



GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Backward Classes Welfare Department - List of Socially and Educationally Backward Classes - Concessions in regard to reservations in Professional Courses, Services etc., - Change of the name of Kalavanthula as Surya Baliija in Group 'D' of the Backward Classes list - Orders - Issued.

BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE (B2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.20

Dated 19th July, 1994.

Read the following :-

- (1) G.O.Ms.No.1793, Education, dt. 23.9.1970.
- (2) From the Chairman, A.P.Surya Baliija Sangam, Representation, dt.1.6.1994.

ORDER :

In the G.O. 1st read above, Government declared that the castes and communities specified in the Annexure-I to that G.O. are socially and educationally backward and classified them into four Groups as 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D'. The Communities among other castes 'Kalavanthula', Ganika were included at Sl.No.14 under Group 'D' and at Sl.No.74 of the common list of Other Backward Classes in the Central list.

2. It has been represented by the Chairman, A.P.Surya Baliija sangam to Government that the age old Devadasi traditions were under exploitation in the name of temple services. With the prohibition of temple services in the early years of 1920, the people are termed as 'Kalavanthula' as they occupied in fine arts. But these people could not continue their occupations in fine arts and have engaged in other walks of life in different occupations like Tailors, Masons, employees, traders, agriculturists, farm labourers, Industrial workers etc. Though these people are thus carrying on in varied professions, the very caste name 'Kalavanthula' has been tempting the general public to recollect and recall the age old unsocial customs and conditions and the people particularly the working women and school going girls are put to mental agony on account of blemished social stigma in the name of 'Kalavanthula'. They have therefore requested the Government to change their caste name as 'Surya Baliija'.

3. After careful consideration of the matter, Government have decided to change the nomenclature of 'Kalavanthula' caste at Sl.No.14 under Group 'D' as 'Surya Baliija' to wipe out the mental agony of the caste people and to end the social humiliation on them. They (Government) accordingly issue the following amendment to G.O.Ms.No.1793, Education, dt.23.9.1970 :-

AMENDMENT

The following shall be inserted as against at Sl.No.14 under Group 'D' to Annexure-I to G.O.Ms.No.1793, Education, dt. 23.9.1970 and read as follows :-

SL.NO.14. SURYABALIJA (KALAVANTHULA), GANIKA.
(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

D.SIVA PRASAD,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT