

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1064  
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SC/ST PERCENTAGE IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE  
MADHAVRAO SCINDIA

**Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) the percentage of population of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country and the percentage of posts in class I, II and III of Union Government are held by Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes as on date; and

(b) the details of achievements of action plan launched in 1980 to fill up backlog vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE) (a) As per 1991 census figures, the percentage of population of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the country was 16.48% and 8.08% respectively. As per information received from most of the Ministries/Departments, the representation of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Group A, B and C Central Govt. services on 1-1-1998 was as under:-

Group SC (%) ST (%)

A	10.38	3.21
B	11.73	2.68
C	15.99	5.95

(b): Action plan viz. Special Recruitment Drives for filling up the backlog of SC/ST reserved vacancies was launched in 1989 and not in 1980. In all, six Special Recruitment Drives to clear the backlog of vacancies reserved for SCs/STs were held between 1989 and 1996. A total of 1,35,453 posts reserved for SCs/STs were filled in through these Special Recruitment Drives.