GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Abstract

SC/ST Development Department- Request for inclusion of "Pandaram" along with other Sub-Castes specified within brackets of item 73 Veerasaiva in the State List of OBCs - advice of the Kerala State Commission for Backward Classes- accepted-Orders issued.

S C/ST DEVELOPMENT (F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms),48/2006/SCSTDD.Dated. Thiruvananthapurain, 12.9.2006

Read:1 G.O.(Ms)No.57/96/SCSTDD dated 8.11.96

- Judgment dated 28.8.2002 in OP No.9557/01 filed by Smt.Kanakamma.S.
- Lr.No.D.1044/2001 dated 22.8.2005 from the Director. Directorate of KIRTADS, Kozhikkode.
- Representation dated 29.8.2005 by General Secretory. Kerala Veerasaiva Sabha
- Lr.No.618/C/05/KSCBC dated 31/1/2006 from the Registrar. KSCBC. Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

The Hon'ble High Court in its judgment dated 28.8.2002 in O.P.No.9557/01 filed by Smt.S.Kanakamma directed Covernment to consider the representation filed by the Additional 4th respondent represented by its General Secretary, Kerala Veerasaiva Sabha.

The representation submitted by the General Secretary. Kerala Veerasaiva Sabha was for inclusion of all sub-castes including *Pandaram* community in the list of OBCs. Govt. have decided to obtain a report of the Director, KIRTADS. In the light of the court direction, the Director, KIRTADS, have conducted a study on the social status of the community and has recommended for including 'Pandaram' on item 'Veerasaiva' in the state list of OBCs.'

The Commission for Backward Classes has examined the matter in the light of the criteria fixed for including a particular community in the state list of OBCs. The Commission has examined in detail the evidence both written and oral as produced by the Association and also the report of the Director, KIRTADS.

The Commission came to the conclusion that the opinion of KIRTADS that *Pandaram* is one of the components or sub-caste of Veerasaiva is acceptable and advised Government accordingly.

The Commission tendered their advice to Government under section 9 (1) of the KSCBC Act 1993 and as per Sec 9(2) of the Act the advice of the commission shall ordinarily be binding upon Government.

In the circumstances. 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 5th paper above and order that the 'Pandaram' community will be included along with the other Sub Castes (components) specified within brackets of item 73 Veerasaivas contained in List III of OBC's in Kerala State in the Schedule to Part 1 in KS&SSRs, 1958 and order accordingly.

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

To

The Registrar, Kerala State Commission for Backward Classes, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram Smt.S.Kanakamma, Arikkonathu Puthen Veedu, Kanjirampara P.O., Thiruvananthapuram. The Advocate General, Ernakulam (with covering letter) The General Secretary, Kerala Veerasaiva Sabha. Neeleswaram P.O., Kottarakkara, Kollam The Secretary, Kerala State Public Service Commission. Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram The Director, SC Development Department The Director, ST Development Department All District Collectors The Director of Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram Geni.Admn.(SC)Dept. The P.S to Chief Minister P.S to Min.B&SC &E C.A to Prl.Secretary, SC/STDD C.A to Addl.Secretary,SC/STDD C.A to J.S., SCSTDD Stock file/ Office copy

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