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Subject: Re: Caste data for 2019-21

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Following is a response from DHS Research & Data Analysis Director, Tom Pullum:

An individual caste/tribe file is being prepared but is not yet ready for distribution. When the file is available, we hope by October 1, users will have to complete a separate Data Request Form that specifies the research topic.

Please keep in mind that the response to the question on whether the caste/tribe is a scheduled caste, a scheduled tribe, an other backward class, none of them, or don't know is provided by the household respondent, who may or may not be the head of the household. Whatever answer the household respondent gives is accepted, even though the answer may not be based on the official caste/tribe list for a particular state.

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