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NCBC Advice No. 83-115/Andhra Pradesh/2015

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Dear *Ms Anilakoti,*

I am sending herewith Advices of the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC), under Section 9(1) of National Commission for Backward Classes Act, 1993, regarding the following castes/communities for the State of Andhra Pradesh, duly authenticated, for necessary action by the Central Government under Section 9(2) of the NCBC Act:-

Sl.No.	Name of the Caste / Community	Remarks
1	Entry No. 1 'Agnikulakshatriya, Palli, Vadabalija, Bestha, Jalari, Gangavar, Gangaputra, Goondla, Vanyakulakshtriya (Vannekapu, Vannerreddi Pallikapu, Pallireddi), Neyyala & Pattapu'	Correction
2	Entry No. 5 "Rajaka (Chakali, Vannar), Chakali, Vannar"	Correction
3	Entry No.15 "Nayi-Brahmin (Mangali), Mangala, Bajantri"	Correction
4	Entry No.17 "Vamsharaj, Pitchiguntala"	Correction
5	Entry No.22 "Veeramushti (Nettikotala), Veerabhadreeya"	Correction
6	Entry No.23 "Valmiki Boya (Boya, Bedar, Kirataka, Nishadi, Yellapi, Pedda Boya), Talayari and Chunduvallu"	Correction
7	Entry No.35 "Odde (Oddilu, Vaddi, Vaddelu), Vaddera, Waddera"	Correction
8	Entry No.99 "Kurakula confined to Srikakulam, Vizianagaram & Visakhapatnam Districts"	Correction
9	Entry No.97 "Pondara confined to Srikakulam, Vizianagaram & Visakhapatnam Districts"	Correction

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10	Entry No.100 “Kasi Kapadi”	Deletion
11	Entry No.106 “Sikligar/Saikilgar”	Correction
12	Entry No.39 “Achukadavandlu in the districts of Visakhapatnam and Guntur confined to Hindus only”	Correction
13	Entry No.42 “Goud, Ediga, Gouda (Gamalla, Kalalee), Goundla, Settibalija of Vishakapatnam, East Godavari, West Godavari and Krishna Districts and Srisayana (Segidi)”	Correction
14	Entry No.47 “Karikalabhakthulu, Kaikolan or Kaikala (Sengundam or Sengunther)”	Correction
15	Entry No.53 “Perika (Perika Baliya, Puragiri Kshatriya)”	Correction
16	Entry No.55 “Padmasali (Sali, Salivan, Pattusali, Senapathulu, Thogata Sali)”	Correction
17	Entry No.58 “Thogata, Thogati or Thogataveerakshatriya”	Correction
18	Entry No. 98 “Lodh, Lodha, Lodhi”	Deletion
19	Entry No. 62 “Arekatika, Katika” Entry No. 62-A “Qureshi (Muslim Butchers)”	Correction
20	Entry No.64 “Bhatraju”	Correction
21	Entry No.75 “Krishnabhalija (Dasari, Bukka)”	Correction
22	Entry No.82 “Neeli”	Correction
23	Entry No.88 “Satani (Chattadasrivaishnava)”	Correction
24	Entry No.89 “Tammali (Non-Brahmins)(Shudra Caste)”	Correction

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25	Entry No.95 “Ayyaraka confined to Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam, East Godavari, West Godavari, Krishna & Guntur Districts”	Correction
26	Entry No.109 “Kurmi (confined to Krishna District only)”	Correction
27	Entry No.110 “Budubunjala/Bhunjwa/Bhadbhuja (confined to Hyderabad and Ranga Reddy Districts only)”	Deletion
28	Entry No.74 “Surya Baliya (Kalavanthula, Ganika)”	Correction
29	Entry No.21 Dammali / Dammala / Dammula / Damala / Peddammavandlu, Devaravandlu, Yellammavandlu, Mutyalammavandlu”	Inclusion
30	Entry No. 112 “Samanthula / Samantha / Sountia / Sauntia confined to Srikakulam District”	Inclusion
31	Entry No.111 “Lakkamarikapu (Confined to Telangana region only)”	Deletion
32	Entry No.107 “Siddula”	Deletion
33	Entry No. 80 “Munnurkapu (Telangana)”	Deletion

With *Regards.*

Yours sincerely,


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Encl: as above

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NCBC Advice No. 111/Andhra Pradesh/2015

NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR BACKWARD CLASSES

Hon'ble Justice V. Eswaraiah, Chairperson

Hon'ble Shri S. K. Kharventhan, Member

Hon'ble Shri A.K.Saini, Member

Hon'ble Dr. Shakeel uz-Zaman Ansari, Member

Hon'ble Shri A.K.Mangotra, Member-Secretary

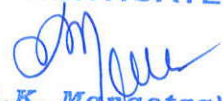
Case: Request for Inclusion of 'Dammali/ Dammala/ Dammula/ Damala' caste / community in the Central List of Other Backward Classes for the State of Andhra Pradesh.

I. REQUEST

1. NCBC received many queries with regard to the variations in the spelling of the castes/communities in the State List of BCs and Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh.

2. After the formation of the State of Telangana from out of the State of Andhra Pradesh, NCBC has initiated action to find out the names of the castes/communities for their existence in the Andhra

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Pradesh area, area restriction of certain castes/communities, correction of spellings of the castes/ communities/synonyms, deletions, additions and alternations in the existing Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh, as the NCBC also noticed certain variations. Similar problems were noticed on comparison of the State Backward Classes List with the existing Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh. There were also requests for inclusion of certain castes/communities which are included in the State Backward Classes List but are not included in the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh.

3. The matter was placed before the full Commission on 18-02-2015 and 04-03-2015. Accordingly, it was decided that the Commission will hold a Short Public Hearing at Vijaywada for the State of Andhra Pradesh for verification with regard to the existence, correct spelling of the castes/ communities/synonyms and for additions, deletions, alterations etc., of the respective castes/communities/synonyms. Therefore, a Public Notice was issued in the local Newspapers on 02-04-2015 for the purposes of existence, area restriction, correct spelling, synonyms for correction, deletion, addition and alteration in respect of the castes/communities listed in the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh.

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II. PUBLIC HEARING

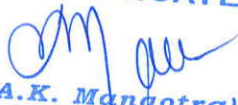
4. The Commission consisting of Justice V. Eswaraiah, Hon'ble Chairperson, Shri A. K. Saini, Hon'ble Member and Shri A.K.Mangotra, Hon'ble Member-Secretary held a Public Hearing at Vijayawada on 6th and 7th April, 2015 to consider cases for verification of existence, area restriction and correction/deletion/ addition/ alteration the spellings of the names of castes/communities in the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh.

5. At the time of Public Hearing, on behalf of the State Government of Andhra Pradesh and the Andhra Pradesh State Commission for Backward Classes, the following Officers were present:

1) Shri Praveen Kumar, Secretary, B.C. Welfare Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

2) Shri A. Krishna Mohan, Commissioner/Member-Secretary, A.P. State Backward Classes Commission.

6. Thereafter, the entire matter including the inputs from the Public Hearing were placed before the full Commission on 20-05-2015 and 08-10-2015 for discussion and consideration and after analyzing the Report of the State Government/State

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Commission and also going through submissions put forward by the representatives of the State Government/State Commission and also the representatives of concerned castes/communities at Public Hearing, the opinion of the Commission in respect of these castes/communities has been arrived at.

III. FACTS

7. The castes/communities 'Dammali, Dammala, Dammula, Damala of Srikakulam District' are included at Sl.No.22 in Group 'A' along with the castes/communities 'Peddammavandlu, Davaravandlu, Yellammavandlu, Mutyalammavandlu vide G.O.Ms.No.9 BCW(C2) Department dated 9-4-2008 with area operation of Srikakulam District and the area operation is deleted in G.O.Ms.No.2, BCW (C2) Department dated 24-1-2009. In the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh, at Entry No.21, the castes/communities 'Peddammavandlu, Devaravandlu, Yellammavandlu, Mutyalammavandlu' are included. In the Mandal List at Sl.No.219, the castes/communities 'Peddammavandlu, Davaravandlu, Yellammavandlu, Mutyalammavandlu' are included.

8. The Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, who was present during the Public Hearing, submits that this is a small class of Telugu beggars and priests in

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the temples of village Goddesses. Educationally they are very backward. Having regard to their traditional occupation, they are looked down as inferior even by other Sudra castes. Therefore, the Government included this caste/community in the State List of Backward Classes based on the recommendation of the State Commission for Backward Classes vide G.O.Ms.No.9 BCW(C2) Department dated 9-4-2008 with area operation of Srikakulam District and subsequently the area operation was deleted vide G.O.Ms.No.2, BCW(C2) Department dated 24-1-2009.

9. In the Ethnographic Account – People of India by Shri K.S.Singh at Pages 751-752 reveals that the Dammali derive their name from the word Dammadu, meaning a pious person. The Dammali were traditional priests of local and village deities. The polymorphic nature of Kali, the supreme Goddess and the wife of Lord Shiva of Hindu mythology, is expressed in different feminine personifications such as Mutyalamma and Sannala polamma. This community is also referred to as Peddammavandlu, Devaravandlu, Yellammavandlu, Mutyallammavandlu. All these names are synonyms of Dammali, Dammala or Dammula or Damala, a Sudra caste of Srikakulam District. This caste originated from Talatampura village in Srikakulam District. They comprise a population of 500 persons and they are migrated to other villages and States. Thruston

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recorded that as per Madras Census Report 1901 as a small class of Telugu beggars and priests in the temples of village Goddesses. Telugu is the mother tongue of the Dammali. They are looked down as inferior even by other Sudra castes. Divorce is permissible but is very rare. The divorcees can seek remarriage. The Dammali chiefly depend on agricultural labour, which was once a subsidiary occupation to their hereditary calling of priesthood. The Dammali literacy rate is very low. They mainly use native herbal medicines.

10. As per the submission of the State Government and the State Commission represented by the Secretary, B.C. Welfare Department and the Member-Secretary, State Backward Classes Commission, this caste/community was included in Group 'A' at Sl.No.22 based on the report of the State Backward Classes Commission vide G.O.Ms.No.9, BCW(C2) Department dated 9-4-2008. As per the report of the State Backward Classes Commission, this caste is originated from Talatampura village in Srikakulam District having population of about 5000 in 1970. This is a small class of Telugu beggars and priests in the temples of village Goddesses. It is stated that Dammali, Dammala, Dammula, Damla caste is the main caste, whereas the sub-castes Peddammavandlu, Devaravandlu, Yellammavandlu, Mutyallammavandlu are already availing the benefits provided by

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the Government to the backward classes but the main caste people are not getting any benefits. Therefore this caste was included in the State List of Backward Classes as the main caste in Group 'A' at Sl.No.22. As other synonyms were also existing all over the State, the area operation was subsequently deleted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh. Thus it is contended that in view of their traditional occupation and culture, it is a most depressed class not only socially and culturally but also educationally and economically.

11. The 'Dammali, Dammala, Dammula, Damala' castes/communities being the class of the Telugu beggars, who are also known as 'Peddammavandlu, Devaravandlu, Yellammavandlu, Mutyallammavandlu', was already included in the List of Backward Classes by Anantharaman Commission in 1970. Educationally also they are very backward. There were no students from this caste/community in any high school class in the year 1969 and this is how they are educationally backward and most backward even economically also. That was the reason why they were included in Group 'A' i.e. Most Backward Classes in the State List of Backward Classes.

IV. FINDINGS

12. The National Commission for Backward Classes having considered the aforesaid aspects came to the opinion that unless

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this caste is included in the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh, it is not possible for the development of this caste/community and therefore they deserve constitutional protection and benefits under Articles 15(4) and 16(4) of the Constitution of India as they are socially and educationally very backward. The National Commission for Backward Classes having considered the aforesaid aspects came to the opinion that it is a Most Depressed Backward Class and is thus entitled for inclusion in the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh. Accordingly the NCBC **recommends inclusion** of '**Dammali, Dammala, Dammula, Damala**' castes/ communities in the Central List of Other Backward Classes at **Entry No.21** in conformity with the State List as they are socially and educationally backward and after inclusion **Entry No.21** would read as under:

"Dammali/Dammala/Dammula/Damala,
Peddammavandlu, Devaravandlu, Yellammavandlu,
Mutyalammavandlu,".

V. ADVICE OF THE COMMISSION

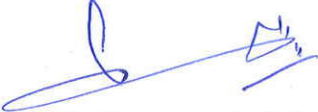
13. The Commission in view of the above findings has decided to tender the following Advice to the Central Government under Section 9(1) of the NCBC Act for necessary action:-

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"Request for inclusion of Caste/Community 'Dammali/Dammala/Dammula/Damala' in the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh be accepted and the NCBC recommends inclusion at Entry No. 21 'Dammali/Dammala/Dammula/Damala' in the Central List of OBCs for the State of Andhra Pradesh. After inclusion of 'Dammali/Dammala/Dammula/Damala' caste/community, the Entry No.21 would read as under:

Dammali/Dammala/Dammula/Damala / Peddammavandlu, Devaravandlu, Yellammavandlu, Mutyalammavandlu"



(Justice V. Eswaraiah)
Chairperson



(S. K. Kharventhan)
Member



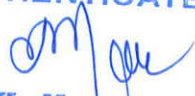
(A. K. Saini)
Member



(Dr. Shakeel-Uz-Zaman Ansari)
Member



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