



77 percent Reservation for SC-ST and OBC and Permanent Resident of 1932 on the basis of Khatian (Land Record)

Why In News?

- On September 14, 2022, in the state cabinet meeting chaired by Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren, 77 percent reservation for SC, ST, Backward Classes, OBC and economically weaker section members in state government jobs and the policy of 'locality' The proposal to decide on the basis of khatian of 1932 was approved.

Key Points

- Cabinet Secretary Vandana Dadel told in a press conference that the Cabinet has decided to amend the Reservation of Vacancies in Government Services Act, 2001 for 77 percent reservation for SC, ST, Backward Classes, Other Backward Classes and Economically Weaker Sections. Reservation Bill has been approved.
- The Cabinet has approved the introduction of separate bills in the state assembly to decide the policy of 'locality' on the basis of the 1932 khatian and to reserve a total of 77 percent government jobs for various classes, including 27 percent reservation to backward classes.
- The Cabinet also decided to get the two bills passed by the Assembly and sent to the Central government after the Governor's assent.
- Dadel said that the cabinet decided to request the central government to include both these laws in the Ninth Schedule of the Constitution, so that they cannot be challenged in any court of the country.
- The new bill to be brought to amend the policy of 'locality' will be called 'Bill 2022 to extend the definition of local persons of Jharkhand for the definition and identification of local resident of Jharkhand and the resultant social, cultural and other benefits to such local persons'.
- Vandana Dadel said that through this bill, the local people in the state will be defined and according to the cabinet decision, now only those who will be named in the khatian of 1932 in the state will be considered as local residents here. Those who do not own land or property will have to obtain proof from their gram sabha that they are residents of the state before 1932.
- In the proposed job reservation policy, there will be a provision to increase the reservation in state jobs from 10 percent to 12 percent for Scheduled Castes, from 26 percent to 28 percent for Scheduled Tribes and from 14 to 27 percent for other backward classes. It has been decided to provide 15 percent reservation for extremely backward classes and 12 percent reservation for backward classes.
- With the implementation of the government's decision, the total reservation for OBCs, Scheduled Castes (SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST) in the state will be 77 percent.
- The Cabinet has decided to provide 10 percent reservation for the economically weaker general category in the state through this proposed bill.

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