

Sixteenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding granting of Scheduled Tribe status to six communities of Assam - Laid.

SHRI RAMESHWAR TELI (DIBRUGARH): The six communities in Assam namely Moran, Motok, Chutiya, Koch Rajbangshi, Tai Ahom and the Tea tribes have been agitating for a long time demanding ST status. While the Union Cabinet has approved the proposal for granting of ST status to these six ethnic communities, the necessary legislation to this effect is yet to be passed by the Parliament.

I, therefore, request the Government to take necessary steps to grant ST status to these six communities in Assam as soon as possible as the granting of ST status would go a long way in protecting their land and political rights.