

Demand for inclusion of languages spoken in Odisha into the 8th Schedule of Constitution

DR. SASMIT PATRA (Odisha): Hon. Vice-Chairman Madam, the Ho, Mundari, Bhumij, Kui, Saora and Kosli/ Sambalpur languages spoken in Odisha are rich with their respective history, legacy, heritage, culture and literature. There are long-standing demands from the people of Odisha speaking these languages, for their inclusion in the 8th Schedule of the Indian Constitution. Despite several letters by then Chief Minister of Odisha to the Government of India and several demands placed in both Houses of Parliament by Members of Parliament, these languages have not yet been included in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution by the Union Government. The Odisha Cabinet has also resolved several times, through unanimous resolutions, for the inclusion of some of these languages in the 8th Schedule. Santhali language has been added to the 8th Schedule, but Ho, Mundari, Bhumij, Kui and Saoara, spoken by millions of tribal brothers and sisters in Odisha, have not been included in it. The Kosli/ Sambalpur language spoken by the brothers and sisters of western Odisha is rich in literature, culture, history and heritage but that has also been kept waiting outside the 8th Schedule. I urge the Government of India to take necessary steps to ensure that Ho, Mundari, Bhumij, Kui, Saora and Kosli/Sambalpur are included in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution. The official recognition of these languages by the Government of India through their inclusion in the 8th Schedule will go a long way in their development and growth.

THE VICE-CHAIRPERSON (MS. KAVITA PATIDAR): The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention made by Dr. Sasmit Patra: Shri M. Shanmugam (Tamil Nadu), Shri A.A. Rahim (Kerala), Shri Niranjan Bishi (Odisha), Dr. V. Sivadasan (Kerala), Shri P. Wilson (Tamil Nadu), Shrimati Sulata Deo (Odisha) and Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla (Tamil Nadu).

Demand for awareness campaign of Central Government schemes through banks

श्री संजय सेठ (उत्तर प्रदेश): उपसभाध्यक्ष महोदया, सरकार ने सबका साथ, सबका विकास, सबका विश्वास के मंत्र के साथ समाज के हर वर्ग के विकास के लिए बहुत सारी योजनाएं शुरू की हैं। बजट 2024 में भी रोजगार, कौशल प्रशिक्षण और अन्य अवसरों की सुविधा उपलब्ध कराने के लिए प्रधान मंत्री जी की पाँच योजनाओं के पैकेज की घोषणा की गई है, जिससे पाँच वर्ष की अवधि में 4.1 करोड़ युवाओं को लाभ होगा। मुद्रा योजना, स्टार्टअप इंडिया, स्टैंड अप इंडिया, प्रधान मंत्री स्वनिधि योजना जैसी विभिन्न योजनाएं हैं, जिससे हर वर्ग के नागरिक लाभान्वित हो सकते हैं।