

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:113
ANSWERED ON:01.03.2005
RECOGNITION OF TRIBAL COMMUNITIES IN PONDICHERRY
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the tribal population in pondicherry at present;
- (b) whether these communities are not declared as tribal communities;
- (c) whether the Government of Pondicherry has requested to the Union Government to recognize some of the communities as tribal communities in the Union Territory;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to include such communities in the List of Scheduled Tribes; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) As per 2001 Census, there is no tribal population in Pondicherry.
- (b) to (f) The Union Territory of Pondicherry has submitted a proposal for inclusion of some communities in the list of Scheduled Tribes in the Union Territory of Pondicherry. The proposal has been processed as per the approved modalities.