

The undersigned is directed to say that it has been decided, with the approval of Prime Minister, to constitute a Cabinet Committee on Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and Minorities with the following composition :-

COMPOSITION

Prime Minister.
Shri Balwant Singh Ramoowalia,
Minister of Welfare.
Shri Indrajit Gupta,
Minister of Home Affairs.
Shri M. Arunachalam,
Minister of Labour.
Shri P. Chidambaram,
Minister of Finance.
Shri S.R. Bommai,
Minister of Human Resource Development.
Shri Yerran Naidu K,
Minister of Rural Areas and Employment.
Capt. Jai Narayan Prasad Nishad,
Minister of State (Independent charge)
of the Ministry of Environment and
Forests.
Dr. U. Venkateswarlu,
Minister of State in the Ministry of
Urban Affairs and Employment and
Minister of State in the Ministry of
Parliamentary Affairs.

Special Invitee

Prof. Madhu Dandavate,
Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission.

2. The terms of reference of this Committee shall be as follows :-

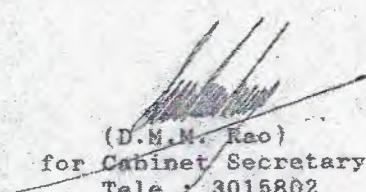
- (i) All matters pertaining to the protection of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Minorities, especially their protection against any violation of their life, liberty, property and other rights.
- (ii) All matters concerning elimination of exploitation of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Minorities.

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- (iii) All matters relating to the socio-economic development programmes aimed at bridging the gap between the SCs, STs and Minorities and the rest of Society in a time-bound manner.


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