

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2802
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INCLUSION OF JHODIA COMMUNITY IN STs LIST
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Orissa had recommended Jhodia community for inclusion as Scheduled Tribe in the STs List;
- (b) if so, the reasons for non-inclusion of this community so far; and
- (c) the time by which the said community is likely to be given the Status of Scheduled Tribe?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH)

(a) to (c) Yes Sir. The proposal for inclusion of Jhodia tribes as Synonyms of Paroja has been received in this Ministry from the State Government of Orissa for inclusion in the ST list. The proposal is to be processed as per the approved modalities and as such has been sent to the Registrar General of India for comments. No specific time schedule can however, be indicated as the matter involves consultation with the State Government, Registrar General of India and the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes.