

Government of West Bengal
Backward Classes Welfare Department
Administrative Building DJ-4, Bidhannagar, Sector-II, Kolkata-700091
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No. BCW-22099/1/2022-SECTION(BCW)/DFA/1003626

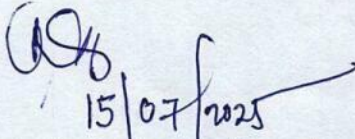
Kolkata, 15th July, 2025

Order .

In exercise of the power conferred by rule 6 of the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Rules, 1995 (hereinafter referred to as the said rule), the Governor is pleased hereby to publish, for information of the public that the Caste Certificate of the following persons stands revoked under the rule 5 ibid:-

Sl No.	Name	Caste Certificate No.	Authority who revoked
1	Apu Das S/o- Jadu Gopal Das	41263 Dated: 16.03.2005	SC Certificate cancelled by Alipore (Sadar) SDO vide order dated 07.05.2025

By order of the Governor



15/07/2025

Special Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal.

OFFICE OF THE
SUB-DIVISIONAL OFFICER, ALIPORE (SADAR),
SC/ST/OBC CERTIFICATE CELL
SOUTH 24 PARGANAS

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Memo No: 309/SC/ST/OBC

Dated: 08/05/2025.

To
The Assistant Commissioner for Reservation &
Assistant Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal
Backward Classes Welfare Department,
Administrative Building, 4th Floor,
DJ-4, Sector - II, Salt Lake,
Kolkata - 700091.

Sub : Regarding cancellation of caste certificate of Apu Das.

Ref : (i) BCW-19014/1/2023-SECTION/(BCW)/602597, Date-26.05.2023.
(ii) BCW-19014/1/2023-SEC(BCW)/774756, Dated- 14.05.2024
(iii) BCW-19014/1/2023 SEC(BCW)/938022, Dated- 24.03.2025

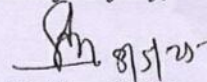
Sir,

In reference to the above, enclosed please find herewith the cancellation order sheet regarding caste certificate of Apu Das, which is self-explanatory.

This is for your kind information and taking necessary action.

Enclo: As stated.

Yours faithfully,

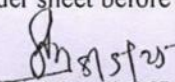

for Sub-Divisional Officer
Alipore (Sadar), South 24-Parganas.

Dated: 08/05/2025.

Memo No: 309/16/SC/ST/OBC

Copy forwarded for information to:

- 1) The Additional District Magistrate (Dev.), South 24 Parganas.
- 2) The Project Officer-cum-District Welfare Officer, Backward Classes Welfare, South 24 Parganas.
- 3) The Officer-in-Charge, Sarsuna Police Station with a request to serve the order sheet to Apu Das, s/o Jadu Gopal Das, 110/1, Kastodanga Road, P.S. - Thakurpukur, Kolkata - 700061.
- 4) CA to the District Magistrate, South 24 Parganas with a request to place the order sheet before District Magistrate for his kind appraisal.

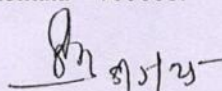

for Sub-Divisional Officer
Alipore (Sadar), South 24-Parganas.

Dated: 08/05/2025.

Memo No: 309/26/SC/ST/OBC

Copy forwarded for information to:


- 1) Apu Das, s/o Jadu Gopal Das, 110/1, Kastodanga Road, P.S. - Thakurpukur, Kolkata - 700061.
- 2) Palash Das, 315/A/1, Cripur Road, Konnagar, Dist. - Hooghly, PIN - 712235.


for Sub-Divisional Officer
Alipore (Sadar), South 24-Parganas.



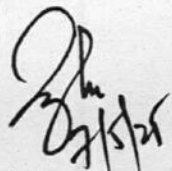
ORDER SHEET

- Order Sheet Dated : 7th May, 2025.
- District : South 24 Parganas.
- Sub-Division : Alipore (Sadar).
- Name of case : Complaint regarding issuance of SC certificate bearing no. 41263, Dt. 16.03.2005 of ApuDas, s/o JaduGopal Das, 110/1, Kastodanga Road, P.S.- Thakurpukur, Kolkata- 700061.
- Name of complainant : Palash Das of 315/A/1, Cripier Road, Konnagar, Dist. – Hooghly, Pin code –712235.
- Name of defendant : ApuDas,s/o Jadu Gopal Das, 110/1, Kastodanga Road, P.S.- Thakurpukur, Kolkata-700061.

Sl. No. and Date of Order	Order and Signature of Officer	Note of action taken
6/ 07th May, 2025 Dictated and corrected by me  Sub-Divisional Officer Alipore (Sadar)	<p>Today is fixed for hearing on the matter of consideration of show cause reply against the Notice issued for cancellation of caste certificate issued bearing no 41263 dated 16.03.05 in favour of Apu Das. It is revealed from the record that the notice of Show Cause was issued vide Memo no 273/SC/ST/OBC dated 24.04.25 to Apu Das s/o Jadu Gopal Das, the defendant of this matter having address 110/1, Kastodanga Road, P.S.- Thakurpukur, Kolkata-700061 in reference to the Order passed dated 17.04.25 by the Sub-Divisional Officer, Alipore (Sadar), South 24 Parganas.</p> <p>That, the show cause notice was attempted to be served through India Post vide consignment no. EW259354560IN but thesaid consignment returned to the Addressee on the ground mentioned "ACNL ". It is kept on records.</p> <p>Apu Das, the certificate holder neither appeared at the time of hearing nor submitted any reply against the show cause notice issued to him regarding cancellation of the certificate in reference Rule 3 of the West Bengal Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Rules, 1995.</p> <p>Perused the case records, it is revealed from the records that a complaint was received from Palash Das of 315/A/1, Cripier Road, Konnagar, Dist. – Hooghly, wherein it was alleged that Apu Das s/o Jadu Gopal Das, the defendant of this matter having address 110/1, Kastodanga Road, P.S.- Thakurpukur, Kolkata-700061, had fraudulently obtained SC certificate bearing no 41263 dated 16.03.05.</p> <p>Upon receiving aforesaid complaint, a hearing was scheduled on 30.06.2023 and notice was issued to defendant Apu Das and complainant Palash Das vide Memo No. 387/SC/ST/OBC, dt. 22.06.2023 and 388/SC/ST/OBC, dt. 22.06.2023 respectively.</p> <p>That, during the hearing dated 30.06.23, Apu Das was absent, but Palash Das appeared and prayed for the copies of supporting documents based on which the caste certificate was issued to Apu Das in 2005. He submitted the following documents in support of his claim:</p> <p>i) Office Memorandum issued by Deputy Director, Ministry of Home Affairs, GOI vide no. 14051/96/2021-F.VI (iv) on 18.10.2022 in the matter of cancellation of passport</p>	

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fraudulently obtained by the Bangladeshi National, Apu Das whose name is appeared in the Sl. No. 3 in the said memorandum allegedly carrying Bangladeshi Passport bearing no. AG3889039 and Indian Passport No. J7585511 respectively in the said memorandum, Ministry of External Affairs was requested to take appropriate action in this matter.

- ii) The status of e-ration card bearing no PHH 0543262618 issued in favour of Apu Das S/o of Jadu Gopal Das (downloaded on 06.06.23) was deactivated from the concerned department. In this regard the RTI reply from the Sr. Deputy Secretary Food & Supplies Department vide No 2306-FS/OSECTT/RTI/2R-52/2023 is taken into consideration.
- iii) Information sheet on deactivation of Aadhaar number 719071981540 under regulation 28 of the Aadhaar (Enrolment & Update) Regulations, 2016.
- iv) Information on Bangladeshi Passport of Apu Das, the passport bearing No. AG3889039 was issued on 27.03.2005.
- v) Electoral Roll published by the Bangladesh Election Commission on 31.01.2018 where name of one Apu Das was enrolled vide sl no 012.

That after considering the principle of natural justice, i.e. opportunity of being heard, instead of deciding the matter ex-parte, another date of hearing was scheduled on 24.07.2023, upon issuing hearing notice to Apu Das vide Memo No. 412/SC/ST/OBC, dated-14.07.2023.

That the said notice was directed to be served through Sarsuna Police station. The Officer-in-Charge, Sarsuna Police Station returned the copy of the said Notice due to unavailability of the Apu Das in the given address. He further submitted a report dated 24.07.23, wherein it was stated that the owner of the premises of the given address informed that no person namely Apu Das ever lived in this premises.

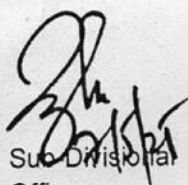
On the other hand, Palash Das appeared and claimed for cancelation of SC certificate in favour of Apu Das and again supplied the same supporting documents as submitted previously along with an additional document-

- i) Page no 22 of the Electoral Roll 111-panihati published on 01.04.23 and found that the name of Apu Das vide sl. No S2-567 EPIC no UWN1317338 marked as deleted from the Electoral Roll and while searching the said EPIC in the portal www.eci.gov.in, the said EPIC was not found.

However, a thorough search of the office records was made to ascertain the basis of documents, on which the alleged SC caste certificate bearing no. 41263 dt. 16.03.05 in favour of Apu Das was issued. Upon the search, it is found that the counterpart and issue register pertaining to alleged SC certificate, available in the office record, whereby it is revealed that the address mentioned in the alleged Caste Certificate

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presently does not fall under the jurisdiction of Alipore (Sadar) Sub-Division.

Hence, the matter was communicated to the Deputy Commissioner for Reservation & ex-Officio Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Backward Classes Welfare Department vide this Office Memo No. 354/SC/ST/OBC, dated- 04.07.2024 in order to determine the actual status of caste of Apu Das.

That, a communication has been received from the Assistant Commissioner for Reservation & Additional Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal vide Memo No. BCW-19014/1/2023-SEC(BCW)/938022, dated- 24.03.2025 along with report of the District Welfare Officer, Kolkata & Ex-Officio Joint Director, Backward Classes Welfare vide memo No. 383/BCW/KOL, dt.- 06/03/2025 regarding disposal of complaint pertaining to alleged caste certificate bearing no. 41263, dated- 16.03.2005 issued to Apu Das. It was further directed that the disposal of caste certificate matter is quasi-judicial in nature, so this instant case may be disposed of by concerned issuing authority after following the legal procedures in accordance with the law.

Furthermore, it was directed that for disposal of instant case, hearing notice may be published as well as served through local police authority, if hearing notice could not be served personally to the address of the certificate holder.

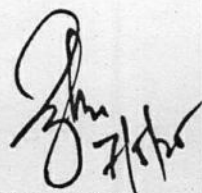
That the report submitted by the District Welfare Officer, Kolkata vide memo no 383/1(1)/ BCW/KOL dated 06.03.2025, revealed that a hearing was scheduled on 27/02/2025 at his office after issuing the hearing notice vide his office memo no 269/BCW/KOL dated 18.02.25 to Apu Das. But, the said hearing notice was returned as address couldn't be traced. Besides this a local enquiry was held by the Inspector, BCW & TD, Kolkata, Govt. of West Bengal to determine the actual caste status of Apu Das. The concerned enquiry officer also mentioned in his report that the certificate holder and mentioned address is neither traceable nor any local people could identify the said person and said address. As a result, the caste status of Apu Das could not be ascertained.

That, in pursuance to the letter of the Assistant Commissioner for Reservation & Additional Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, the next date of hearing was fixed on 17th April, 2025 and attempts were also taken to serve the notice through Indian Post vide consignment no EW30101296IN to Apu Das as per address mentioned alleged SC certificate and also to Palash Das.

Attempts were also made to serve the hearing notice to Apu Das through Thakurpukur Police Station and Sursuna Police Station vide Memo no 207/SC/ST/OBC dated 02.04.25. The DICO, South 24 Parganas was further directed to publish the hearing Notice in the daily newspaper.

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That, the Publication of hearing notice was made in the "Bartaman" Patrika on 4th April, 2025 at Page no. 10. Copy of the publication is kept on the record.

That, upon the perusal of the office record regarding service of Notice, it is revealed that Palash Das has received the said Notice in due time but on the contrary, it is revealed from the reports submitted by the different authorities that the notice of hearing could not be served upon Apu Das due to the reasons mentioned below:

- i) As per status of consignment no. EW301012961IN from Indian Post, it is found that "Item returned Addressee cannot be located".
- ii) The Thakurpukur Police station submitted report on 11th April, 2025, wherein it is stated that the notice of hearing issued from this office in the name of Apu Das son of Jadu Gopal Das of 110/1 kastodanga Road, PS – Thakurpukur (now Sarsuna), Kolkata -700061 was duly published at office of BL&LRO and two Traffic Guards under Thakurpukur PS jurisdiction and Diamond Harbour Traffic Guard in terms of Thakurpukur PS GDE no 867 dated 09.04.25.
- iii) On the basis of the report submitted by Sarsuna Police station it is found that the Apu Das could not be found at the given address i.e 110/1, Kastodanga Road, PS – Sarsuna, Kolkata -700061 and the local people of the same address was unable to provide any whereabouts of Apu Das. The notice of hearing was affixed on the wall of the said address.

That, on 17.04.2025, the case was taken up for hearing. However, both the parties were found to be absent.

Nevertheless, Mr. Palash Das has sent a reply in writing along with the documents previously submitted in connection with the subject matter of the hearing through Registered Post bearing consignment noRW754344935IN and the same was received by the office of the undersigned on 16th April, 2025 vide this office docket no 2874, which is being considered as the part of proceedings.

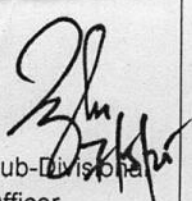
That, the report received from UIDAI vide memo no RO-RNC-25016/1/2025 RNC (Comp.NO 17289)/ 432 regarding sharing of information of Aadhaar card details of Apu Das in reference to the letter vide Memo no 210/SC/ST/OBC dated 03.04.25, is kept on the record.

After considering the rule 3 of the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Rules, 1995, a notice was issued to Apu Das, the holder of the certificate to show cause vide office Memo no 273/SC/ST/OBC dated 24.04.25, as to why the certificate issued in favour of Apu Das shall not be cancelled.

However, the said letter could not be served upon the

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certificate holder and the certificate holder has not taken any steps to defend himself against the objections raised by the complainant.

Whereas, the Rule 3 of the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Rules, 1995 read with the Memorandum No 1203-BCW/MR-88/2014 dated 27.07.15, states that if the certificate issuing authority is satisfied that a certificate under this Act has been obtained by any person by furnishing any false information or by misrepresenting any fact or by suppressing any material information or by producing any which is an act of forgery, it may cancel, impound or revoke such certificates.

That, all the information submitted by the complainant time to time has been taken into consideration. A written submission was also submitted, wherein it was mentioned that the parent of Apu Das does not belong to Scheduled caste community and his father namely Jadu Gopal Das had served as a professor in Bangladesh.

Additionally, it was mentioned that Aadhaar Card, Ration card, EPIC card and Passport of Apu Das had been cancelled / deactivated/deleted as per the Memorandum of Ministry of Home affairs and Union of India.

Furthermore, in support of his claim, he additionally submitted the documents as mentioned below:

- i) RTI reply from Nandannagar High School (H.S), the address mentioned in the class VIII passed certificate of Apu Das son of Jadugopal Das is 14/A, Netaji Pally, Nandan Nagar.
- ii) Verification report of Birth Certificate issued from District Record room, North 24 Parganas vide memo no 147/R.Room dated 14.11.22 in respect of Apu Das in connection with the Registration no 631, revealed that "Data Not Available".
- iii) Copy of seizure list (DR No 1816/23) by Ghola Police Station in reference to Case No 540/2020 in the matter of Palash Das vs Priya Das and others and it has found that EPIC Card, Aadhaar card, Ration Card, Passport and Pan card of Apu Das had been seized.

That, after considering all the facts and circumstances of the present case, I, Tamaghna Kar, WBCS(Exe), being the Sub-Divisional Officer and Issuing Authority of the caste certificate specially empowered by the Rule 5 of West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Rules, 1995, am of the opinion that the said certificate was obtained by the Certificate Holder i.e Apu Das by furnishing false information or by misrepresenting fact or by suppressing material information. Hence, the certificate bearing no 41263 dated 16.03.05 issued in favour of Apu Das is hereby stands cancelled and the order is passed ex-parte.

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The certificate holder, Shri Apu Das s/o Jadu Gopal Das is directed to surrender the said original caste certificate at the office of the Sub-Divisional Officer, Alipore (Sadar), South 24 Parganas.

Let an official complaint be filed in this connection at the Thakurpukur Police Station (presently Sarsuna Police Station) for further investigation and to initiate legal actions as per the provisions of Law.

Let the copy of the order be served to all concerned as mentioned in Rule 5 of West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Rules, 1995.

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