

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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UPLIFTMENT OF KORVA COMMUNITY
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has maintained the data with regard to the population of 'Korva Community' of Odisha which belongs to the most backward classes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including those below the poverty line; and
- (c) the details of schemes formulated and implemented by the Government specifically for the socio- economic and educational upliftment of this community?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI P. BALRAM NAIK)

(a) & (b) : No such data is maintained. 'Korva' caste/community has not been included in the Central list of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) for the State of Odisha.

(c); In the Central List of OBCs, there is no categorization of Other Backward Classes as Backward Classes and Most Backward Classes. However, this Ministry is implementing the following schemes for the welfare of OBCs:

- i. Pre-Matric Scholarships to OBC Students. ii. Post-Matric Scholarships to OBC Students. iii. Construction of Hostels for OBC Boys and Girls. iv. Assistance to Voluntary Organizations for the Welfare of OBCs.