

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Backward Classes Welfare Department - Providing reservations in Educational Institutions and employment to Muslim Minorities in the State - Orders - Issued.

BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE (C2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 33

Dated: 12-7-2004.

Read:-

Report of Ex-Officio Commissioner for Commissionerate of Minorities Welfare, dated 5-7-2004.

ORDER:

The Commissionerate of Minorities Welfare, headed by the Ex-Officio Commissioner, has made an in depth study on the Socio-Economic and Educational Conditions of Muslim Community in the State and submitted his report to Govt.

2. The study focused mainly on the living conditions, occupational profile, income and literacy levels and participation in social activities. The said study was done through the District Minorities Welfare Officers and the officials of A.P. State Minorities Finance Corporation. The previous material and study on the Socio-Economic conditions of minorities in the State made by the A.P. State Minorities Commission was utilized by the Commissioner of Minorities Welfare in preparing the above said report on the Socio Economic conditions of Muslim Minorities in the State.

3. According to the 1991 census the population of Minorities in A.P. State is 72 lakhs (i.e. 11% of total population). Out of which Muslim population is around 64 lakhs consisting 8.5% of total population. The Survey mainly focused on Educational, Economical, Social aspects.

4. The study report of Commissioner of Minorities on Socio-Economic condition of Muslim Minorities revealed that around-65% of Muslims are living below poverty line (i.e., annual income Rs.11,000/- or below) and 16% are living under double poverty limit (i.e. annual income is Rs.44,500/- or below). The literacy rate among Muslim Minorities is only 18% as against 44% rate among other communities in the State as per 1991 Census. The literacy rate among Muslim women is very poor, which is only 4%.

5. The study revealed that most of the Muslims are engaged in petty business activity (viz., Pan Shop, Chai dukan, selling of fruits & flowers, as labourers in Engineering work shops, watch servicing and repairs of Radio & T.V. etc.,) in addition as Rural artisans. The study report of Commissioner of Minorities Welfare revealed that the Socio-Economic Conditions of Muslim Minorities community in the State are very poor due to poverty, illiteracy and in adequate representation in various fields of the society. The Commissioner

6. The Government, after careful consideration of the recommendations made by the Commissioner of Minorities Welfare, hereby accept the same and order that Muslims in the State be provided with 5% (five percent) reservations in educational institutions and employment in the State, over and above the reservations presently provided to the Backward Classes and be treated as Backward Classes under Category E (in addition to the existing A, B, C, D Categories).

7. The General Administration (Services), Health, Medical and Family Welfare, Labour & Employment, Higher Education and School Education Departments are requested to make necessary amendments to the rules and regulations in this regard.

8. These orders will come into force with immediate effect.

9. A copy of this order is available on the Internet and can be accessed at the address:-

<http://sponline.gov.in/angara>

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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To

The Member Secretary,

A.P. Commission for Backward Classes, Hyderabad.

The Ex-Officio Commissioner, Commissionerate of Minorities Welfare,
A.P., Hyderabad.

The Commissioner, B.C. Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad.

All the District Collectors in the State.

All Departments in Secretariat.

The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, A.P. Backward Classes.

Co-operative Finance Corporation Ltd., Hyderabad.

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