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## GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

SOCIAL WELFARE AND LABOUR DEPARTMENT

**Subject:—Instructions regarding issue of Caste Certificates to persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.**

### CIRCULAR

No. SWL 314 SET 81, BANGALORE, DATED 17TH JULY 1981.

In supersession of Government Circular No. SWL 296 SAD 77, dated 29th November 1977 regarding issue of Caste Certificate to persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, the following procedure should be strictly followed, while issuing Caste Certificate for the purposes of Article 15(4) of the Constitution.

The Tahsildar of the taluk concerned alone should issue the caste certificate to persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the form prescribed in Appendix-I to this Circular after duly obtaining a declaration from the candidate and also his parents/guardian (if parents are not alive) and also a declaration on oath in the form prescribed in Appendix-II to this Circular. The Tahsildar should issue the Caste Certificate after proper verification and reliable enquiry.

In the Government Order No. RD 153 EST 77, dated 18th August 1977 Government have exempted liability towards payment of duties chargeable under the Karnataka Stamp Act, 1957 in respect of affidavits sworn to or declarations made by persons belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in connection with the applications for Caste Certificates for educational purposes or for purposes of employment.

These instructions do not absolve the officers concerned of their responsibility to exercise due care and scrutiny in preventing ineligible candidates from obtaining Caste Certificates in a fraudulent manner.

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