

No.5021 (85)-BCW/MR-202/2009

December 4, 2009

ORDER

To

(1) The District Magistrate,

_____(2) The Sub-Divisional Officer,

WHEREAS the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Act, 1994 (hereinafter referred to as the said 'Act'), has provided for constitution of State Scrutiny Committee and Vigilance under section 8A and section 8B respectively;

AND WHEREAS, the said State Scrutiny Committee and Vigilance Cell have been constituted for verification of social status of a person belonging to SC/ST community and in whose favour a certificates already been issued following the provisions of the said Act; similarly, the State Government has constituted Vigilance Cell u/s 8B of the said Act inter alia to inquire into the cases relating to social status claim of a person of the SC/ST community and in whose favour a caste certificate has already been issued;

AND WHEREAS in absence of any legislation for the OBC category of persons, there is no provision for examination/verification of the caste certificates already issued to the persons belonging to the OBC categories;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governor is pleased hereby to direct that for the purpose of verification/examination of the caste certificates already issued to the persons of the OBC categories, the State Scrutiny Committee and the Vigilance Cell in the districts acting for the SC/ST communities shall act mutatis mutandis, in cases of verification/examination of the caste certificates issued to the OBCs.

By order of the Governor,