

## INCLUSION OF CASTES IN OBC LISTS

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Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

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Inclusion of castes/communities in the Central List of OBCs is a continuous process. Proposals have been received from various States during the years 2016, 2017 and 2018 for inclusion of castes/communities in the Central List of OBCs. The State-wise and year-wise status is given below. At present, no proposal for inclusion of caste/community from State/UT is pending with the Government.

The National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) constituted w.e.f. 15.08.2018 by insertion of new article viz. article 338B in the Constitution, similar to article 338, applicable for National Commission for Scheduled Castes and article 338A applicable for National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, would have the powers and responsibilities that of NCSC for SCs and NCST for STs including power to advice on inclusion in the Central List of OBCs.

No such advice received from erstwhile National Commission for Backward Classes is pending with the Government. The Commission to Examine Sub-categorization of Other Backward Classes is mandated to submit its report by 31.05.2019.\_

#### Statement showing State-wise & year-wise status of processing of proposals for inclusion of castes/communities in the Central list of OBCs during the last three years

State	No. of Entry	Status
<b>2016</b>		
Andhra Pradesh	09	Included in the Central List of OBC
Bihar	02	Included in the Central List of OBC
Jharkhand	05	Included in the Central List of OBC
Jammu & Kashmir	02	Included in the Central List of OBC
Maharashtra	01	Included in the Central List of OBC

Madhya Pradesh	11	Included in the Central List OBC
Uttarakhand	02	Included in the Central List OBC
Telangana	86	Included in the Central List OBC

**2017 and 2018**

No advice received from erstwhile NCBC on the proposals/requests is pending with Government.

An 'entry' for this purpose includes caste, its synonyms and sub-castes

This information was given by Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Krishan Pal Gurjar in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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