

NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR BACKWARD CLASSES

Hon'ble Justice M. N. Rao, Chairperson

Hon'ble Shri S. K. Kharventhan, Member

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

Case: Request for Inclusion of "TAMERA" as synonym of THATHERA/THETHERA caste / community in the Central List of Other Backward Classes for the Union Territory of Chandigarh.

I. Request:

1. The Social Welfare Department of the Union Territory of Chandigarh has requested the NCBC to treat the community TAMERA as synonym of THATHERA/THETHERA in the Central List of Other Backward Classes for the Union Territory of Chandigarh.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

2. The Commission consisting of Justice M. N. Rao, Hon'ble Chairperson, Shri S. K. Kharventhan, Hon'ble Member and Dr. Shakeel-uz-Zaman Ansari, Hon'ble Member, held a Public Hearing at Chandigarh to consider the request of the State Government for inclusion of "TAMERA" as synonym of THATHERA/THETHERA caste / community in the Central List of Other Backward Classes for the Union Territory of Chandigarh on 12th March, 2013. The State Government was represented by Ms. Purna Puri,

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Additional Secretary, Personnel Department, Shri Vinod P. Kark, A.D.C. Chandigarh, Ms. Tanvi Garg, I.A.S., SDM (East), Chandigarh, Ms. Amandeep Kaur, SDM (S), Chandigarh, Shri Rajesh Jogpal, Director, Social Welfare Department, Shri Upkar Singh DPI (S), Chandigarh, Ms. Suman Khanna, Sr. Asst. O/O SDM (East); and Shri Bikram Singh Rana, SLO UT of Chandigarh.

III Findings

3. At the time of public hearing held at Chandigarh on 12th March, 2013, no member of the community was present to support the request of the Union Territory of Chandigarh.

4. In the earliest notification dated 6th October, 1979 issued by the Chandigarh Administration, at Sl.No.48, the communities mentioned are:

THATHERA, TAMERA.

In the subsequent Notification dated 27th June, 1995, at Sl.No.45, the communities mentioned are:

THATHORA/THETHERA, TAMERA.

In the Central List of OBCs for the UT of Chandigarh at Entry No.54, two communities mentioned are:

THATHERA/THETHERA.

5. The communities originally were described as THATHERA, TAMERA in 1979 itself. In the subsequent UT List at Entry No.45, the communities are also correctly mentioned as THATHERA/THETHERA, TAMERA. Therefore it is evident that from 1979 onwards the two communities THATHERA/TAMERA were being treated as synonyms. In the

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circumstances, we recommend that the community TAMERA be treated as synonym of THATHERA/THETHERA and be included at Entry No.54 in the Central List of OBCs for the UT of Chandigarh.

IV. ADVICE OF THE COMMISSION

6. 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 under Section 9(2) of the NCBC Act:-

“The caste/community **“TAMERA”** as synonym of **THATHERA/THETHERA** be included at Entry No. 54 in the Central List of Other Backward Classes for the Union Territory of Chandigarh as follows:

“54. Thathera/ Thethera, **Tamera**”

(Justice M. N. Rao)

Chairperson

(S. K. Kharventhan)

Member

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