ANDHRA PRADESH STATE CHRISTIAN (MINORITIES) FINANCE CORPORATION

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To
The Special Secretary to Government,
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Government of Andhra Pradesh,
A.P Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Lr.No: 543/APSCMFC/A5/SC Christian/2014, Dt.08.07.2014

Sir,

Sub: APSCMFC – Certain genuine issues of Scheduled Caste converts to

Christianity pertaining to availing all non-statutory concessions available to
SCs by BC-C Christians as specified by the Government – Reg.

Ref: 1) G.O.Ms.No.341, Social Welfare Dept., Dt.30.08.1977

- 2) G.O.Ms.46, Minorities Welfare (ICM-I) Dept., Dt.13.11.2008
- 3) G.O.Ms.121, Minorities Welfare (ICM-II) Dept., Dt.01.04.2010
- 4) This office Lr.No. 543/APSCMFC/A5/SC Christian/2014, Dt.26.03.2014 addressed to the Secretary, Social Welfare Department.

It is submitted that in the reference 1st cited, Government has issued orders granting all non-statutory concessions available to Scheduled Castes (Hindus) to all the Scheduled Caste converted Christians (BC-Cs) on the ground that Scheduled Caste converts suffer from all the social disabilities as SCs irrespective of their conversion.

In the reference 2nd cited, Government has established AP State Christian Minorities Finance Corporation and in the reference 3rd cited the Corporation has been given the mandate to focus on the issues faced by the Christian Community and address them in time bound manner and coordinate their needs with all other departments of the Government.



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Repeated representations are being received from Christian Community and from Church pastors that BC-C Converted Christians from SC are not being sanctioned Welfare Schemes by the Social Welfare Department at the district level.

Since, large numbers of representations are being received, this office has obtained the details of welfare schemes being implemented by Social Welfare Department at the District level and it has been noticed that BC-C converted Christians are not getting any benefits from the Welfare Schemes of Social Welfare Department.

The Scheme wise details are as follows:

S.No	Scheme	Representation/Request
1	Payment of Electricity bills of SC beneficiaries in housing colonies with monthly consumption of 0 to 50 units areas and current charges by Social Welfare Department	BC-C converted Christians are not included in this scheme and the SC Convert Christians are requesting to include them in this scheme and release them electricity charges on par with SCs
2	Bright Boys Scheme/ Best available schools (BAS)scheme/ Hyderabad Public School (HPS)	In BAS Scheme BC-C converted Christians are not included, because of which SC Convert Christians are unable to study in English medium private schools and HPS school. It is requested to earmark 12% seats in BAS schools and HPS for BC-C students as is being done in Social Welfare hostels and APSWEIS schools and colleges
3.	Inter - Caste Marriage Incentive Scheme	It is requested to sanction Inter - Caste marriage incentive to BC-C Christians on par with SCs
4	Ambedkar Overseas Scholarship	In this scheme overseas scholarship is being sanctioned to SC students but BC-C students are not being considered. It is requested to consider BC-C Christians also under the Ambedkar Overseas Scholarship scheme and allot 12% seats every year to BC-C Candidates

In view of the above, it is requested to issue instructions to all the Deputy Directors of Social Welfare Department in the state to scrupulously follow the Government Order cited at reference 1st and include BC-C converted Christians in all the Welfare Schemes of the Government.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully

Managing Director

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The Commissioner, Minorities Welfare, Hyderabad for favor of information.