

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1226
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INCLUSION OF THACHAR COMMUNITY IN SCs LIST
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any proposal to approve Thachar Community in Kerala as Scheduled Caste; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) The proposal of Government of Kerala to include Thachar (other than Carpenter) in the list of Scheduled Castes of Kerala has been sent to the National Commission for Scheduled Castes for their Comments. Since the proposals are processed in consultation with the Registrar General of India and the National Commission for Scheduled Castes. It is not possible to indicate any time frame for taking final decision.