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LOK SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in Lok Sabha on the 15th April, 1965:—

BILL No. 27 of 1965

A Bill further to amend the Constitution of India.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Sixteenth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Constitution (Amendment) Act, 1965. Short title.
2. After article 339 of the Constitution, the following article shall be inserted, namely:—
Insertion of new article 339A.

“339A. (1) The President may at any time and shall, at the expiration of eighteen years from the commencement of this Control of the Union over the

welfare of
the
Scheduled
Castes.

Constitution by order appoint a Commission to report on the welfare of the Scheduled Castes in the States.

The order may define the composition, powers and procedure of the Commission and may contain such incidental or ancillary provisions as the President may consider necessary or desirable. 5

(2) The executive power of the Union shall extend to the giving of directions to a State as to the drawing up and execution of schemes specified in the direction to be essential for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes in the State."

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Even after seventeen years of independence, with three Five Year Plans, the condition of the Scheduled Castes in the country has not substantially improved socially, economically or educationally and there has not been any proper and comprehensive assessment of the progress made by them so far. Hence, a Commission is quite necessary to evaluate the progress made and to report on the welfare of the Scheduled Castes.

Besides, the schemes under the Five Year Plans for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes and most of the recommendations made by the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes year by year are not implemented by the State Governments expeditiously and effectively. It is very necessary and desirable that the Central Government should be invested with power to issue directions to the States to implement them.

Hence this Bill.

S. M. SIDDIAH.

NEW DELHI;
The 6th March, 1965.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

The appointment of a Commission for the Scheduled Castes will entail expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India on account of the travelling expenses of the members of the Commission and the staff required for it. It will be approximately Rs. 25,000.

S. L. SHAKDHER,
Secretary.