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communities coming under the term
'Depressed classes' were grouped
in one list. In 1935 a further
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of eight communities were removed
from the list. No comprehensive
revision of the list has been made
after 1935.

1. Agaimudaiya
2. Kailas
3. Kanna
4. Kammalan
5. Kaimandal
6. Lungayat
7. Telaga
8. Velana

(b) the year during which it
is likely to be revised next?

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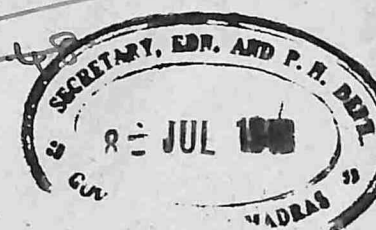
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QUESTION No. 78

for the meeting of the Legislative Council

to be held on the

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Two copies of this question are forwarded to the E.&P.H. Department.

The question has been admitted.

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The E.&P.H. Department

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page 1 CF Please see the L.A. question in the CF.
 page 1 CF. It is a repetition of question no. 893 put by the
 of file III same member (Mr. S. Nagaraja Manigar, M.L.A.)
 to some time ago. That question lapsed due to the
 prorogation of the Assembly. But in that file the
 vide pages question of the 2nd revision of the list of backward
 2-5 NF classes has been dealt with at length.
 File III A draft answer is submitted. May be
 circulated to H.M. (Edn) for approval.

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Please see the draft reply to
the Legislative Assembly question No. 105 clause (a)
in the Landed file. Since it is proposed to
answer that the Govt. do not intend revising the
list of backward classes under Rule 92 of the
R.F.R. It is for notice whether the answer to
clause (b) of the answer in the file should
not be "There is no proposal at present" / May be this
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The draft answer as amended

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List of backward communities.

* 65 Q.—SRI S. NAGARAJA MANIGAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) the year during which the list of backward communities was last revised; and

(b) the year during which it is likely to be revised next?

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"(a) The list of backward classes was revised in 1913. The list was again revised in 1925 when the communities coming under the term 'Depressed classes' were grouped in one list. In 1935 a further revision of the list was undertaken with reference to the list of untouchables in the Schedule to the White Paper on Indian Constitutional Reforms. It was decided that instead of 'Depressed classes' the term Scheduled castes should be used and that the Scheduled castes should include only these castes specified in the Schedule to the White Paper. The next major revision was made in 1940. No comprehensive revision of the list has been made after 1935."

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"(b) There is no proposal at present."

SRI S. NAGARAJA MANIGAR:—"Have the Government considered the desirability of amending the list comprehensively after its coming into power?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"It is only recently that the matter has been taken up and some time must elapse before the matter can be taken up once more."

ABDUL HAMEED KHAN SAHIB BAHADUR:—"May I know the basis on which the classification has been made, whether it is on the basis of economic condition of the people or on the religious basis?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"Mostly on the economic basis; under present social conditions certain communities are backward and both have been combined in this."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN:—"In view of the fact that certain backward communities have been elevated from the time of the last revision, will the Government consider the revision so as to include only the backward communities?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"Some time must elapse before another revision is made; the last revision was in 1940 and some time must elapse before a second revision can be made."

M. MUHAMMAD ISMAIL SAHIB BAHADUR:—"May I know what the time is that the Hon. Minister has in his mind which he considers must elapse before another revision can be made. I find here that almost ten years have elapsed from the time of the last revision?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"I do not fix any time. But ten or twelve years may be reasonable."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN:—"Is not a period of eight years long enough, Sir, to make a revision of the list?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"But previously it took much more time; normally the revision is not done year by year but by decades."

SRI KALLUR SUBBA RAO:—"Is the Hon. Minister aware, Sir, the Valmiki have been included under Scheduled classes in some districts but in some other districts they have been classified as high caste Non-Brahmans?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—

"That is an individual question about which I must have separate notice."

SRI V. RAGHAVAYYA:—"Is it not a fact, Sir, that under the classification of Non-Brahmans, Reddis and Kammas in the Andhra and Mudaliyars, Nayudus and Naickers in the Tamilnad

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have been taking away most of the seats in colleges and jobs under Government and in view of that may I know if the Government propose to set apart a definite minimum, say, up to or even more than 70 per cent for the listed backward communities?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"That is another matter which has to be addressed to the Public Department."

ABDUL HAMEED KHAN SAHIB BAHADUR:—"May I know, Sir, what is the political, social or economic advantages that are derived by the communities by this classification?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"So far as educational institutions are concerned, they are given half-fee concessions in colleges and certain scholarships are also available to them."

SRI V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAY:—"In revising the list in the future, will the Government take the members of this House belonging to the backward and scheduled classes into confidence and revise the list?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"I do not know if it can be done; but I will certainly consider whether public opinion cannot be taken in the matter when the revision is taken up."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN:—"In view of the fact that considerable anxiety has been felt by members of the backward communities of this House over this matter, will the Government consider the desirability of meeting the Members of the House and consulting them and decide the matter?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"Most of the backward communities which hon. Members have in mind have been included in the list and there is nothing else to be done about it but representations might, however, be put in and they will be considered."

M. MUHAMMAD ISMAIL SAHIB BAHADUR:—"Is the Hon. Minister aware that the number 160 has been more than once mentioned as being the backward communities and that these communities must be treated as such?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"I find that under the Madras Education Rules the number is 154."

N. MUHAMMAD ANWAR SAHIB BAHADUR:—"May I know, Sir, which were the communities that were added to the list and which deleted from the list during the revision of 1940 and whether Kapus have been deleted from the list?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
"I would like to have separate notice for that question, Sir."

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SRI K. BOKKAI GOWDER:—"Is the Hon. Minister aware, Sir, that many students belonging to backward communities who have been seeking admission in colleges where merit and very high marks were the prime factors for consideration, had been refused admission and if so, may I know, Sir, what the Government propose to do to ameliorate their condition?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"It does not arise from this question."

MR. L. C. PAIS:—"May I know, Sir, whether members of certain backward communities are likely to lose any of the concessions they are entitled to merely because of their conversion to some other faith?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"I am unable to say what the legal effect of their conversion will be."

SRI S. C. BALAKRISHNAN:—"Are the Government aware, Sir, that there are certain non-untouchable communities included in the list and might I ask whether during the revision such communities will be excluded?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"I think Sir, when the list will be revised, it will be time enough for hon. Members to make their representations either for or against the inclusion of any particular community."

SRI A. KAMESWARA RAO:—"May I know under what community Brahmosamajists and Aryasamajists come; do they come under backward communities?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"The hon. Member might put a separate question."

SRI S. NAGARAJA MANIGAR:—"The list was revised eight years ago during the Advisers' regime; now that the popular Government has come into power who are wedded to protect the interests of backward communities, is it not now necessary to undertake a comprehensive revision of the old list?"

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—"There are so many other things to be done and it will be taken up in due time. Usually it has been ten years and we may call for representations, and if any representations are made now they will be filed and considered when the matter is taken up for revision."

SRI S. NAGAPPA:—"May I know, Sir, whether the Government see any objection to form one group combining the backward communities and the scheduled classes and give them their quota in respect of jobs and concessions on the basis of their population?"

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THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
“No purpose will be served by going into the records, when we take up this classification after sometime: we will try to do what we can in the matter.”

N. MUHAMMAD ANWAR SAHIB BAHADUR:—“To avoid unpleasant distinctions being made by calling backward community and Scheduled Caste, may I request the Government, for the purpose of classification, under rule 97 of the Madras Educational Rules, to prepare a list called listed communities, consisting of communities that are eligible for educational concessions?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
“I am unable to accept the suggestion as it is a matter which will have to be considered deeply.”

SRI KALLUR SUBBA RAO:—“Sir, if this classification is made on the economic basis, why not the Government make a classification of all communities that are economically backward?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
“We cannot make such a list.”

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN:—“May I request the Government to prepare a list of all backward communities districtwar, giving the population of each community, as also the number of persons in each community who are educated?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
“It will be a tremendous work and the result achieved will not be commensurate with the expenditure and labour involved in preparing the list.”

SRI B. ANANTHACHAR:—“May I know, whether the Government are trying to work a scheme for the backward areas or districts as in the case of backward communities?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
“We have already got a list and money has been allotted for the tribes for elementary education.”

SRI K. BOKKAI GOWDER:—“Will the Government create a separate department to look after the welfare of the backward tribes?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
“There is already a separate department for that called the Labour Department.”

SRI ALLURI SATYANARAYANA RAJU:—“May I know, whether Koyyas and Konda Reddis of the partially excluded areas come under the backward tribes?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
“I have more than once said that questions relating to individual or individual communities cannot be answered in a general question. A separate question may be put.”

SRI K. LINGA RAJU:—“May I know whether the Government have put a time limit, after which time they can drop this word ‘backward community?’” (Laughter.)

SRI N. VENKATASUBBAYYA:—“Arising out of the answer to Mr. Anantachar’s question, may I ask what special concessions or privileges have been extended to the students coming from backward tracts?”

THE HON. SRI T. S. AVINASHILINGAM CHETTIYAR:—
“Even though they receive less marks, a certain number of students have been admitted from each district from such communities.”

EXPENDITURE

Please see LA question at p. 10. The question was answered vide extract of printed proceedings at pages 2-10 above. No further action seems called for.

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