Title: Need to provide a special quota in Government trade and business for people belonging to SCs/ STs communities.

SHRI LALIT MOHAN SUKLABAIDYA (KARIMGANJ): It is well known that the reservation in Government jobs for SC/ST hardly solved the unemployment problems of the growing numbers of unemployed youth in the SC/ST communities. In the absence of any alternative income facilities, the young boys and girls who are also qualified keep their hope on employment prospects. Many social problems are rooted to this unemployment situation in our country.

There is a proposal of giving SCs/STs preference in Government purchases keeping a specific quota for them which could encourage the entrepreneurship spirit and give them alternative means of livelihood.

I urge the Government to be kind enough to expedite in this very important matter which has the potential in providing livelihood to many young boys and girls in the SCs/STs community like self-employment, trading, manufacturing in direct and indirect manner.