

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

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EMPLOYMENT TO OBCS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand for employment has increased among the Other Backward Classes (OBCs) as compared to other classes/category; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) Yes

(b) The Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) has provided the following data regarding representation of various social groups in employment as under:

S.No. Year SC ST OBC UR

1.	2007	497978	193978	196236	1955773
2.	2008	538834	214057	390286	1932145
3.	2009	525264	219765	410948	1904583
4.	2010	518890	222556	447717	1825431

Similarly, as per the National Sample Survey Report No. 543 of MoSPI (2009-10) regarding Worker Population Ratios (WPRs) of various groups and castes, it has been found that there is a general increase of OBCs population share in employment.

Many schemes etc. are being operated by the various Ministries/ Department of the Government of India for the welfare & upliftment of the OBCs. The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment is also providing concessional loans to the OBCs through the National Backward Classes finance and Development Corporation, to enable them to be self-employed. The Ministry is also giving financial assistance to NGOs which are engaged in imparting technical trainings to the OBCs, with a view to make them self-employed.