

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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REVIEW OF COMMISSION'S WORKING FOR RESERVATION TO EBCs

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

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the working of the Commission set up to provide reservation quota in Government jobs for people belonging to Economically Backward Classes (EBCs) not covered by the existing Reservation Policy;

(b) if so, the progress report in this regard; and

(c) the time by which the said Commission is likely to submit its report and the same is to be implemented in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a), (b) & (c) The Government set up a Commission to provide reservation quota in Government jobs, for people belonging to economically backward classes not covered by the existing Reservation Policy, on 6.1.2004 for a period of one year. The Commission was to submit its report within this period. The Chairperson and three members were appointed on 26.1.2004. However, the Chairperson and one Member have submitted their resignations and these have been accepted. So far the Commission has held several meetings to deliberate on the issues contained in the terms of reference. A public notice inviting opinion/suggestions of members of public and other concerned organizations has been published in major dailies. The State Governments/UTs have been requested to highlight issues relevant to the terms of reference of the Commission and also to appoint nodal officers.