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Title: Need to fill the backlog vacancies of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in all the Government Departments.

SHRI R. DHARUVANARAYANA (CHAMRAJANAGAR): Sir, thank you very much for giving me an opportunity to raise an important issue regarding backlog vacancies for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the Central Government Departments.

As per the Survey Reports, in 2008, there were 75,522 backlog vacancies; 44,427 direct recruitment quota; and 31,095 promotion quotas lying vacant. A Special Recruitment Drive was launched in the year 2008, and extended up to 31st March 2012.

As of now, 28,508 posts have been filled and still, there are 15,838 posts which are lying vacant.

My humble request to the Government, through you, Sir, is to please initiate a robust and time-bound recruitment drive to fill the identified backlog vacancies so as to provide social justice to the downtrodden sections of the society. Thank you.

SHRI PONNAM PRABHAKAR : Sir, I would like to associate myself with the issue raised by the hon. Member.

सभापति महोदय : अगर आप माननीय सदस्य द्वारा उठाए गए विषय से अपने को संबद्ध करना चाहते हैं तो लिख कर दें।

Hon. Members, Shri Ponnamp Prabhakar, Shri K.P. Dhanapalan and Shri Suresh Kumar Shetkar are permitted to associate themselves with the issue raised by the hon. Member.