

**QUESTION DETAILS**

MINISTRY OF : SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

**RAJYA SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 3638

TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2019

Report on sub categorisation of OBCs

3638. Shri G.C. Chandrashekar

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government has constituted a Commission to examine subcategorisation of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) into three sub-categories on the basis of how much benefit they have got from quotas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Commission has submitted its report to Government, if so, the details thereof and if not, the timeline of report submission;
- (d) whether Government is planning to scrap the provision of creamy layer in OBC reservation; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI KRISHAN PAL GURJAR)

(a) to (c): The Government has constituted a four-member Commission headed by Justice (Retd.) G. Rohini, Chief Justice (Retd.), Delhi High Court on 2nd October, 2017 under article 340 of the Constitution to examine the issues of the sub-categorization of Other Backward Classes with the following terms of reference:

- (i) to examine the extent of inequitable distribution of benefits of reservation among the castes or communities included in the broad category of Other Backward Classes with reference to such classes included in the Central List;
- (ii) to work out the mechanism, criteria, norms and parameters in a scientific approach for sub-categorisation within such Other Backward Classes; and
- (iii) to take up the exercise of identifying the respective castes or communities or sub-castes or synonyms in the Central List of Other Backward Classes and classifying them into their respective sub-categories.

The Commission has not submitted its final report to the Government. The term of the Commission has been extended from time to time and is at present upto 31.07.2019.

(d) and (e): At present, no such proposal is under consideration.

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