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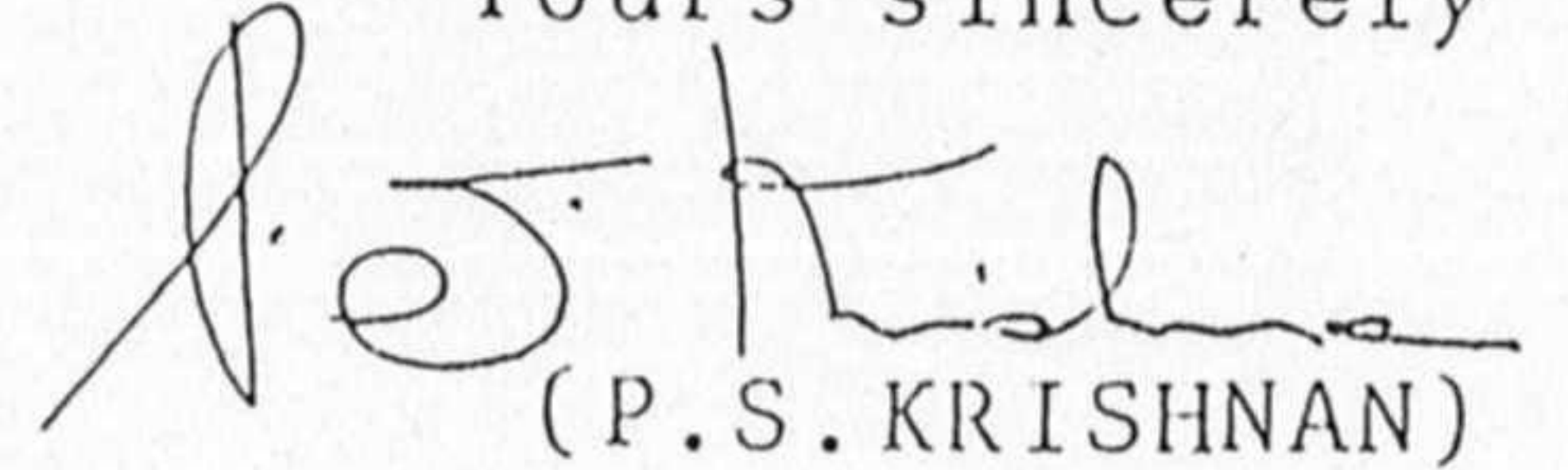
DO NCBC Advice No. ~~98~~ 98 Karnataka/98

28. 09. 1998

Dear Shri Manavalan,

I am sending herewith the Advice of the National Commission for Backward Classes under Section 9(1) of the NCBC Act for the Rejection of the Request for Inclusion of 'Halakshatriya' as a synonym of Idiga 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


(P.S. KRISHNAN)

Encl: As stated

Shri D.K. Manavalan
Secretary
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
Shastri Bhavan
NEW DELHI

NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR BACKWARD CLASSES

Karnataka Bench

Findings

Per Shri Justice P.K. Shyamsundar, Chairperson

Case: Request for Inclusion of "**Halakshatriya**" caste/community as a synonym of "**Idiga**" in the Central List of Backward Classes for Karnataka.

This case arises from the Request received in this Commission from the Shri Muralidhar, C/o Sri Raghavendra Enterprises, No.2961 MKK Road, Navarang Circle, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010, for Inclusion of **Halakshatriya** caste/community as a synonym of "Idiga" in the Central List of Backward Classes.

2. The two-Member Karnataka Bench of the Commission, consisting of Shri Justice P.K. Shyamsundar, Hon'ble Chairperson and Shri P.S. Krishnan, Hon'ble Member-Secretary, held Public hearings at Banaglore on the 27.10.97 and 28.10.97.

3. Despite repeated issue of notices, neither the applicant Shri Muralidhar nor any other representative of the "Halakshatriya" caste/community appeared before the Bench on 27.10.97. On the request of the Bench, the office of the Directorate of Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare personally intimated Shri Muralidhar to appear before the Bench on 28.10.97. But again the applicant failed to appear before the Bench on 28.10.97. He also failed to appear during the Public Hearing held earlier on 20.05.97.

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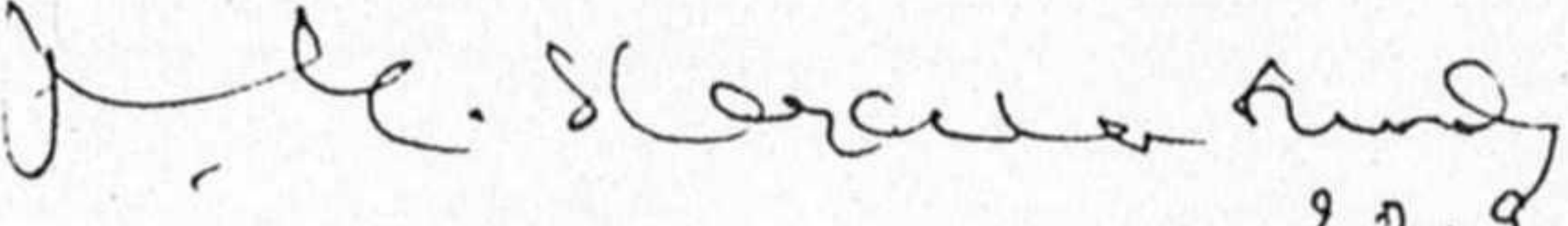
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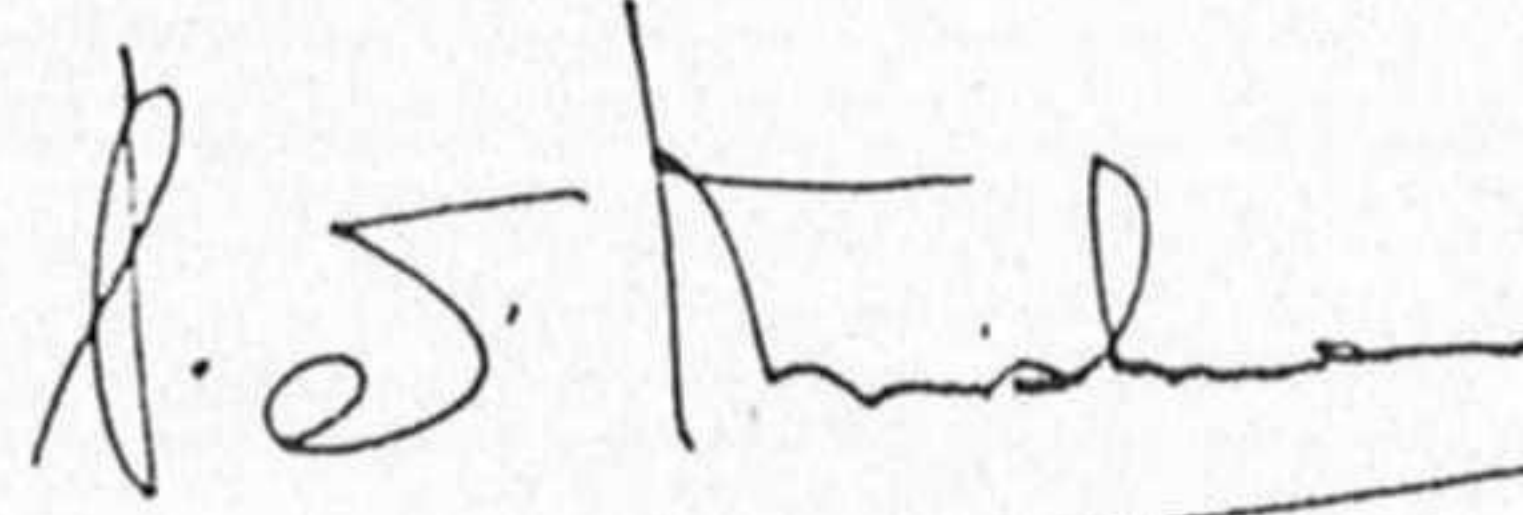
4. More regrettably, the State Government representatives, who were present at the hearing were unable to provide any information about this community and also failed to certify regarding its existence in the State of Karnataka otherwise.

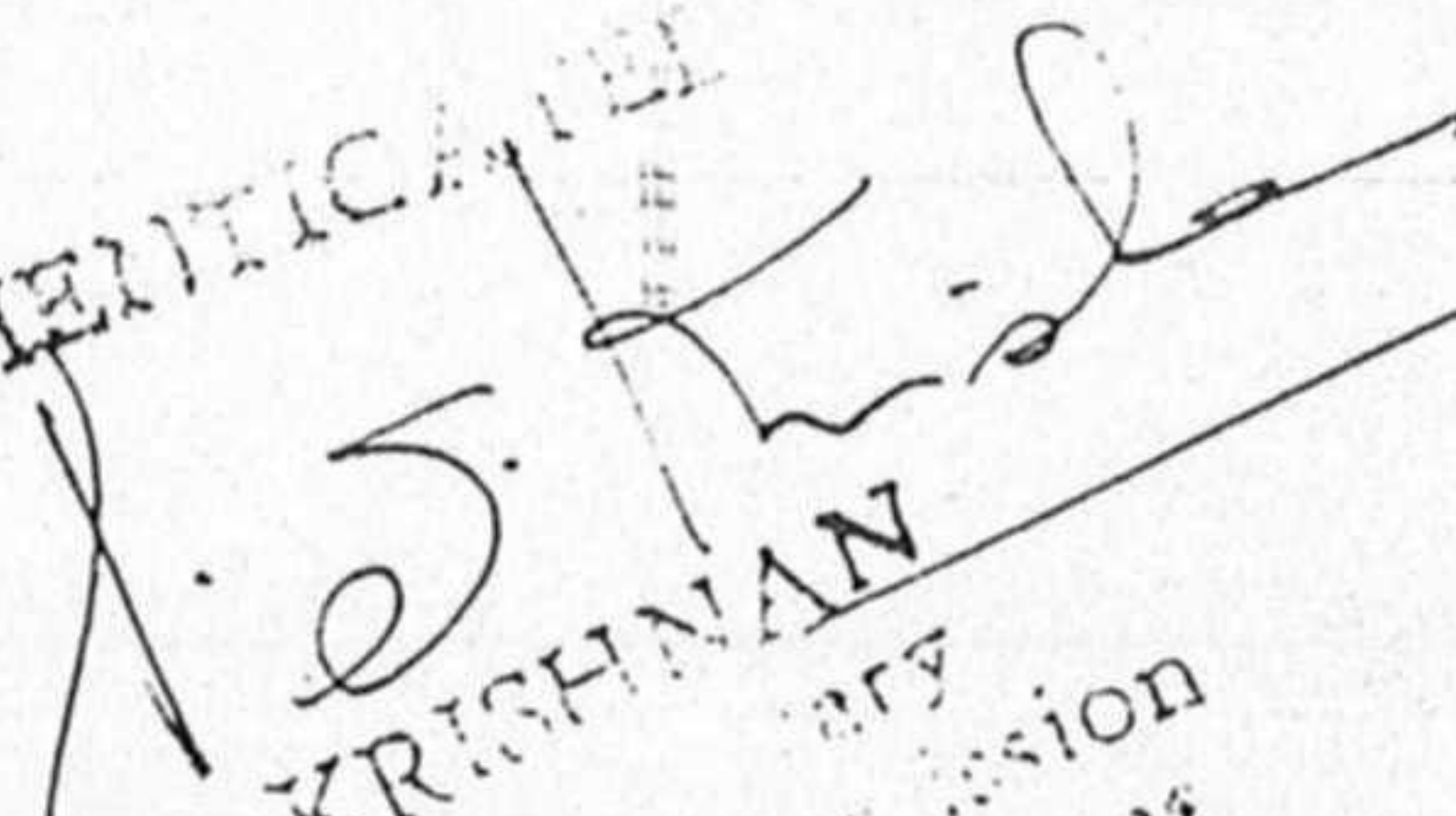
5. Our own research in Ethnographic literature like that of Edgar Thurston and K. Rangachari, L.K. Anathakrishna Iyer etc., has led us nowhere. We have drawn a blank in that behalf despite a diligent search.

6. In such circumstances i.e being unable to ascertain whether the **Halakshatriya** caste/community exists at all in the State of Karnataka, the further exercise of listing it as a backward caste is totally futile. The community having failed to turn up on more than one occasion despite repeated issue of notices and personal intimation leads to the suspicion that this application itself is phoney.

7. In this view of the matter, the only conclusion the Bench can arrive at is that this is a light-hearted application, not seriously followed up and therefore liable to be rejected. Government is advised to reject the same.


22.9.98
(Justice P.K. SHYAMSUNDAR)


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The Commission considered and agreed in full with the above Findings of the Karnataka Bench and decided to tender the following Advice to the Central Government under Section 9(1) of the NCBC Act 1993 for action by the Central Government under section 9(2) of the Act:-

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Note: On account of the unfortunate demise of one of the Members Shri Navtej Puadhi on 16.08.1998, this unanimous Advice of the Commission does not bear the signature of that Member. The validity of the Advice, notwithstanding the vacancy caused by the demise of the aforesaid Member, is protected by Section 7 of the NCBC Act, 1993.

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P. S. KRISHNAN
Member Secretariat
National Commission
for Human Rights
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