

**Sixteenth Loksabha**

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Title: Regarding inclusion of Boya Community in ST category.

**SHRIMATI BUTTA RENUKA (KURNOOL):** Thank you, Madam Speaker. This is regarding a community called 'Boya Community' in my constituency. Their demand and request are that their community should be included in the ST community. ...(*Interruptions*)

Madam, this is a very genuine request from the community. The entire community is being divided into different categories. In North, they are being recognised as SCs and in some places, they are recognised as STs. Especially in Andhra Pradesh, only in the plain areas, they are recognised as OBC. But, in remaining places, they have got the category of SC and ST. ...(*Interruptions*)

So, this is the demand which they have been requesting. Our State Government has already passed the Bill in the Assembly and sent it to the Central Government, but this is pending with the RGI.

I request the Central Government to take this initiative and include them in the ST category. ...(*Interruptions*)