

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL FURTHER TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION (SCHEDULED TRIBES) ORDER, 1950 TO INCLUDE CERTAIN COMMUNITIES IN THE LIST OF THE SCHEDULED TRIBES IN RELATION TO THE STATE OF ASSAM.

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1. Gist of Bill: On the basis of recommendation of State of Assam, it is proposed to amend the Schedule to the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950 relating to Assam, to grant Scheduled Tribe status to the communities, namely,

1. Chutiya
2. Matak
3. Moran
4. Koch Rajbongshi
5. Tai Ahom

6. Mal Paharia	
7. Kwar	
8. Lodha	
9. Baiga	
10. Nagasia	
11. Bhil	
12. Gorait	
13. Halba	
14. Majwar	
15. Dhanwar	
16. Asur	
17. Pradhan	
18. Khond	

19. Korwa	
20. Kherwar	
21. Chero	
22. Koya	
23. Birhor	
24. Parja	
25. Mirdha	
26. Kishan	
27. Chik Baraik	
28. Kol	
29. Saora	
30. Birjia	
31. Damdari	
32. Bonda	
33. Mahli	
34. Shabar	
35. Kharia	
36. Gond	
37. Munda	
38. Oraon	
39. Bedia	
40. Santal	
41. Bhumij	

2. Background: The first specification of Scheduled Tribes in relation to a particular State or Union territory is by a notified Order of the President, after consultation with the State Government / UT concerned. Any subsequent inclusion in or exclusion from and other modifications in the list of Scheduled Tribes can be made only through an amending Act of Parliament.

3. Major Impact: This will fulfill the long term demand of the above communities for granting Scheduled Tribes status to them in the State of Assam. The persons belonging to the above communities will be eligible to get the Scheduled Tribe certificate from the State of Assam and will also be eligible for all benefits meant for the Scheduled Tribes in the State.

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