

SCSTDD - Vettuvan, Pulaya Vettuvan Community living in areas other than former Cochin State included in the OEC list - Modified orders issued.

## Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes Development (G) Department

G.O.(Rt) No.675 /2003/SCSTDD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 16.08.2003

Read: 1. G.O.(Rt) No. 534/03/SCSTDD dated, 30.06.2003

- Letters No. 12018/11/03 SCD (R.L. Cell) dated 30.7.2003 from Government of India.
- Interim order dated, 11.08.2003 of the Hon'ble High Court in W.P (C) No. 23503/03.

## ORDER

In the G.O. read above, Government had issued orders to include Vettuvan, Pulaya Vettuvan Communities living in areas other than former Cochin State in the OEC list, making the members of the communities eligible for all educational benefits admissible to Scheduled Castes until the Government of India issues orders declaring the said communities as Scheduled castes throughout the State.

In the letter read above, Government of India have clarified that Vettuvan Community listed at Sl. No. 68 of the Constitution (SC) Orders (Second Amendment) Act, 2002 is notified for the entire State and that no area restriction has been imposed on the said community.

In the interim order read above, the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala has directed Government to treat Vettuvan community throughout the State as Scheduled Caste for reservation and other benefits.

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Government have examined the matter and are pleased to delete the Vettuvant Community from OEC list, as the Government of India have clarified that no area restriction has been imposed on the 'Vettuvan' and the same has been accepted by the Hon'ble High Court in the interim order. This will be subject to the final verdict of the Court in the matter.

The G.O. read above stands modified only to this extent.

By order of the Governor

Dr. C.V. Ananda Bose Principal Secretary

To

All District Collectors

All Tahsildars

The Commissioner for Entrance Examinations, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director, Scheduled Castes Development Department.

The Director KIRTADS, Kozhikode - 17

The Director, Scheduled Tribes Development Department

The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Thiruvananthapuram (With covering letter)

The Director of Public Instructions, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director of Higher Secondary Education, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director of Technical Education, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director of Collegiate Education, Thiruvananthapuram

The Registrars of all Universities in Kerala (With CL).

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