

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

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

- (a) whether the condition of dalits particularly dalit women in India remains a matter of concern as per the UN report on 'The World Social Situation';
- (b) whether India is lagging behind even Bangladesh in the case of upliftment of dalits as per the said report;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the rank of India among other countries; and
- (d) the reaction of the Government thereto and the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRID. 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.