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प्रधान मुख्य कार्मिक अधिकारी कार्यालय
Office of the Principal Chief Personnel Officer
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA (भारत सरकार)
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (रेल मंत्रालय)
RAILWAY BOARD (रेलवे बोर्ड)

No. 2021-E(SCT)I/25/2 New Delhi, dated: 03.07.2026

The General Manager (P)
All Zonal Railways & Production Units

The Director General/RDSO/Lucknow.

The CMD/M.D of all the PSUs/Autonomous Bodies under the control of Ministry of Railways

Sub:- Issue of Caste Certificate Format in Scheduled Languages – reg.
Ref:- DoPT's letter F. No. 43011/2/2022-Estt.(Res-I) dated 13.04.2023.

A copy of Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, DoP&T letter F. No. 43011/2/2022-Estt/(Res-I) dated 13.04.2023 on the above mentioned subject is enclosed herewith for information and necessary action.

2. The same may please be brought to the notice of all concerned for information/ necessary action and strict compliance.

3. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

DA:- As above.

03/07/26

(Brijesh Kumar)
Deputy Director/E(SCT)I
Railway Board,
Ph. No. 011-23047225
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F.No.43011/2/2022-Estt.(Res-I)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions
Department of Personnel and Training

North Block, New Delhi-110001
Dated the 13th April, 2023

To,

The Secretaries of all States & Union Territories

Subject: - Issue of Caste Certificate Format in Scheduled Languages - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to say that this Department has issued a letter No. 36036/2/2013-Estt.(Res.), dated 30.05.2014, prescribing a format for OBC caste certificate. All the candidates belonging to OBC community are required to submit the OBC certificate in the aforesaid format. Copy of the aforesaid letter is attached.

2. The Committee on the Welfare of Other Backward Classes in its report on "Measures undertaken to Secure Representation of OBCs in employment and their welfare in AAI" has observed that AAI has been accepting OBC certificates in scheduled languages while recruiting candidates belonging to OBC community. The Committee has recommended that DoPT may circulate guidelines to be followed by all Ministries/ Departments and PSUs thereunder regarding acceptance of OBC certificates in scheduled languages. They have also recommended that the digital copy of the OBC certificates may also be made online to verify the authenticity of such certificates by the recruiting organizations.

3. In view of the recommendations of the Committee, it is informed that there may be no objection if, in addition to the official language, the State/ UT Governments issue a caste/community certificate for SC/ST/OBC in any of the scheduled languages in the prescribed format. Further, it is requested that the State/UT Governments may make efforts to make available a digital copy of the such certificates online to verify their authenticity by the recruiting organizations.

4. This issues with the approval of Secretary (P).

Yours faithfully,

(Abhay Kumar)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
Tel. No.230923307

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Department of Personnel & Training
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North Block, New Delhi
Dated: 30th May, 2014

To,

The Chief Secretaries of
all the State Governments/Union Territories

Subject: Revision of format for OBC Caste Certificate

Madam/Sir,

The Government of India had issued instructions on 8th September, 1993 vide DoPT O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt.(SCT) providing for reservation to Other Backward Classes in the services and posts under the Government of India. The format of the Caste Certificate was prescribed vide Annexure A of the O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt.(SCT) dated 15th November 1993. In the said format, the then Ministry of Welfare's Resolution No. 12011/68/93-BCC(C) dated 10th September 1993 was mentioned, which contained the list of castes and communities treated as OBCs till that time. Since then, a large number of castes and communities have been added to the Central List of OBCs through various resolutions of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. The details of the resolutions subsequent to the Resolution dated 10th September 1993 do not find mention in the existing format. The said format also prescribes that the certificate issuing authority should certify that the candidate does not belong to the persons/sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to the aforesaid O.M. dated 8.9.1993.

2. Representations have been received in this Department wherein candidates belonging to OBC Communities have reportedly faced difficulty in getting the benefits of reservation. This is because of the fact that in the caste certificate issued by the concerned district authorities, although the name of the caste/community is mentioned in the certificate, the specific resolution by which the said caste/community has been included in the Central List of OBCs is not indicated.

3. Keeping in view such problems faced by the candidates, this issue was examined in consultation with the National Commission for Backward Classes and it has been decided to revise the existing format of OBC Caste Certificate. A copy of the revised format is enclosed (**Annexure**). All the certificate issuing authorities are requested to invariably mention the details of the **Resolution (Number and Date) by which the caste/community of the candidate** has been included in the Central List of OBCs and also to ensure that he/she does not belong to the persons/sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to the aforesaid O.M. dated 8.9.1993 as amended from time to time.

4. I am to request that the revised format of the Certificate may please be brought to the notice of authorities under the State Governments/Union Territories who are empowered to issue the Caste Certificate.

Yours faithfully

(Sandeep Mukherjee)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
Phone- 011-23092110

Copy to:

1. All Ministries/ Departments of the Government of India
2. Department of Financial Services, Jeevan Deep Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001
3. Department of Public Enterprises, Block No.14, CGO Complex, New Delhi-110003
4. Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, *Rail Bhavan*, New Delhi
5. Union Public Service Commission/ Supreme Court of India/Election Commission of India/ Lok Sabha Secretariat/ Rajya Sabha Secretariat/ Cabinet Secretariat/ Central Vigilance Commission/ President's Secretariat/ Prime Minister's Office/ Planning Commission
6. Staff Selection Commission, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi
7. Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
8. National Commission for SCs/National Commission for STs, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi
9. National Commission for Backward Classes, Trikoot-1, Bhikaji Cama Place, R.K. Puram, New Delhi(w.r.t. their letter No.NCBC/7/32/2012-RW dated 16.5.2013)
10. Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, 10 Bahadur Shah Jafar Marg, New Delhi – 110 002
11. Information and Facilitation Center, DoPT, North Block, New Delhi.
12. Director, ISTM, Old JNU Campus, Olof Palme Marg, New Delhi 110067
13. The NIC, DoPT with a request to upload it at the website of this Department in OMs & Orders →Estt.(Reservation) → SC/ST/OBC and also under *'What's New'*

FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES APPLYING FOR APPOINTMENT TO POSTS UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ son/daughter of _____ of village/town _____ in District/Division _____ in the State/Union Territory _____belongs to the _____community which is recognised as a backward class under the Government of India, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment's Resolution No. _____ dated _____*. Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ and/or his/her family ordinarily reside(s) in the _____ District/Division of the _____ State/Union Territory. This is also to certify that he/she does not belong to the persons/sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to the Government of India, Department of Personnel & Training O.M. No. 36012/22/93 – Estt.(SCT) dated 8.9.1993**.

District Magistrate
Deputy Commissioner etc.

Dated:

Seal

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*- The authority issuing the certificate may have to mention the details of Resolution of Government of India, in which the caste of the candidate is mentioned as OBC.

**-. As amended from time to time.

Note:- The term "Ordinarily" used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.