

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1175  
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Inclusion under OBC Category  
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to include Sistakaranam caste which is a backward class in Andhra Pradesh under OBC category; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI KRISHAN PAL GURJAR)

(a) & (b): No proposal for inclusion of "Sistakaranam" caste/community in the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh is pending in this Ministry at present.

The Government of India notifies castes/communities in the Central List of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) for different States/Union Territories on examining the advice tendered by the National Commission for Backward Classes under Section 9(1) of the NCBC Act, 1993.

The issue of inclusion of caste/community "Sistakaranam" was considered by the NCBC and was rejected vide Advice No.A.P./36-37/98 dated 16.11.1998.