THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the UGC has constituted a committee to prepare the feasibility reports for establishing Uniform Academic Calendar in the universities at National Level to enable the free movement of students from one State to another and not intra State. Accordingly, a circular has been issued in March, 2006 by the UGC to 340 Universities to get their feed back. Out of 79 universities who have responded so far, 49 universities are in favour of establishing the Uniform Academic Calendar at National Level.

## Opening of iTIs in Private Sector

- †22. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Planning Commission has given a suggestion to the Ministry of Human Resource Development that permission should; be granted to open I.T.Is, in private sector keeping in view the future technical requirement;
  - (b) if so, the decision taken by Government in this regard; and
  - (c) by when the permission to open I.T.Is in private sector will be granted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) According to the Ministry of Labour & Employment, setting up of new Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) by Government/Private agencies is the sole responsibility of State Government. Permission for opening of an Industrial Training centre (ITC) by private agency is granted by the respective State Government subject to fulfilling of norms and criterion perscribed by National Council of Vocational Training. At present there are 5114 ITIs/ITCs in the country out of which 3218 are private ITCs.

## Promotion of Regional Language By NBT

- †23. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to State:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the role of N.B.T. in propagation and promotion of regional languages have been very dismal;

<sup>†</sup>Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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- (b) whether it is also a fact that Government have not made any efforts for development of Punjabi language in accordance with Rajiv-Longowal agreement;
- (c) if not, the details of the efforts made for Punjabi project during last ten years with special reference to the appointment of employees; and
- (d) the details of the efforts being made for other regional languages, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) No. Sir.
- (c) Information is given in Statement-I 'A' (See below).
- (d) Information is given in Statement-II.

Statement-I
Important Books published by NBT in Punjabi language

SI.No.	Name of the Book	Author/Editor
(i)	Bhagtan Di Bani	Dr. Dharampal Singhal (Ed.)
(ii)	Outstanding Punjabi Literature	Dr. Mohinder Kaur Gill (Ed.)
	upto 15th Century	
(iii)	Outstanding Punjabi Literature of	Dr. Dharampal Singhal (Ed.)
	16th Century	
(iv)	Outstanding Punjabi Literature of	Dr. Darshan Singh (Ed.)
	17th Century	
<b>(v</b> )	Outstanding Punjabi Literature of	Dr. Amarjit Singh Kaang (Ed.)
	18th Century	
(VÌ)	Outstanding Punjabi Literature of	Dr. Haribhajan Singh (Ed.)
	19th Century	
(vii)	Dasam Granth Di Chaunvi Bani	Dr. Seva Singh (Ed.)
(viii)	Crops of Punjab	Dr. Ranjit Singh (Ed.)

Si.No.	Name of the Book	Author/Editor
(ix)	Punjabi Nari Kav	Dr. Vineeta (Ed.)
(x)	Chonvan Punjabi Sufi Klam	Dr. Dharampal Singhal & Dr. Baldev Singh Baddan (Ed.)
(xi)	Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh Kav	Dr. Dharampal Singhal & Dr. Baldev Singh Baddan (Ed.)
(xii)	Mahatma Gandhi Ate Jawaharlal Nehru Kav; Shardhanjli	Dr. Dharampal Singhal & Dr. Baldev Singh Baddan (Ed.)
(xiii)	Punjab De Sant Kavi	Dr. Dharampal Singhal & Dr. Baldev Singh Baddan (Ed.)
(xiv)	Bulle Shah Jiwan Te Rachna	Dr. Harjinder Singh Dhillon (Ed.)
(xv)	Visrya Virsa	Dr. Naresh
(xvi)	Bedian Da Pul (Anthology of Ghazals)	Sulakhan Sarhadi

Statement-II

Titles published in Regional Languages during the year 2003-04 to 2005-06

(Originals, Translations and Revised Editions)

SI.No.	Language	Total
1	Asamiya	17
2	Bangla	20
3	Gujarati	9
4	Kannada	35
5	Malayalam	20
6	Marathi	15
7	Oriya	76
8	Punjabi	53
9	Tamil	18
10	Telugu	11
11	Urdu	35

All these books have been and are being reprinted as and when required.