Higher Education - Universities - Reservation for admission to Post Graduate & Degree courses in Government Colleges and University Departments - Norms refixed - Orders

Higher Education (B) Department

G.O(Ms)No.107/08/H.Edn

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 30.8.2008.

Read:- 1. G.O(P)No.8/06/SC/STDD dtd 2.2.06.

- G.O(Ms)37/2006/H.Edn dtd 27.2.06.
- Letter No.14621/BI/06/H.Edn dtd 4.8.06.
- 4. G.O(Ms)104/07/H.Edn dtd 24.7.07.
- Government letter No.24482/B1/08/H.Edn dtd 16.7.08.

ORDER

As per Government order read as 2nd paper above 20% reservation was introduced for the students belonging to backward classes in degree and Post Graduate courses in Government colleges based on the findings of the Narendran Commission Report. The above said Government Order was kept in abeyance as per the letter read as 3rd paper above in view of the finding that total reservation exceeds 50% which is against the order of the Supreme Court.

As per the Government Order read as 4th paper above 3% reservation to Physically Handicapped students was incorporated in the community based reservation in order to overcome the difficulty of total reservation exceeding 50%. This Government Order could not be implemented since admission process had already started. Government issued instructions not to implement the reservation in Degree and Post Graduate courses until further, orders and to maintain status quo vide letter read as 5th paper above.

In the circumstances Government have seriously considered the matter of extending the reservation to backward classes in this academic year itself. It is observed that the number of seats in Colleges and University Departments have to be enhanced to provide reservation to backward classes as per existing roles of reservation since classes for this academic year have already commenced.

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to order the following.

1) 20% of the total seats existing in Government Colleges and University Teaching Departments will be enhanced and allotted to the communities belonging to backward classes. The percentage of reservation will be as follows.

> Ezhava - 8% Muslim - 7% L.C/S.LU.C - 1% O.B.C Christian - 1% O.B.C. Hindu - 3%