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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PRATHIBHA - Scheme for promoting quality and excellence in Education. -
Preparation of Merit list and selection of candidates - Certain norms issued by
C&DSE - Ratification - Orders - Issued.

EDUCATION (SE-EXAMS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.51

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Read the following

1. G.O.Ms.No.207, H.E.(EC) Dept., Dt. 28-6-1999

2. From the C&DSE, Lt.No.747/S1/99, Dt. 7-7-99.

ORDER:

Government in the G.O. 1st referred above have issued orders sanctioning "PRATHIBHA" Scheme for Meritorious students who excel in Public Examinations/Entrance Test from Class VII onwards for award of Merit Certificates, Mementos and Scholarships. It was further decided to formulate specific norms for the selection of the candidates. Accordingly the Commissioner & Director of School Education in consultation with Secretary, School Education and Principal Secretary, Higher Education, has prescribed norms and communicated to all District Educational Officers pending formal approval and ratification of the same by the Government.

The following norms as prescribed by Commissioner & Director of School Education accordingly, are hereby ratified:-

(i) A common merit list of candidates indicating the Date of Birth, total marks obtained, community to which he/she belongs, name of the school of the candidates should be prepared by each District Educational Officer, for classes VII and X for the students studying in recognized schools only. (The information with regard to 7th Class is available with District Educational Officers and the information in respect of 10th Class was furnished to the District Educational Officers by the Office of the Director of Government Examinations.)

(ii) The students who have not studied in recognized schools are not be taken into consideration.

(iii) From the integrated merit list, the candidates who are toppers among STs (both Boys and Girls) are to be selected in the first instant. After selecting STs, similar procedure is to be followed for selecting the candidates for the categories of SCs, BCs, Minorities, P.H. candidates and OCs one after the other.

(iv) The O.C. category means 'Other Castes' (after excluding STs, SCs, BCs, Minorities, P.H. candidates) and not 'Open competition'. After the candidates in O.C. are selected, in order to select candidates for the Women quota the following procedure is to be followed. The girls who have been selected in any of the categories, listed in item (iii) will be counted under the above categories only. From the remaining candidates in the merit list girls, who are meritorious regardless of caste or religion are to be selected.

(v) whenever there is a tie of marks among candidates in the same category, the marks obtained by them in non-languages are to be taken into account to resolve the tie. Even after following the said criteria, if the tie persists the Date of Birth is taken into account and the candidate who is elder in age has to be selected. Even after following the said criteria, if the tie persists the Date of Birth is taken into account and the candidate who is elder in age has to be selected. Even after adopting the above two criteria if tie persists, the marks obtained in only Mathematics are taken into account.

(vi) The marks obtained in the Second Language are taken into account for the purpose of arriving at merit in respect of X Class passed candidates. The marks obtained in Second Language were ignored for arriving at merit in respect of 7th Class passed candidates.

(vii) The candidates belonging to the Religious Minorities of Muslims, Christians, Buddhists, Parsees and Sikhs were considered under Minorities. The candidates belonging to linguistic minorities were not taken into consideration.

Government hereby ratify the action of the Commissioner & Director of School Education in having communicated the above norms and in finalizing the selections of the candidates under the Scheme Prathibha, under each Category for the VII Class and SSC Examinations.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner & Director of School Education, A.P., Hyderabad.
Copy to
The Higher Education (E.C.D) Department.
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