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Title: Regarding inclusion of Kunchitiga community under OBC category in Karnataka.

SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ (TUMKUR): Ever since the historic Mandal Commission Report was accepted for broader implementation of the centre's Reservation Policy on weaker and down trodden sections of the community, the dominant Vokkaliga Community in Karnataka has already secured the inclusion under the Central OBC Community. However, injustice is still meted out to Kunchitiga Community who are still pleading for the legitimate inclusion of their caste under OBC category for Karnataka. The Government of Karnataka has already recommended to the Centre that Kunchitiga, a sub-sect of Vokkaliga community be included in the Central List of OBC for the State of Karnataka. This is backed by an ethnographic study report by D. Devaraja Urs Research Institute, Bangalore justifying the inclusion of Kunchitiga Community in the OBC list of Karnataka. The Kunchitiga Community is known to produce intellectuals in the realm of teaching, administration and such other professions. The matter is still pending with the Centre. I urge the Centre in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment to consider approving the proposal of the Government of Karnataka as pleaded above.