

STATEMENT - 7

GROWTH OF SCHEDULED LANGUAGES - 1971, 1981, 1991, 2001 AND 2011

S. No.	Language	Persons who returned the language as their mother tongue					Decadal percentage increase			
		1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	1971-81	1981-91	1991-2001	2001-2011
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	Assamese	89,59,558	**	1,30,79,696	1,31,68,484	1,53,11,351	**	**	0.68	16.27
2	Bengali	4,47,92,312	5,12,98,319	6,95,95,738	8,33,69,769	9,72,37,669	14.52	35.67	19.79	16.63
3	Bodo	5,56,576	**	12,21,881	13,50,478	14,82,929	**	**	10.52	9.81
4	Dogri	12,99,143	15,30,616	#	22,82,589	25,96,767	17.82	#	#	13.76
5	Gujarati	2,58,65,012	3,30,63,267	4,06,95,370	4,60,91,617	5,54,92,554	27.83	23.08	13.26	20.40
6	Hindi*	20,27,67,971	25,77,49,009	32,95,05,193	42,20,48,642	52,83,47,193	27.12	27.84	28.09	25.19
7	Kannada	2,17,10,649	2,56,97,146	3,27,53,676	3,76,81,520	4,37,06,512	18.36	27.46	15.05	15.99
8	Kashmiri	24,95,487	31,76,975	#	55,27,698	67,97,587	27.31	**	**	22.97
9	Konkani	15,08,432	15,70,108	17,60,607	24,89,015	22,56,502	4.09	12.13	41.37	-9.34
10	Maithili	61,30,026	75,22,265	77,66,921	1,21,79,122	1,35,83,464	22.71	3.25	56.81	11.53
11	Malayalam	2,19,38,760	2,57,00,705	3,03,77,176	3,30,66,392	3,48,38,819	17.15	18.20	8.85	5.36
12	Manipuri \$	7,91,714	9,01,407	12,70,216	14,66,705	17,61,079	13.86	40.91	15.47	20.07
13	Marathi	4,17,65,190	4,94,52,922	6,24,81,681	7,19,36,894	8,30,26,680	18.41	26.35	15.13	15.42
14	Nepali	14,19,835	13,60,636	20,76,645	28,71,749	29,26,168	-4.17	52.62	38.29	1.89
15	Odia	1,98,63,198	2,30,21,528	2,80,61,313	3,30,17,446	3,75,21,324	15.90	21.89	17.66	13.64
16	Punjabi	1,41,08,443	1,96,11,199	2,33,78,744	2,91,02,477	3,31,24,726	39.00	19.21	24.48	13.82
17	Sanskrit	2,212	6,106	49,736	14,135	24,821	176.04	714.54	-71.58	75.60
18	Santali	37,86,899	43,32,511	52,16,325	64,69,600	73,68,192	14.41	20.40	24.03	13.89
19	Sindhi	16,76,875	20,44,389	21,22,848	25,35,485	27,72,264	21.92	3.84	19.44	9.34
20	Tamil	3,76,90,106	**	5,30,06,368	6,07,93,814	6,90,26,881	**	**	14.69	13.54
21	Telugu	4,47,56,923	5,06,24,611	6,60,17,615	7,40,02,856	8,11,27,740	13.11	30.41	12.10	9.63
22	Urdu	2,86,20,895	3,49,41,435	4,34,06,932	5,15,36,111	5,07,72,631	22.08	24.23	18.73	-1.48

Note: * For Hindi the published figures in 1971, 1981 and 1991 differ due to exclusion of Maithili figure from Hindi. Maithili is included in Scheduled Languages in 2001 following the 100th Amendment of the Constitution of India.

** Full figures for Tamil, Assamese and Bodo for 1981 are not available as the census records for Tamil Nadu were lost due to floods and the 1981 census was not be conducted in Assam due to the disturbed conditions then prevailing there. Therefore, the decadal percentage increase of Tamil and Assamese and Bodo are not given.

Full figures for Kashmiri and Dogri for 1991 are not available as the 1991 census was not conducted in Jammu & Kashmir due to disturbed conditions. Therefore, the decadal percentage increase of Kashmiri is not given.

1 The percentage of speakers of each language for 1981 has been worked out on the total population of India excluding the population of Assam where the 1981 Census was not conducted due to disturbed conditions.

2 Full figures for Tamil, Assamese and Bodo for 1981 are not available as the census records for Tamil Nadu were lost due to floods and the 1981 Census could not be conducted in Assam due to the disturbed conditions then prevailing there. Therefore, percentage to total population of Tamil and Assamese are not given.

3 The percentage of speakers of each Language for 1991 has been worked out on the total population of India excluding the population of Jammu & Kashmir where the 1991 Census was not conducted due to disturbed conditions.

4 The percentage of speakers of each language for '2001' has been worked out on the total population of India excluding the population of Mao-Maram, Paomata and Purul subdivisions of Senapati district of Manipur due to cancellation of census results over there.

Full figures for Kashmiri & Dogri language for 1991 are not available as the 1991 Census was not conducted in Jammu & Kashmir due to disturbed conditions.

\$ Excludes figures of Paomata, Mao-Maram and Purul sub-divisions of Senapati district of Manipur for 2001.

@ Maithili figure has been extracted from Hindi language from 1971 census to 1991 census since it was one of the mother tongues grouped under Hindi during the period.