

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:533  
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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION  
Basavaraj Shri Gangasandra Siddappa;Sule Supriya

**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether Sachar Committee recommended to constitute Equal Opportunity Commission (EOC) to look into the grievances of the deprived groups;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has set up EOC; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the time by which the Government is likely to constitute such Commission?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT(D. NAPOLEON)

(a) Yes, Madam/Sir.

(b) & (c) An expert group was set up on 31.08.2007 to examine and determine the structure and functions of an Equal Opportunity Commission (EOC). The Expert Group submitted its report on 13.3.2008 and the proposal of setting up of EOC is under active consideration.