GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the population, including Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes separately in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government maintains data in respect of the population of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in the country;
- (c) if so, the details of OBC population in the country, State-wise; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI JITENDRA SINGH)

(a) to (d): The Office of the Registrar General & Census Commissioner, India in the M/o Home Affairs conducts decadal Population Census wherein data on total population as also on Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are collected. The data on Other Backward Classes (OBCs) is not collected in Population Census.

The Provisional results of Population Census 2011 have been released which include total population, 0-6 age group population and literacy upto district level. Similar data in respect of cities with one lakh and above population has also been released. Data on SC/ST alongwith other characteristics are likely to be released by April 2013. However, State-wise Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes population as per Census 2001 are at Annexure-I & II respectively.

As per the estimates of 61st round survey (July 2004-June 2005) conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, the proportions of persons belonging to the categories ST, SC and OBC at all-India level were 84; 197 and 411 per thousand respectively. A Statement giving State-wise per 1000 distribution of persons belonging to different social groups including ST, SC & OBC is at Annexure-III.