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6. Bihar	-	197
7. Sri Lanka	-	72
8. Punjab	-	100
9. Andhra Pradesh	-	8
10. Uttar Pradesh	-	39
11. Karnataka	-	9
12. Maharashtra	-	50
13. Madhya Pradesh	-	18
14. Haryana	-	6

As per the 1981 Census, the composition of population, religion-wise, was as under:-

Hindu	-	65%
Christian	-	26%
Muslim	-	9%.

Religion-wise break-up in respect of the 1991 Census is not yet available.

The matter does not seem to have been examined in detail in 1990 when it was recommended by the Andaman & Nicobar Administration that Chamar and Balmiki be notified as Scheduled Castes in relation to these islands.

Item No.(ii): Inclusion of Oraon, Munda, Kharia and Dhanaka in the ST List.

Oraon, Munda, Kharia and Dhanaka are all known as 'Ranchis' in these islands. The Andaman & Nicobar Administration has already expressed its views in connection with this matter vide its Secretary(TW)'s letter No.1-581/91-TW dated 18.10.1994 addressed to Shri BB Baruri, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Welfare and Fax Message No.1-581/91-TW dated 27.1.1995 addressed to Shri Ganga Das, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Welfare (copies enclosed - Annexure 'A' and Annexure 'B'). According to the 1901 Census, the population of Oraon and Munda in these islands was 13 and 12 respectively. There is no mention of Kharia and Dhanaka in the 1901 Census.

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