

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

General Administration Department-Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) not covered under the existing scheme of reservation for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the socially and educationally backward classes in Civil Posts and Services in Government of India and admissions in educational institutions-Income and assets certificate- Instruction -orders issued

General Administration (Co-ordination) Department

G.O. (Ms) No. 52/2019/GAD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 14.03.2019

- Read:-
- 1) OM.F.No.20013/01/2018-BC-II dated 17/01/2019 Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.
 - 2) OM.F.No. 36039/1/2019-Estt (Res.) dated 19/01/2019 Department of Personnel and Training, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Government of India.

ORDER

In pursuance of insertion of clauses 15(6) and 16(6) in the Constitution vide the Constitution (One Hundred and Third Amendment) Act, 2019 and in order to enable the Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) who are not covered under the existing scheme of reservations for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes, to receive the benefits of reservation on a preferential basis in civil posts and services in the Government of India and admission in Educational Institutions, it has been decided by the Union Government to provide 10% reservation to such EWSs in civil posts and services in Government of India, and admission in Central Governmental educational institutions.

2. In this subject matter, Government of India has issued following instructions:
- i) Persons who are not covered under the existing scheme of reservations for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and educationally Backward Classes and whose family has gross annual income is below Rs. 8 lakhs are to be identified as EWSs for the benefit of reservation.
 - ii) A family for this purpose includes the person who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years.
 - iii) The income of the family shall include income from all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession etc. for the financial year prior to the year of application seeking the certificate.
 - iv) A Persons whose family owns or possesses any of the following assets shall be excluded from being identified as EWSs, irrespective of the family income.
 - a. 5 acres of Agriculture Land and above;
 - b. Residential flat of 1000 sq.ft and above
 - c. Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
 - d. Residential plot of 200 sq.yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities

3. Government of India further directed that income and assets of family as mentioned in para 2 above is to be certified by an officer not below the rank of Tahsildar in a State. It has been further directed that the officer competent to issue this certificate has to verify carefully all relevant documents and follow the due process as prescribed by the State Government.

4. In the above circumstances, the State Government order that any of the following officers shall be the competent authority to issue the Income and Asset certificate in respect of the EWS who are not covered under the existing scheme of reservations for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes:-

- a. District Magistrate/ Additional District Magistrate of the area where the candidate or his family ordinarily resides
- b. Revenue Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate or his family ordinarily resides
- c. Tahsildar in charge of the taluk of the area where the candidate or his family ordinarily resides

5. Appeal against the order of Revenue Divisional Officer and Tahsildar in having rejected the application of the Income and Asset Certificate shall lie before District Magistrate/ Additional District Magistrate of the area where the candidate or his family ordinarily resides.

6. It is further ordered that the process as prescribed for issuing the non-creamy layer certificates to the persons belonging to Other Backward Classes in Kerala shall be followed by the competent authorities for verification of income and asset documents while taking a decision in respect of the applications for Income and Asset Certificate.

7. The competent authority shall dispose of the application for Income and Asset Certificate within 10 days of the receipt of the application.

8. The competent authorities will maintain the record of all the applications and certificates issued in the same manner as being done for non-creamy layer certificates to the persons belonging to Other Backward Classes in Kerala.

9. The certificate will be issued in the form appended to this order and shall remain valid for one year from the date of issue.

(By order of the Governor)

BISHWANATH SINHA, IAS

Principal Secretary

To,

The Principal Secretary, Revenue Department

The Commissioner, Land Revenue, Thiruvananthapuram

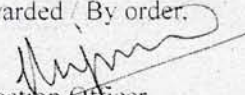
All District Collectors (for providing information to all Tahsildar etc)

The Prl. Accountant General (A&E/Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director, I&PRD (for publishing Government Website and for wide publicity to Media)

Web & New Media (for publishing for Govt. Website)

Forwarded / By order,


Section Officer.



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Income and Asset Certificate to be produced by Economically Weaker Sections

Certificate No.. ..

Date.....

Valid for the year

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari
 son/daughter/wife of
 permanent resident of, Village/Street
 Post Office..... District
 in Kerala Pin Code whose
 photograph is attested below belongs to Economically Weaker Sections, since the gross annual
 income* of his/her family** is below Rs. 8 lakh (Rupees Eight Lakh only) for the financial
 year His/her family does not own or possess any of the following assets*** :

- I. 5 acres of agricultural land and above;
- II. Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above;
- III. Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
- IV. Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.

2. Shri/Smt./Kumari belongs
 to thecaste which is not recognized as a
 Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes.

Signature with seal of Office.....

Name

Designation

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*Note 1: Income covered all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc.

**Note 2: The term "Family" for this purpose include the person, who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years

***Note 3: The property held by a "Family" in different locations or different places/cities have been clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.