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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

MINORITIES WELFARE DEPARTMENT – Minority Status Certificate to Private Educational Institutions – Guidelines issued – Proof of religious status of the Members of the Governing Body of the educational institution – Orders – Issued.

MINORITIES WELFARE (M&R) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.4

Dated:3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2004  
Read the following:

- 1) G.O.Ms.No.1, Minorities Welfare (M&R) Dept., Dated:16-01-2004.
- 2) From the Commissioner and Director of School Education, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad Lr.Rc.No.133/N2-2/2004, Dated:6-2-2004, 10-2-2004, 16-2-2004 and 19-2-2004.

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ORDER:

In the G.O. first read above, guidelines for issue of Minority Status to Private Educational Institutions for making admissions and appointments etc., were issued, wherein it is stipulated that:-

- (i) The educational agency managing the educational institution should be registered as a Society/Trust/Committee comprising of 100% members belonging to that religious minority to which they claim to belong; and
- (ii) Secondary School Certificate or any other equivalent record/Transfer Certificate from the schools in which they have studied shall be the basis for determining the religious status for admission in Minority Institutions.

2) In the reference send read above, the Commissioner and Director of School Education, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, while forwarding certain proposals for grant of Provisional Minority Status to the newly established Colleges of Education, for making admissions for the year 2003-04, since the counseling is scheduled has reported that certain managements of newly established Colleges of Education have furnished Community Certificates/Baptism Certificates attested by the Mandal Revenue Officers in support of their religious status. He has, therefore, requested the Government to take a suitable decision in the matter as per the provisions of the G.O.

3) Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby decide that for religious proof of the members of the Governing Body of the Educational Institution, the same criteria as being followed in case of the students shall be followed. Accordingly, the Government hereby order that Secondary School Certificate or any other equivalent record/Transfer Certificate from the schools, in which the members of the Governing Body of the educational institution have studied, shall be the basis for determining the religious status of the members of the registered Society/Trust/Committee, as in the case of admission of students in the minority institutions.

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

A.RAMALAKSHMAN,  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

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