OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) in civil posts and services in the Government of India and admission in Educational Institutions.

In pursuance of insertion of clauses 15(6) and 16(6) in the Constitution vide the Constitution (One Hundred and Third Amendment) Act, 2019 and in order to enable the Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) who are not covered under the existing scheme of reservations for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes, to receive the benefits of reservation on a preferential basis in civil posts and services in the Government of India and admission in Educational Institutions, it has been decided by the Government to provide 10% reservation to EWSs in civil posts and services in Government of India and admission in Educational Institutions.

2. Persons who are not covered under the existing scheme of reservations for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes and whose family has gross annual income below Rs. 8.00 lakh are to be identified as EWSs for the benefit of reservation. Family for this purpose will include the person who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years. The income shall include income from all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession etc. and it will be income for the financial year prior to the year of application. Also persons whose family owns or possesses any of the following assets shall be excluded from being identified as EWSs, irrespective of the family income:
   i. 5 acres of Agricultural Land and above;  
   ii. Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above;  
   iii. Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
iv. Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.

3. The income and assets of the families as mentioned in para 2 would be required to be certified by an officer not below the rank of Tehsildar in the States/UTs. The officer who issues the certificate would do the same after carefully verifying all relevant documents following due process as prescribed by the respective State/UT.

4. Every Educational Institution shall, with the prior approval of the appropriate authority, increase the number of seats over and above its annual permitted strength in each branch of study or faculty so that the number of seats available, excluding those reserved for the persons belonging to the EWSs, are not less than the total seats available in the academic session immediately preceding the date of the coming into force of this O.M.

5. Instructions regarding reservation in employment and admission to educational institutions will be issued by DoPT and Ministry of HRD respectively.

(B.L. Meena)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

To
1. The Secretary, Department of Personnel and Training, North Block, New Delhi
2. The Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Subject: Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) for admission in Central Educational Institutions.

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution (One Hundred and Third Amendment) Act 2019, and the reference of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment vide OM No. 20013/01/2018-BC-II dated 17th January 2019, enabling provision of reservation for the Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) who are not covered under the existing scheme of reservations for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes, it has been decided to provide reservation in admission to educational institutions subject to a maximum of ten per cent of the total seats in each category. This would not apply to the minority educational institutions referred to in clause (1) of Article 30 of the Constitution of India.

2. The provision of reservations to the Economically Weaker Sections shall be in accordance with the directions contained in the OM No. 20013/01/2018-BC-II dated 17th January 2019 of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and shall be subject to the following:

   a) The reservations shall be provided to EWSs for admission in Central Educational Institutions, (as defined in clause (d) of section (2) of The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006) from the academic year 2019-20 onwards.

   b) The above reservation would not be applicable to the 8 institutions of excellence, research institutions, institutions of national & strategic importance as specified in the Schedule to The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006, as amended from time to time, and appended to this OM, and to the minority educational institutions referred to in clause (1) of Article 30 of the Constitution.

   c) Every Central Educational Institution shall, with the prior approval of the appropriate authority (as defined in clause (c) of section 2 of The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006), increase the number of seats over and above its annual permitted strength in each branch of
study or faculty so that the number of seats available, excluding those reserved for the persons belonging to the EWSs, is not less than the number of such seats available, in each category, for the academic session immediately preceding the date of the coming into force of this O.M.

d) Where, on a representation by any Central Educational Institution, the appropriate authority is satisfied that for reasons of financial, physical or academic limitations or in order to maintain the standards of education, the annual permitted strength in any branch of study or faculty of such institution cannot be increased for the academic session following the commencement of this Act, it may permit such institution to increase the annual permitted strength over a maximum period of two years beginning with the academic session following the commencement of this Act; and then, the extent of reservation for the Economically Weaker Sections shall be limited for that academic session in such manner that the number of seats made available to the Economically Weaker Sections for each academic session shall not reduce the number and the percentage of reservations provided for SC/ST/OBC categories.

e) The scheme for implementing the reservation for the EWS shall be displayed on the website of the institution as soon as possible, but no later than 31st March 2019.

3. The Chairman UGC, Chairman AICTE and Chairperson NCTE and the Bureau Heads of the Department of Higher Education in the Ministry of Human Resource Development responsible for management of the Institutions of National Importance are requested to ensure immediate compliance of this OM.

4. This issues with the approval of the Minister for Human Resource Development.

Encl: As above

(Smita Srivastava)
Director

1. Chairman UGC
2. Chairman AICTE
3. Chairperson NCTE
4. All Bureau Heads of Department of Higher Education

Copy to:
Chief Secretaries of all State Governments/UTs: with a request to give effect to the provisions of the Constitution (One Hundred and Third Amendment) Act, 2019 for all higher educational institutions funded/aided, directly or indirectly, by the State Government in such manner that the provision for reservation for EWS would become operational from the academic year 2019-20.
### SCHEDULE
(The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006)

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INCOME & ASSESS CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY ECONOMICALLY WEAKER
SECTIONS

Certificate No. __________ Date: ________________

VALID FOR THE YEAR __________

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari __________________________ son/daughter/wife of
_________________________ Post Office ___________ District _________ in the State/Union Territory
_________________________ Pin Code ___________ whose photograph is attested below belongs to
Economically Weaker Sections, since the gross annual income* of his/her "family"** is below Rs. 8
lakh (Rupees Eight Lakh only) for the financial year __________. His/her family does not own or
possess any of the following assets***:

I. 5 acres of agricultural land and above;
II. Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above;
III. Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
IV. Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.

2. Shri/Smt./Kumari __________________________ belongs to the ________ caste which is not
recognized as a Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes (Central List)

Signature with seal of Office ______________
Name __________________________
Designation __________________________

Recent Passport size
attested photograph of
the applicant

*Note 1: Income covered all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc.

**Note 2: The term "Family" for this purpose include the person, who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age
of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years

***Note 3: The property held by a "Family" in different locations or different places/cities have been clubbed while applying the land or
property holding test to determine EWS status.

G. [Signature]