

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 123  
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**TEACHING OF REGIONAL LANGUAGE IN KENDRIYA VIDYALAYAS**

**123 SHRI ANIL YESHWANT DESAI:**

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether regional languages are compulsorily taught in Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) located in each State;
- (b) whether Marathi language is being taught in class I to XII in the KVs in Maharashtra, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) whether apart from native/regional language, other regional languages are being taught in any KV in the country and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)**

(a) to (c) Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) are opened primarily to cater to the educational needs of the wards of transferable Central Government Employees including Defence & Para-Military personnel, Central Autonomous Bodies, Central Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and Central Institute of Higher Learning (IHL) by providing a common programme of education. So, to ensure uniformity in all the KVs, two languages viz., Hindi and English are taught in classes I-V, three languages are taught in the classes VI-VIII viz., Hindi, English, and Sanskrit and two languages i.e., English and Hindi/Sanskrit in classes IX-X.

KVs are following a common scheme of education as per its mandate, with common syllabus, text books and language so that the students are not inconvenienced when they move from one KV to the other when their parents are transferred. However, as per Article 112 of Education Code for Kendriya Vidyalayas, "additional arrangement for teaching of the regional language/ mother tongue shall be made, provided 15 or more students are willing to opt for the same". Temporary teachers are engaged to teach local/regional languages including Marathi, provided there is a demand and sufficient numbers of student are available.

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