

(b) whether Government has formulated any plan to create jobs for these unemployed youths every year; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH) : (a) Number of job seekers who have passed Intermediate class (10+2), all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed, registered with employment exchanges as reported by States/Union territory administrations was 94.84 lakh in the country as on 31st December 2010. As per National Sample Survey conducted during 2009-10, out of 1000 unemployed youth in the age group of 15-29 years, 168 persons were unemployed with the educational level of higher secondary on usual status basis.

(b) and (c) To promote creation of more jobs in order to reduce unemployment, Government has taken variety of steps like encouraging private investment in various sectors of economy, fast tracking various approvals for projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like Swaranajayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY); Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP); Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) now restructured as National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), besides entrepreneurial development programmes run by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises. To increase employability among youth, Government is also focusing on skill development in a big way and has set up National Skill Development Agency to coordinate action among Central Ministries in this context. Government has set target for skilling 5 crore people during 12th Plan period.

#### **Status of Kurumba community in Tamil nadu**

1514. SHRI T.K. RANGARAJAN : Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the status of Kurumba Community in Tamil Nadu; .

(b) whether it is a fact that they are declared as BC/OBC/ST in various parts of the State of Tamil Nadu; and

(c) whether there is any proposal from Government to declare the entire community as Scheduled Tribe?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI PORIKA BALRAM NAIK) : (a) to (c) 'Kurumba' (where they are not Scheduled tribes) caste/community has been included in the Central List of Other Backward Classes for the State Tamil Nadu at Entry No. 84. The 'Kurumba' community as Scheduled Tribe has not been notified in the list of STs of Tamil Nadu. However, "Kurumbas community (in the Nilgiris district)" is listed at S.No.17 in the list of Scheduled Tribes of Tamil Nadu State.

As per the modalities approved by the Government on 15.06.1999 and further revised on 25.06.2012 for deciding claims for inclusion in, exclusion from and other modifications in the orders specifying Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes lists, the proposal for inclusion of 'Kurumba' along with other communities by the Government of Tamil Nadu as synonym of 'Kurumans' Scheduled Tribes of Tamil Nadu was not supported by the Registrar General of India.

#### **Reservation of castes in Uttarakhand**

†1515. SHRI MAHENDRA SINGH MAHRA : Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state :

- (a) the name-wise list of the different castes found in Uttarakhand;
- (b) whether request has been received from the State to extend reservation to some more castes;
- (c) if not, whether Government would accept the request of the State Government;
- (d) whether all the reserved castes of the State are getting the benefit of reservation as per separate proportion;
- (e) if so, the caste-wise list of tribes getting the benefit of reservation; and
- (f) the details of the number of households and population of Vanrawat caste in the State for the last ten years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT) : (a) List of castes notified as Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in relation to the State of Uttarakhand is given in the Statement (*See below*)

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.