

**MAIN OCCUPATIONAL PREFERENCE AMONG THE MORE DEPRESSED
SCs IN PUNJAB**

Sr. No	Caste	Population Census 1991	Percentage of households below poverty line	Occupation				
				Agriculture & allied activities	Petty Trading	Traditional Labour	Service	Govt. Job
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Bengali	5141	80.0%	30.0%	26.7%	0.0%	40.0%	3.3%
2	Bauria	91817	96.7%	76.7%	23.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
3	Bazigar	192565	73.8%	15.4%	55.4%	1.5%	13.8%	13.9%
4	Bhanjria	6635	96.7%	13.3%	20.0%	20.0%	33.3%	13.4%
5	Dumna/ Mahasha/ Doom	170227	87.7%	12.3%	12.3%	4.6%	21.5%	49.3%
6	Khatic	13424	96.7%	10.0%	26.7%	30.0%	13.3%	20.0%
7	Kori Koli	15530	93.3%	20.0%	33.3%	0.0%	23.3%	23.4%
8	Megh	116852	72.0%	4.0%	24.0%	40.0%	12.0%	20.0%
9	Od	33711	90.0%	26.7%	23.3%	16.7%	16.7%	16.6%
10	Pasi	18261	80.0%	20.0%	33.3%	3.3%	10.0%	33.4%
11	Sansi	98308	92.0%	38.0%	34.0%	4.0%	10.0%	14.0%
12	Sarera	17560	76.7%	23.3%	13.3%	0.0%	0.0%	63.4%
13	Sikligar	12332	93.3%	0.0%	0.0%	100%	0.0%	0.0%
	Total	759579	85.4%					

Source : I.D.C. Survey 1996.