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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR BACKWARD CLASSES
BIHAR BRANCH

DO Case No. Bih. 1/96

6. 2.1996

CASE: Inclusion of SHEKHRA community in the Central OBC

Dear Shri Saxena,

I am sending herewith the Advice of the National Commission for Backward Classes under Section 9(1) of the NCBC Act 1993 regarding correction of spelling error in respect of 'Shekhra' at entry no. 76 in the Central List of Backward Classes for Bihar for necessary action under Section 9(2) of the Act by the Central Government. The entry as it should be after the correction is given in the last para of the enclosed Advice.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

P.S. Krishnan
(P.S. KRISHNAN)

Shri K.B. Saxena
Secretary
Ministry of Welfare
Shastri Bhavan
NEW DELHI

Encl: As stated

June 1994 Shri Azimuddin, Minister, Government of India, Ministry of Welfare, for correction of the spelling mistake in the name of the community in the Central OBC list and he was advised to approach the NCBC. It appears that in the OBC list for Bihar as published in 1994 and also in the list of Bihar in the Mandal report the name given was BAKHRA and on that account the entry in the Central OBC list has been made as BAKHRA.

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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR BACKWARD CLASSES

BIHAR BENCH

CASE: Inclusion of SHEKHRA community in the Central OBC list for BIHAR.

REQUEST: Shri Mohmd. Azimuddin, Ex.Minister, Govt. of Bihar and seven others through a written petition stated that they belong to SHEKHRA community in Bihar and that this community is entered at Sl.No.55 of Schedule-1 of the Bihar State OBC list, but a spelling mistake has crept in the Central OBC list for Bihar in as much as the Entry at Sl.No.76 of the Central OBC list is printed as BEKHRA. It is stated in the petition that this mistake in the Central list is causing hardship to the members of the community in getting caste certificates and consequently they are being denied the benefit of reservation. It appears that as far back as June,1994 Shri Azimuddin had written to the Government of India, Ministry of Welfare requesting for correction of the spelling mistake in the name of the community in the Central OBC list and he was advised to approach the NCBC. It appears that in the OBC list for Bihar as published in 1978 and also in the list of Bihar in the Mandal report the name given was BEKHRA and on that account the Entry in the Central OBC list has been made as BEKHRA.

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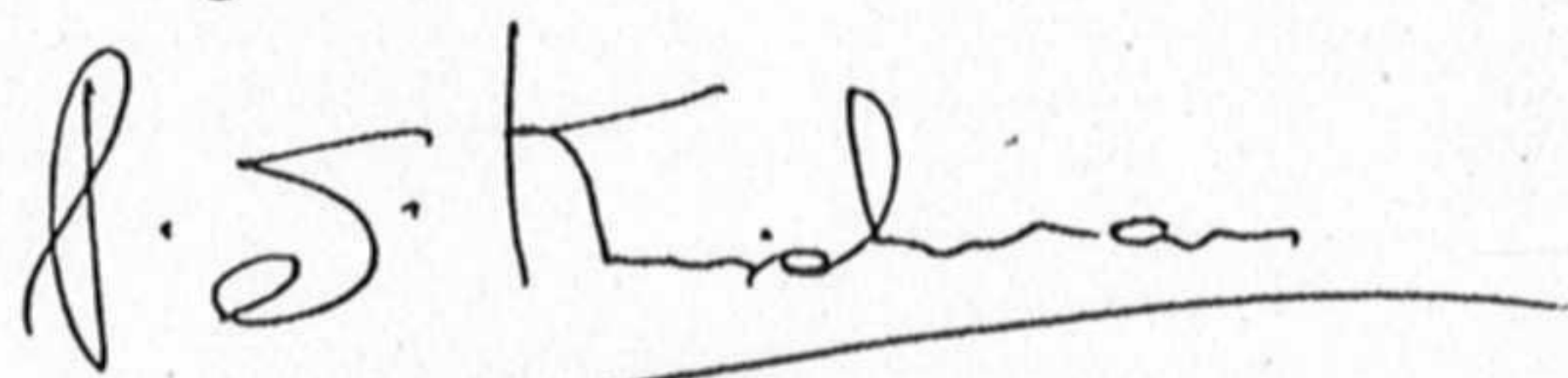
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PUBLIC The Two Member Bench of the NCBC for the State of
HEARING: BIHAR consisting of the Chairman Hon'ble Justice
R.N. Prasad and Member Hon'ble Dr. D.S. Yadav in
course of their sitting at Patna on 18.9.95 heard
Mohmd. Azumuddin and other representatives of this
community.

Shri U.N.Sinha, Vice Chairman of the OBC Reservation
Implementation Committee, Govt. of Bihar, and some
other Govt. officials were also present.

The Petitioners contention that the correct name of
the community is SHEKHRA and that there was a
misprint in the earlier Bihar State list of 1978 as
well as the list for Bihar in the Mandal report, was
supported by the aforesaid Government
representatives as well as representatives of
various other communities present at the time of
hearing. The Petitioners fortified their
contentions by pointing out that in the new list of
OBCs published in the Bihar Gazette(Extra Ordinary)
dated 7th January, 1992, the mistake has been
rectified and the correct name of the community
SHEKHRA is mentioned at Sl. No. 55 of Schedule-1 of
the said list. It was also submitted by them that
this is a Muslim community and its correct name is
SHEKHRA and that there is no community either Muslim
or otherwise having the name BEKHRA. This
submission was supported by all persons present at
the time of hearing.

The Questionnaire filled up by the Members of the
community show that the persons of the SHEKHRA
community are found mostly in the District of Araria
and to a lessor degree in the District of Purnia and
their presence in other Districts of Bihar is not at
all significant. It has also been stated that



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persons of this community are mostly labourers and that this community is extremely backward socially, educationally, and economically.

FINDINGS:

In view of the facts stated above, the Bench finds that the name of the community in question is SHEKHRA, which finds mentioned in the latest OBC list of the State of Bihar, and that its name BEKHRA as mentioned in the Central OBC list of Bihar is incorrect and needs to be rectified and entered as SHEKHRA.

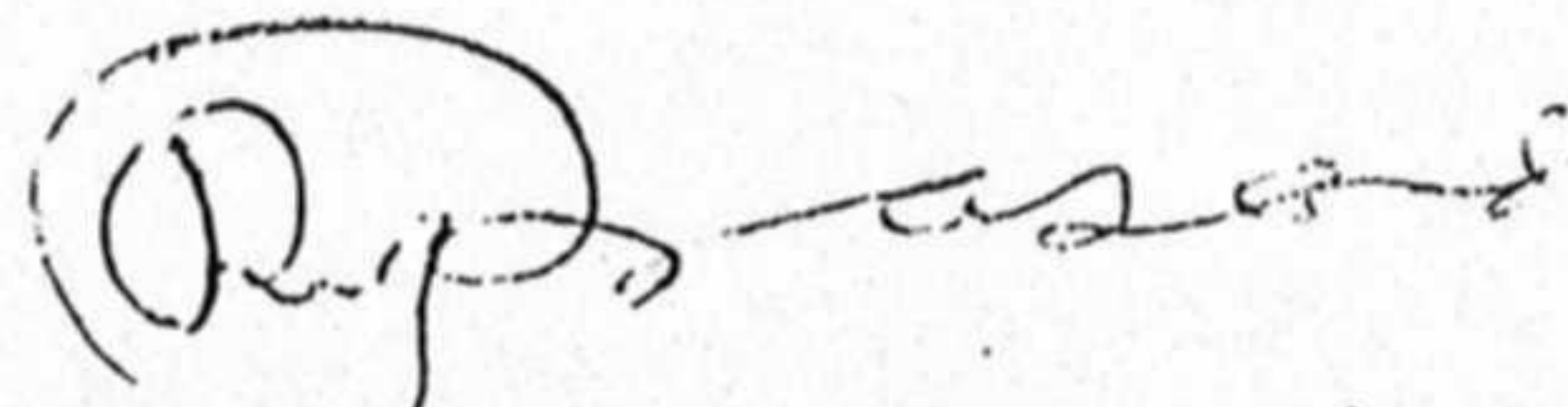
The Bench therefore, recommends that in the Central OBC list for Bihar, the Entry at Sl. No.76 be corrected by being written as follows:

"Entry No. 76 SHEKHRA"



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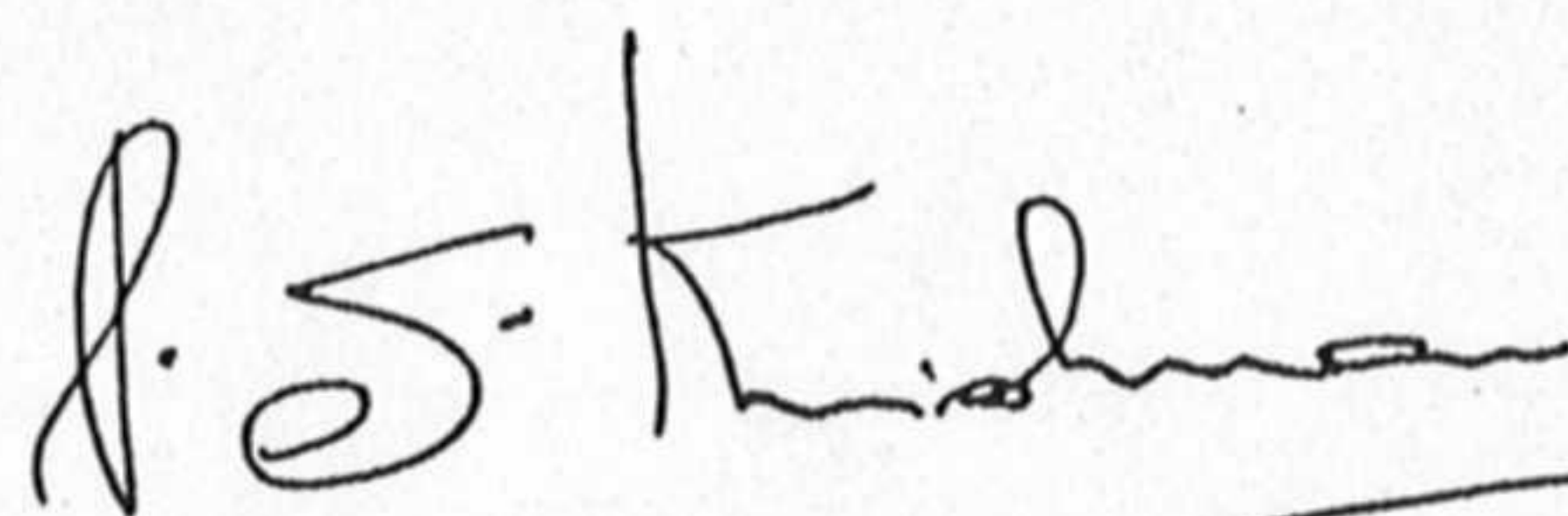
Member



(JUSTICE R.N. PRASAD)

Chairman

12.1.96



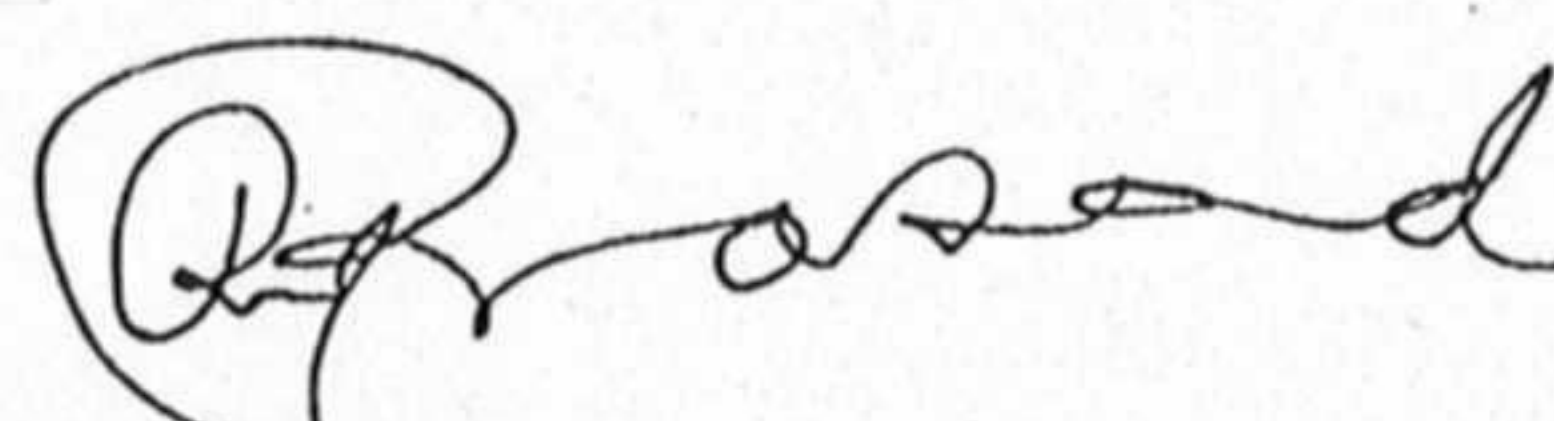
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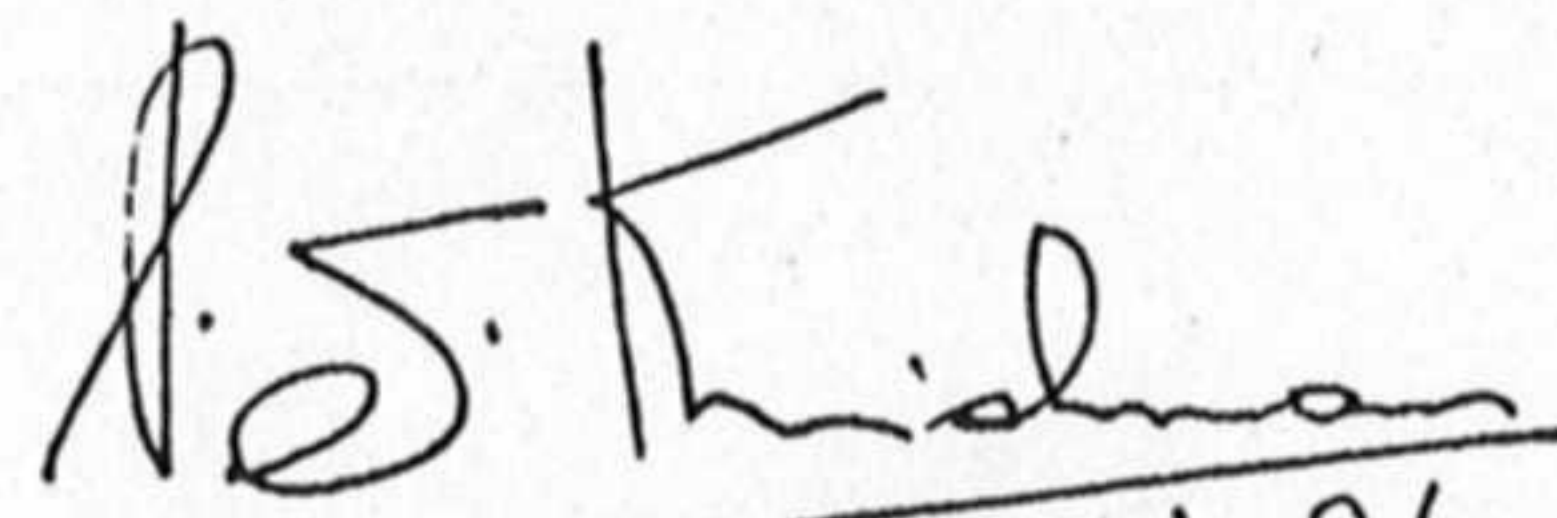
ADVICE OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR BACKWARD CLASSES
IN RESPECT OF CENTRAL LIST OF BIHAR

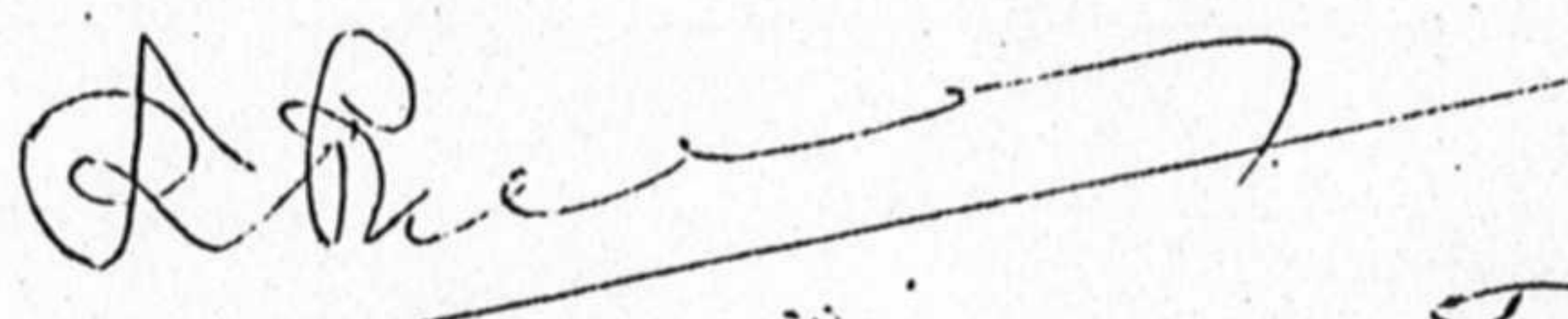
The Members of the Commission considered the findings of the Bihar Bench and being in full agreement formulate its Advice to the Govt. of India to the effect that in the Central list of Backward Classes for the State of Bihar, the existing Entry at Sl.No. 76 be deleted and in its place the Entry be written as follows:

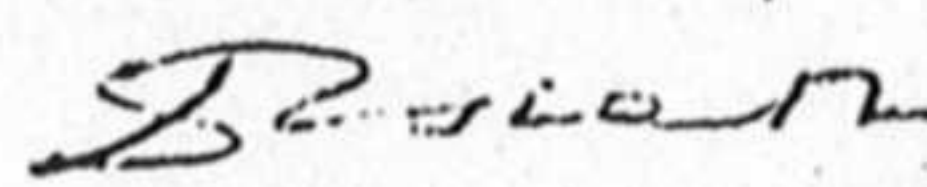
"76 SHEKHRA "

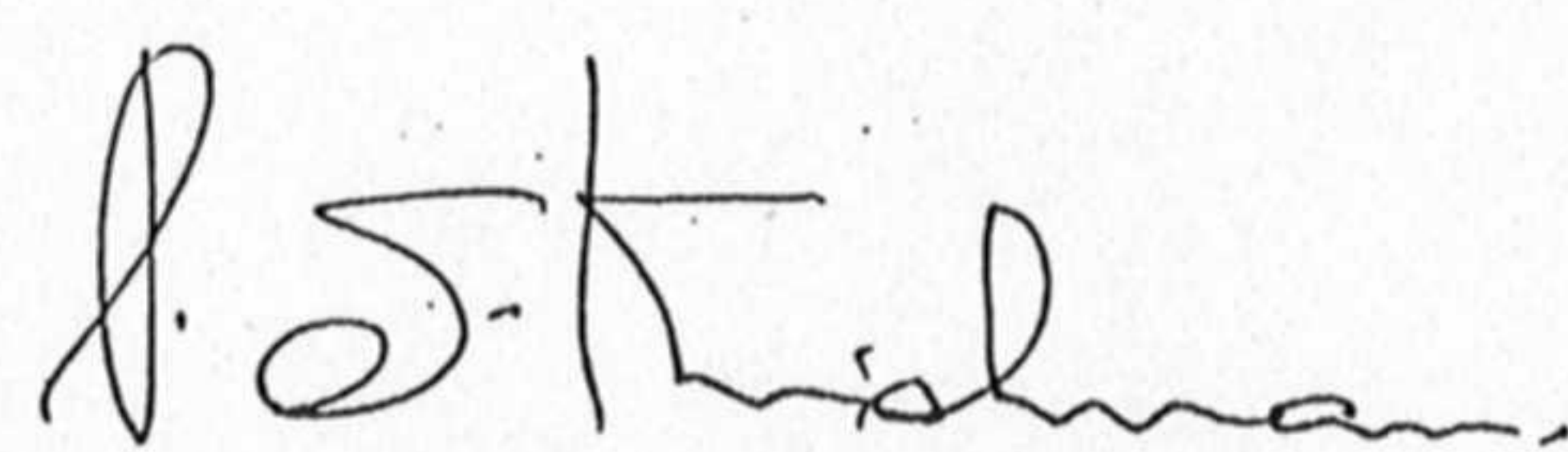

(Dr. D.S. YADAV)
Member


(JUSTICE R.N. PRASAD)
Chairman
24.1.96


(P.S. KRISHNAN)
Member


(DR. R. PRASANNAN)
Member


(PROF. D.L. SHETH)
Member
23-1-96.



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