This is regarding Lok Sabha Untarred Question No. 2392 23.7.1992 dated raised by D.Venkateshwara Rao about upliftment of weaker sections. The Govt. of India, Ministry of Social Justice & Emppowerment, New Delhi vide D.O letter No. 12-13/2007-AF dated 22.8.2007 at page 122-124/c enclosing therewith a copy of the question and assurance given, has requested this Administration to send requisite information in respect of part (a) & (b) of the question to the MSJ&E immediately for fulfillment of the assurance.

As the required information was not available in this department, we had requested DC, Nicobars, DC, South Andaman and Director (Social Welfare) to furnish the requisite information to this office immediately vide this office letter No. 1-360/2007-TW/534 dated 13.9.2007 and reminder dated 20.9.2007 at page 129/c.

The D.C (N) vide his fax message No.1-33(35)/Estt/DCN/PQ/2003/895 dated 20.9.2007 at page 131/c has informed that;

"the amount spent for upliftment of weaker sections specificly on account of Dr. Ambedkar Centenary Celebrations in Nicobar District may be treatred as 'NIL' as there are no 'SC' notrified in Nicobar District."

The D.C, South Andaman vide his letter No. letter No. 8-30/DEV/2007/6625 dated 27.9.2007 at page 134/c has stated that;

"the subject matter is not dealt by their Department. Hence, the required information may kindly be obtained from the Directoratre of Social Welfare, Port Blair."

The Director, Social Welfare vide his letter No. letter No. 12-8/DSW/PQ/1384 dated 26.9.2007 at page 133/c has stated that;

"no community has been declared as weaker section in this UT. No fund has been spent by the Social Welfare Department for upliftment of weaker section on account of Dr. Ambedkar Centenary Celebration. Hence, the requisite information in respect of Social Welfare Department may be treatred as 'Nil'.

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