

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3393

ANSWERED ON:30.08.2013

INCLUSION OF CASTES FROM CHHATTISGARH IN STS LIST

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**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether any proposal for inclusion of castes like Mallah, Nonia, Kewat, Kahar, Mali, Kachhi, Marar, Lohar, Nishad to the list of Scheduled Tribes (STs) have been received from Government of Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government for their inclusion in the STs list?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SMT. RANEE NARAH)

(a): No Madam. No proposal for inclusion of castes like Mallah, Nonia, Kewat, Kahar, Mali, Kachhi, Marar, Lohar, Nishad to the list of Scheduled Tribes (STs) has been received from Government of Chhattisgarh in this Ministry.

(b) & (c): In view of (a) above, does not arise.