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Title : Need to provide reservation to OBCs in Higher Educational Institutions and reservation in the Private Sector jobs.

SHRI M. APPADURAI (TENKASI): Caste system is very much alive and ingrained in the minds of the people and its practice is in vogue in the country though the upwardly mobile middle class society live in a world of their own as though there is already a level playing field. Even after 58 years of Independence, the socially and educationally backward classes have not got reservation in Central universities and higher education institutions like IIT and IIM. When Government jobs are not forthcoming due to downsizing, it is necessary to ensure reservation for OBC's in the private sector. While taking belated steps in this regard, there is a mad rush of ill informed opposition against the right measures of social justice. Hence, I urge upon the Social Empowerment Ministry and the HRD Ministry to evolve curriculum and training methods to educate our youth on the need to establish a compassionate and right-minded society which will render justice to the backward class people of this country who have all along been contributing as working class to the growth of economy, assets, culture and social life in this country. It is high time these voiceless deprived masses, exploited down the centuries, are rendered justice.