The Hon'ble Speaker Haryana Vidhan Sabha Chandigarh

Subject-Notice under rule 73 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Haryana Legislative Assembly calling attention of the August house/Government to the imperative need to conduct a comprehensive socio-economic survey in Haryana State on the Bihar pattern.

Respected Sir,

This notice is for calling attention of this August House/Government to the lack of granular data on the socio-economic conditions of the common citizen in our state, adversely affecting the governance and outreach of the government to the marginalised sections of the society for welfare programmes. The Registrar General/Census Minister, Ministry of Home affairs Government of India halted the work on Dicennial census 2021 on the flimsy pretext of combating Covid and the work is not likely to commence till General election to Lok Sabha 2024 is over. The last Caste Census in the country was conducted in the year 1931. The State of Bihar has conducted a Comprehensive Caste Survey and released its data on 02.10.2023. The validity of this socio-economic survey by the Bihar Government has been upheld by the Supreme Court. Our Government may consider conducting a similar survey by emulating the example of State of the Bihar.

Such Survey in Haryana will provide us with empirical and granular data with regard to the socio-economic parameters of the socially and economically marginalised groups facilitating the Government outreach to the beneficiaries for their welfare scheme and better affirmative action for the upliftment of subaltern sections of society. This will facilitate better decision making with regard to representation of the marginalised groups in public institutions.

This is matter of utmost public import, the same may be taken up for discussion, and the Minister concerned may be asked to make a statement on the floor of House as per procedure.

(KIRAN CHOUDHARY)

MLA TOSHAM