

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

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MISERABLE CONDITION OF DALIT WOMEN
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the condition of dalits specially dalit womens in the country is miserable according to World Social Status Report by United Nations;
- (b) if so, whether report places India even below the Bangladesh with regard to development of dalits;
- (c) if so, the details of the report and reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) the details of action being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI D. NAPOLEON)

(a) to (d) The report is one of the publications of United Nations, which is not inter-governmentally negotiated or acknowledged. The report has not used any official statistics or reports.

However the Government is implementing several Schemes for the social, educational and economic empowerment of Scheduled Castes in the country.