

Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology (CSTT)

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About Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology:

- It was set up in December 1960, with the objective to **evolve and define scientific and technical terms in Hindi** and all Indian languages.
- It was established under **clause (4) of Article 344** of the Constitution of India.
- It is functioning under the Department **of Higher Education**, Ministry of Education, Government of India with its **headquarters at New Delhi**.
- **Primary Function:** Evolve standard terminology, propagate its use and distribute it widely.
- **Other functions:**
 - Preparation and Publication of **Bilingual and Trilingual Glossaries** involving English/Hindi and other Indian Languages.
 - Preparation and Publication of National terminology.
 - Identification and **Publication of School Level Terminology** and Departmental Glossaries.
 - Identification of Pan Indian Terms.
 - Preparation of Definitional Dictionaries and Encyclopaedias.

- Preparation of University level textbooks, monographs and journals.
- Grant-in-Aid to Granth Academies, Textbook Boards and University Cells for University level books in regional languages.
- Propagation, expansion and critical review of terms coined and defined through training/orientation programmes, workshops, seminars etc.
- Providing necessary terminology to the **National Translation Mission**.

Recent initiative of Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology

- It has launched the **web portal 'shabd.education.gov.in'** aims to be a central repository for all the terminologies prepared for Indian languages.
 - Besides all the glossaries of CSTT, other institutions or agencies having such dictionaries are also able to host their work in digital form on this platform.
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Q1: What is the National Translation Mission (NTM)?

It is a Government of India scheme to establish translation as an industry in general and to facilitate higher education by making knowledge texts accessible to students and academics in Indian languages in particular. The vision is to create a knowledge society by transcending language barriers. NTM aims to disseminate knowledge in all Indian languages listed in the VIII schedule of the Constitution through translation.

Source: [Government launches website with technical terms in 22 official Indian languages](#)

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