

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

SC/ST Development Department- Request of Pentecostal Christian community for inclusion in the State List of OBCs- advice of the Kerala State Commission for Backward Classes- accepted-Orders issued.

SC/ST DEVELOPMENT (F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms).46/2006/SCSTDD. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 12.9.2006

- Read: 1 Representation dated 21.10.1994 and 21.3.2005 submitted by the General Secretary, Pentecostal Christian Association, Pathanapuram
2. D.O.Lr.No.1509/C1/94/KSCBC dated 4.11.01 of Sri.L.Natarajan, Member Secretary, KSCBC..

ORDER

In the representation submitted to the Kerala State Commission for Backward Classes, the Pentecostal Christian Association has pointed out that they are different from other sections of Christians and, that they are socially, economically and educationally backward and have no proper representation in Government Institutions. The Pentecostal Christian Association has requested to include Pentecostal Christians in the list of other backward classes in the State of Kerala.

The Kerala State Commission for Backward Classes has examined the request contained in the representation taking into account the observations made by the Supreme Court regarding inclusion of a community in the State list of OBC and the criteria evolved by the Kerala State Commission for Backward Classes. The Commission has examined in detail the evidence both written and oral produced by the Association.

The Pentecostal Christian includes converts from Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, Backward Class, Hindu forward class and also from Christians belonging to Syrian Catholic, Marthoma, Jacobite, Roman Catholic, C.S.I.etc. which is a cross section of the society.

They do not suffer from any social backwardness by their vocation and profession or on any other considerations. Therefore, the Commission has unanimously arrived to the conclusion that the request

of the Pentecostal Christian Association cannot be acceded to and has advised Government that the Pentecostal Christian Community need not be included in the state list of other backward classes. Ordinarily the advice of the Commission shall be binding on Government.

Government are pleased to accept the advice tendered by the Kerala State Commission for Backward Classes contained in the report forwarded along with the letter read as 2nd paper above and order that the 'Pentecostal Christian Community' need not be included in the State List of OBC.

(By Order of the Governor)
ROMANUS HORO,
Principal Secretary.

To

The Registrar, Kerala State Commission for Backward Classes, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram

The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram.

The General Secretary, Pentecostal Christian Association, Pathanapuram, Kollam

The Director, SC/ST Development Department

All District Collectors

The Director of Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram

Genl. Admn. (SC) Dept.

The P.S to Chief Minister

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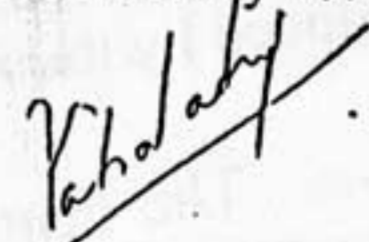
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