GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 6331 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2018

CASTE CENSUS

6331. SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN:

Will the Minister of **RURAL DEVELOPMENT** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Other Backward Classes (OBCs) have been included under SocioEconomic and Caste Census;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the starting and ending year of the census; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to publish the Census of OBCs and if so, the time by which it is likely to be published and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a)to(c): The Socio Economic and Caste Census 2011 (SECC 2011) was conducted through a comprehensive programme involving the Ministry of Rural Development, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, the Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner (ORGI), Ministry of Home Affairs and State Governments / UT Administrations. The Caste and Tribe enumeration was conducted under the jurisdiction of office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner India. The office of Registrar General and Census Commissioner (RG&CC) has handed over the caste enumeration return in SECC- 2011 to the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and Ministry of Tribal Affairs to classify these Caste / Tribe return. Ministry of Rural Development has no jurisdiction on the publication of caste data. The SECC has been completed on 31.03.2016.
