

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2147

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CASTE BASED CENSUS

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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the economic, socioeconomic and caste based census is being conducted in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the names of the States where the said census has been completed/not completed;
- (c) the reasons for the delay in completing the census and publishing of the data on the caste based census;
- (d) whether the Government has fixed a dead line of 15th March, 2015; and
- (e) whether Central assistance is likely to be discontinued if the said census is not completed on or before 15th March, 2015 and if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The Ministry of Rural Development had launched a combined Socio Economic and Caste Census (SECC) in 2011. The SECC

2011 is being carried out by the respective State Governments and Union Territory Administrations with the financial and technical support from Government of India. The Ministry of Rural Development and Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation are the nodal Ministries in the Government of India. The Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner, India has given technical support. Status of SECC 2011 as on 2nd March, 2015 is given as Annexure.

(c): The delay in timely completion of the Socio Economic and Caste Census is mainly due to the following factors:-

- (i) Technical and operational problems.
- (ii) Manpower problems.
- (iii) Assembly and Parliament elections.

(d) & (e): No, Madam.