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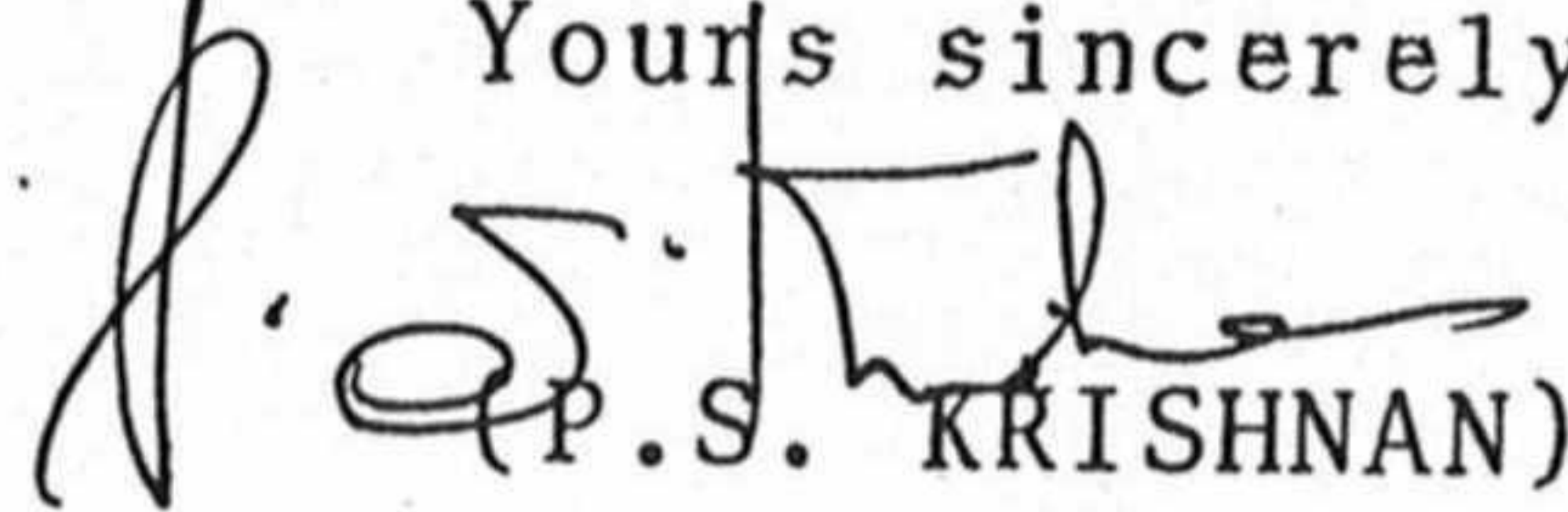
NCBC Advice No. Tamil Nadu 102/99

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Dear Smt. Das,

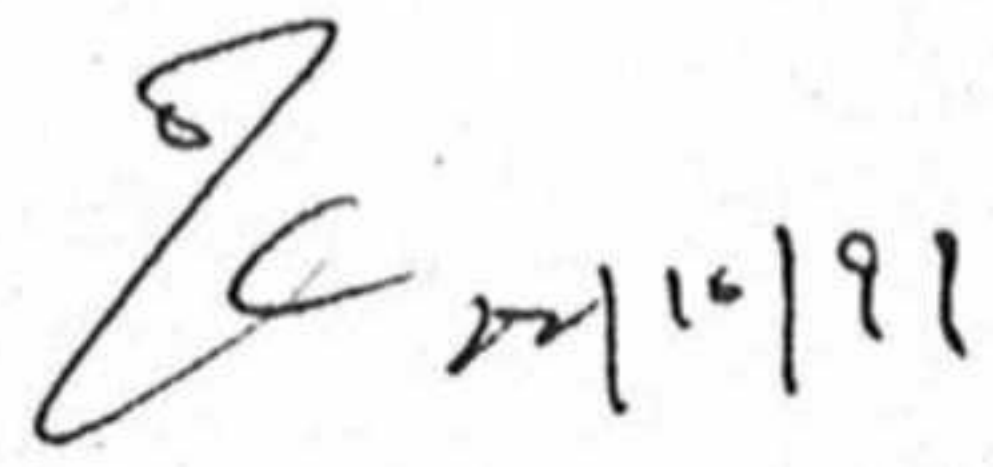
I am sending herewith the Advice of the National Commission for Backward Classes under Section 9(1) of the NCBC Act, 1993 for the Inclusion of "Pooluva Gounder" as a synonym of pulluvar or Pooluvar in the Central List of Backward Classes for Tamil Nadu, duly authenticated, for necessary action by the Central Government under Section 9(2) of the Act.

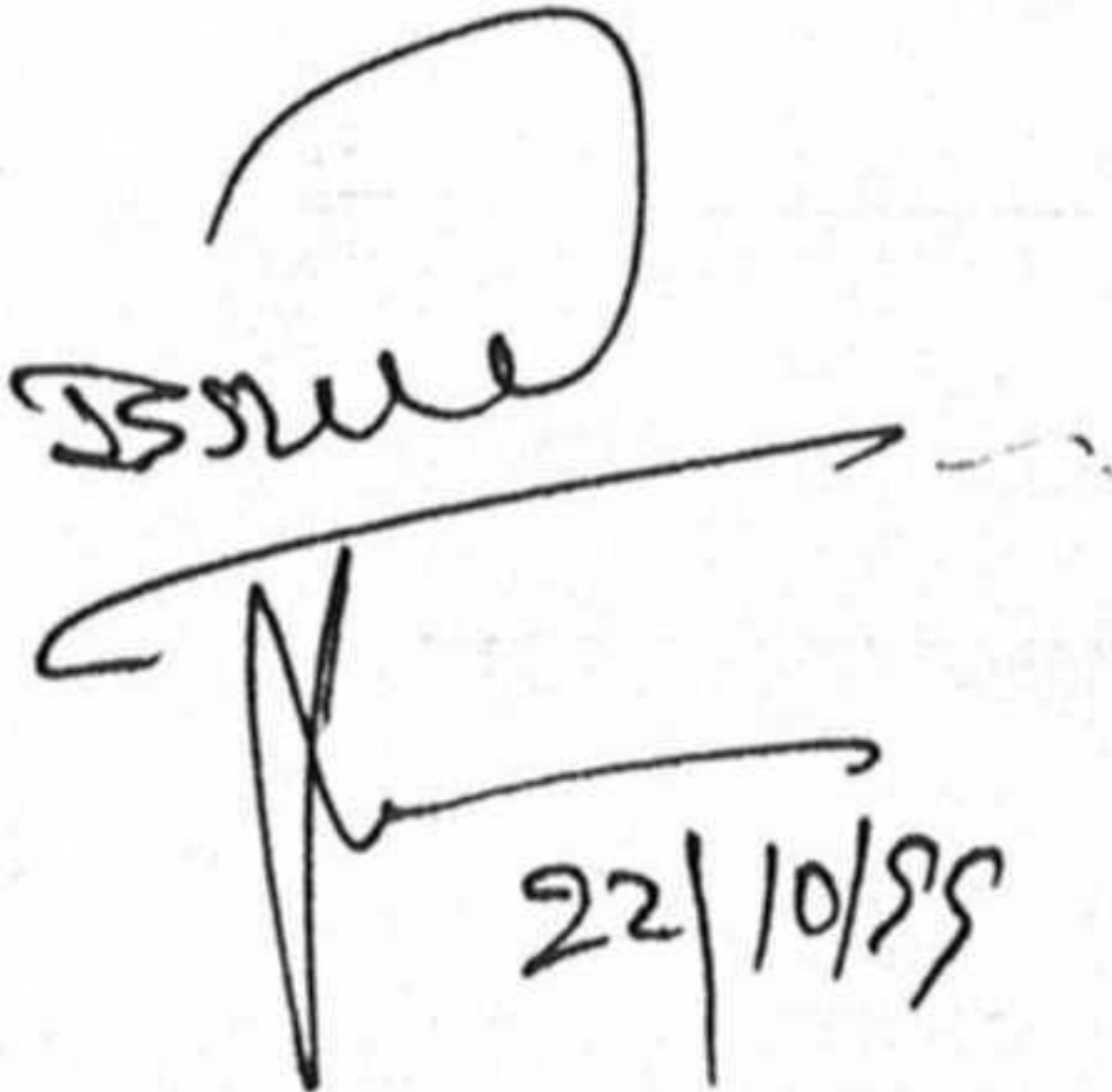
Yours sincerely


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Encl: As stated

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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR BACKWARD CLASSES**TAMIL NADU BENCH****FINDINGS**

Per Shri P.K.Shyamsundar, Chairperson

Case : Request for inclusion of "Pooluva Gounder" in the Central List of Backward Classes for Tamil Nadu.

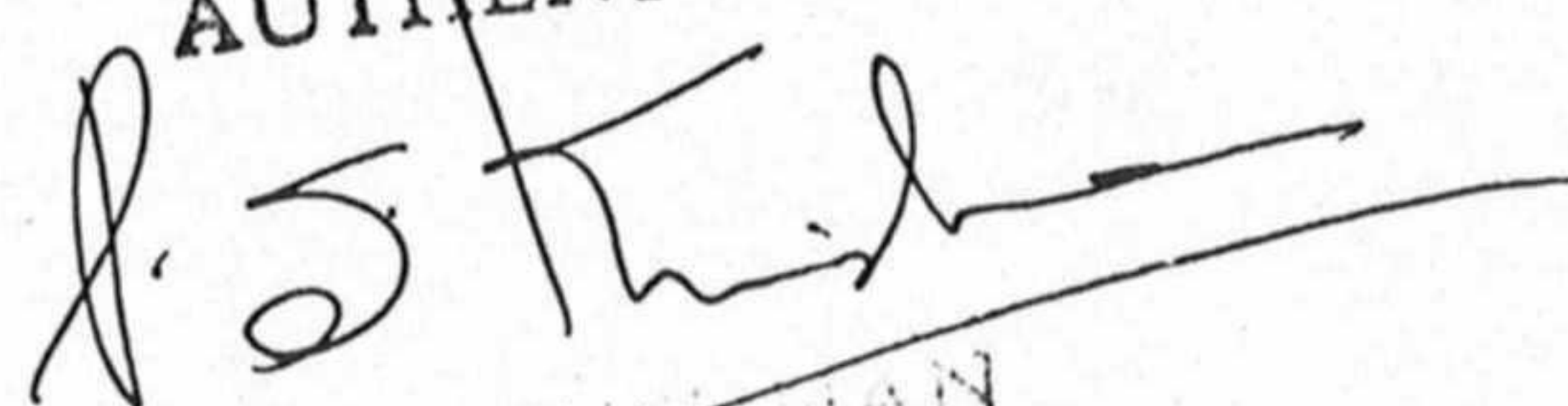
I Request

This case arises from the Request received in this Commission from the State Government of Tamil Nadu, for inclusion of "Pooluva Gounder " in the Central List of Backward Classes for Tamil Nadu.

II Public Hearing

2. The three-Member Tamil Nadu Bench of the Commission consisting of Hon'ble Justice P.K.Shyamsundar, Chairperson, Prof. U.P.Singh, Hon'ble Member and Shri M.S.Matharoo, Hon'ble Member held a Public Hearing at Chennai on 9th August, 1999. At the Public Hearing the State Government was represented by Shri N..Murugan, Secretary, Backward Classes and Most Backward Classes Welfare Department, Shri R.S.Kannan, Director, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities and other officers of the Backward Classes Welfare Department. The community was represented by Shri Palnisamy and others.

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III Facts

3. "Pooluva Gounder" caste/community is included in the State List of Backward Classes for Tamil Nadu but it is not included in the Mandal List of Backward Classes for Tamil Nadu. Therefore, it is not included in the first phase of Central List of Backward Classes for Tamil Nadu as it did not fulfill the criteria of Principle of commonality i.e. being in the State List as well as in the Mandal List.

4. The relevant entries in the State List, Mandal List and Central List is as under:

State List

102. Pooluva Gounder

105. Pulluvar or Pooluvar

Mandal List

219. Pulluvan, Pulluvar

Central List

123. Pulluvar or Pooluvar

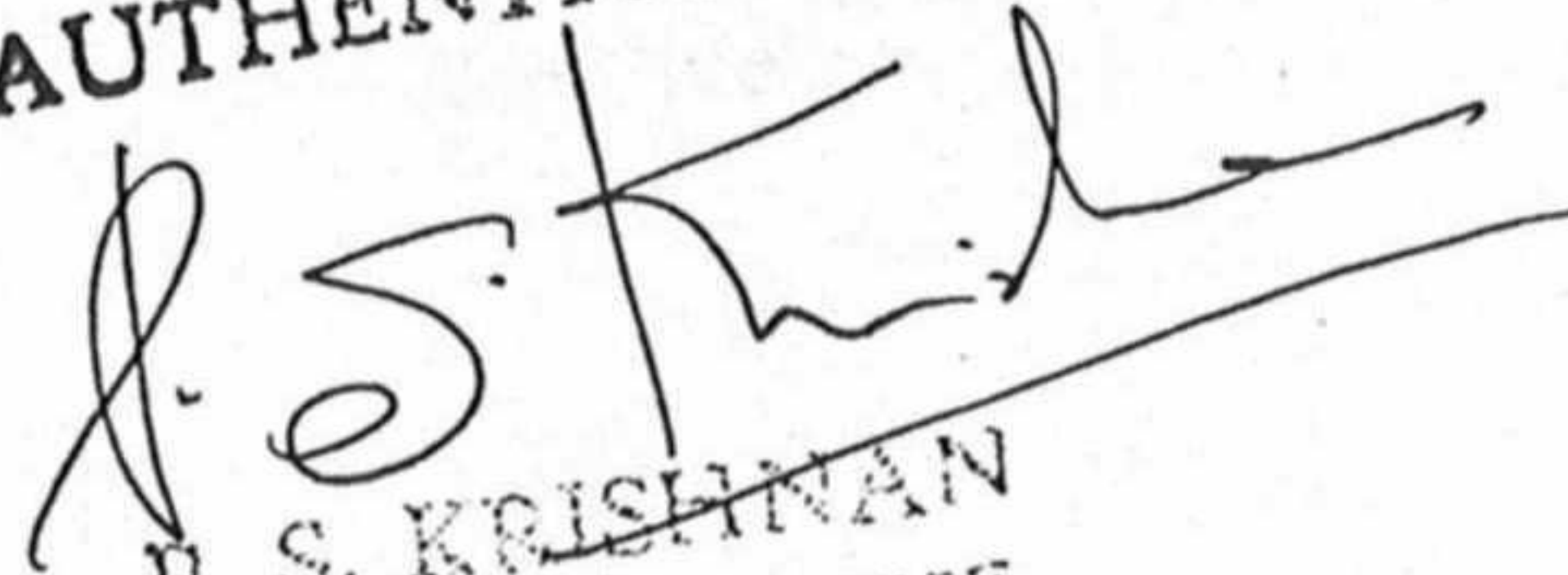
5. The State Government of Tamil Nadu has made a request inter-alia to include caste/community "Pooluva Gounder" in the Central List of Backward Classes. It has been stated in the Questionnaire that Pooluva Gounder is the name of the main community and are generally regarded as socially backward. The population of the community in the state is 11,900. This community was included in the State List of BCs of Tamil Nadu vide G.O.Ms.No.1564,SWD, dtd.30.7.1985. Percentage of manual labour, women engaged in manual labour & childrens participation in labour is given as 74.24%, 39.62% and 7.14% which is higher than the state average of 61.39%, 27.67% and 2.74% respectively. The members of the community living in Katchha house is given as 75% which is also

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higher than the State average of 52.34%. The percentage of passing 10th standard and Higher Secondary is 1.68 and 0.0% which is far lower than the State average of 5.05% and 3.31%. Literacy rate is given as 58.825% as against the state average of 65.44%.

4. Shri M.Palnisamy, who is working as Revenue Supervision in the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board deposed as PW 1 on behalf of the community before the Commission. He stated that the total population of caste/community is 10,000 with concentration in Coimbatore and Erode Districts. To a specific question by the commission whether their caste/community is known by different names. It was stated that Poolava Gounder is their caste. Their caste/community is also known by other names viz. Pooluvar, Kavalar and Mavilar. Kaviliar and Mavilar are titles of Pooluvar. Pooluva Gounder is included in the State List of BCs of Tamil Nadu. They are small farmers and their traditional occupations are agricultural labour, cattle crazing and small farmers. There are no Engineers, Doctors and highly educated people in their community. There are only 50 graduates in their community and most of them are working in private company. Twenty people are in police service.
5. The deposition of the witness and the facts furnished by the State Government, regard being had to the facts that transpired before the commission at the hearing and taking over all view of the factual situation, the commission concludes that the "Pooluva Gounder" is Socially Backward and deserves inclusion.

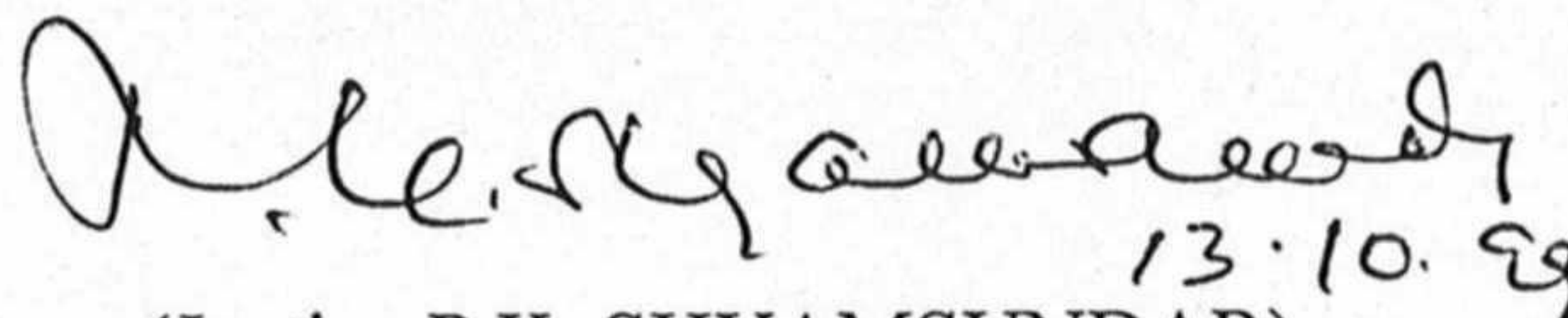
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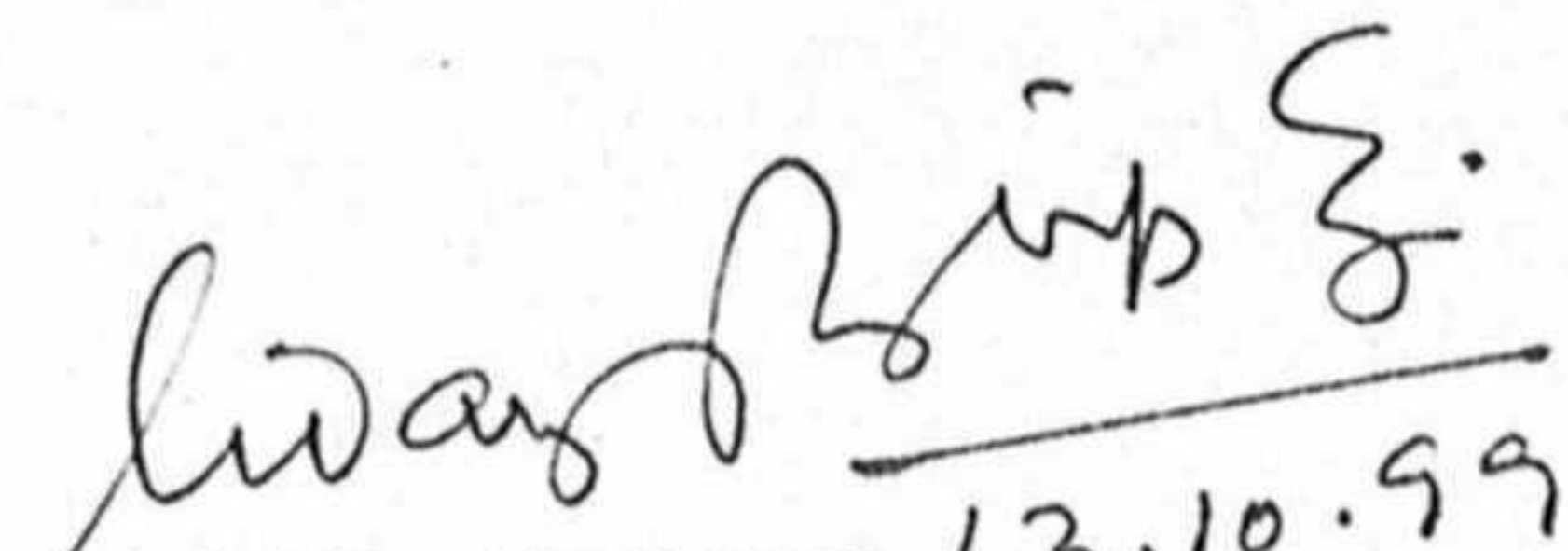

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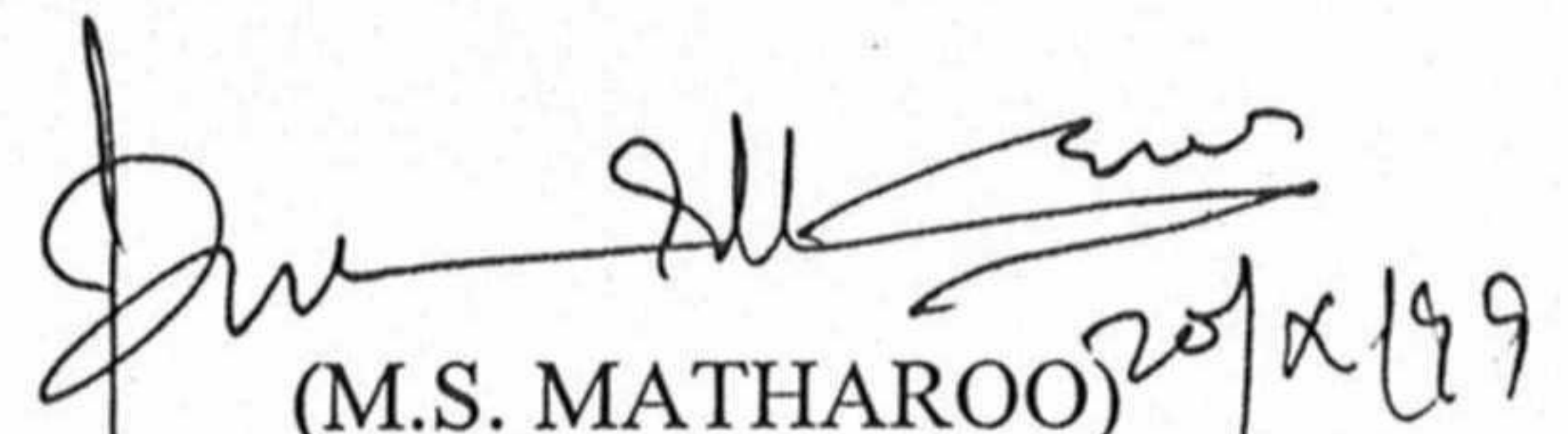
IV Findings

6. From the above facts, as also the evidence available besides the submission of the State Government and the party, the Bench holds that "Pooluva Gounder" is a synonym of "Pulluvar or Pooluvar" caste/community of Tamil Nadu and is Socially Backward. Therefore "Pooluva Gounder" be included in the Central List of Backward Classes for the State of Tamil Nadu at the existing entry Sl.No.123 as follows:

"123 .Pulluvar or Pooluvar,Pooluva Gounder"

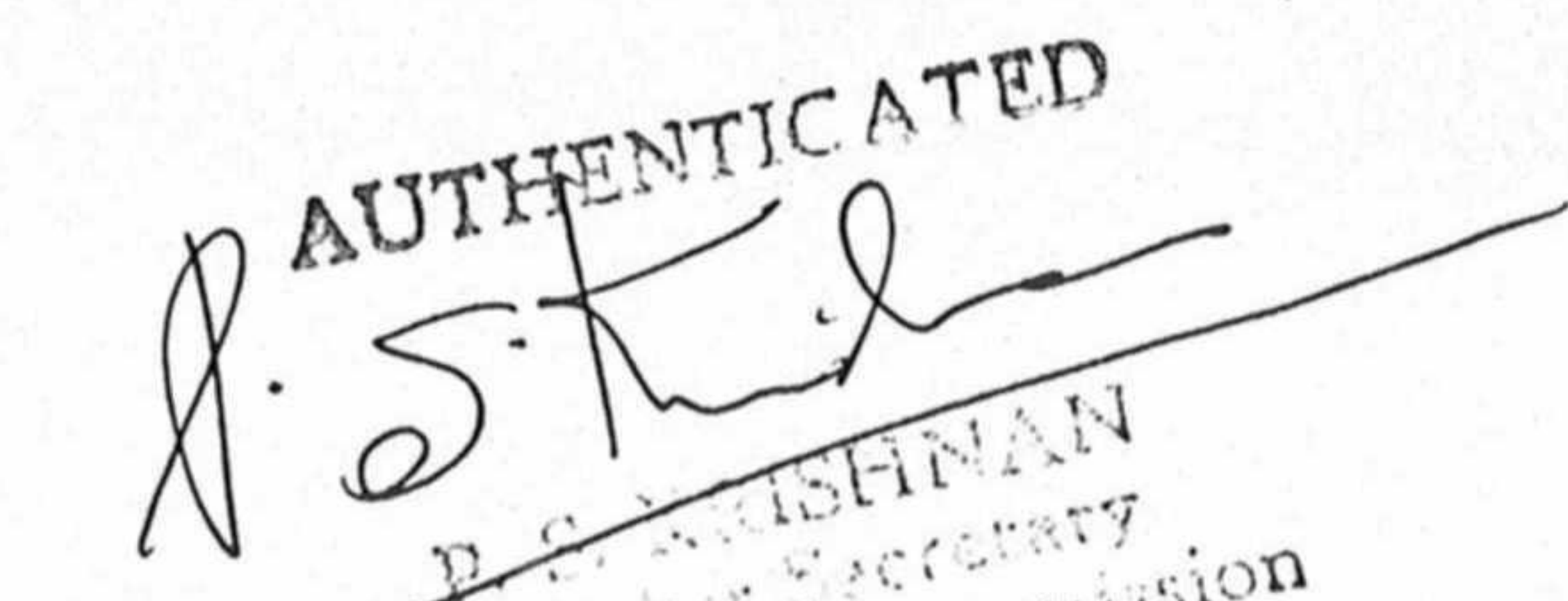

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V. Advice of the Commission

8. The commission considered and agreed in full with the above findings of the Tamil Nadu Bench and decided to tender the following advice to the Central Government under section 9(1) of the National Commission for Backward Classes Act, 1993 for necessary action by the Central Government under section 9(2) of the Act:-


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