

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PLANNING  
LOK SABHA**

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IMPLEMENTATION OF SC ST RELATED SCHEMES

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**Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether a Working Group constituted by the Planning Commission has recommended rationalization/consolidation of existing schemes/programmes for Scheduled Caste(SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) their effective implementation;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND PLANNING (SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA)

(a) to (c): The Working Group on "Empowerment of Scheduled Castes" and the Working Group on "Empowerment of Scheduled Tribes" for formulation of Twelfth Five Year Plan, constituted by Planning Commission in their recommendations have inter-alia suggested strategies for effective implementation of various schemes/programmes for welfare, empowerment and development of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. These strategies have been incorporated in Chapter "Social Inclusion" of the 12th Plan Documents.