

**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA****Abstract**

Scheduled Castes Scheduled Tribes Development Department – Scheduled Caste (Cheramar) claim of Smt. Leelamma James @ Smt. Leelamma N I (Rtd. Headmistress, Muhammedans UPS, Changanassery), Enpathil Chira, Fathimapuram, Kottayam– Rejected - Orders issued.

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**SCHEDULED CASTES/SCHEDULED TRIBES DEVELOPMENT (G)  
DEPARTMENT**

G.O.(Ms)No.17/2026/SCSTD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 07-05-2026

Read:- Proceedings No. G3/43/2024/SCSTDD dated 31.03.2026 of the Chairperson, Scrutiny Committee for verification of Community Certificates.

**ORDER**

The Scrutiny Committee for verification of Community Certificates, constituted under the Kerala (Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes) Regulation of Issue of Community Certificates Act, 1996, as per Proceedings above rejected the Scheduled Caste (Cheramar) claim of Smt. Leelamma James @ Smt. Leelamma N I, Enpathil Chira, Fathimapuram, Kottayam district and recommended Government to take further action to issue orders in this regard.

2. Government have decided to accept the above recommendation and the Scheduled Caste (Cheramar) claim of Smt. Leelamma James @ Smt. Leelamma N I, Enpathil Chira, Fathimapuram, Kottayam district is hereby rejected with clarification on the following:

- Smt. Leelamma James @ Smt. Leelamma N I, Enpathil Chira, Fathimapuram, Kottayam does not belong to Scheduled Caste (Cheramar) community, but to Scheduled Caste (Cheramar) converted to Christianity which is included in the OBC list of the State.
- She will not be eligible for any of the benefits exclusively intended for members of the Scheduled Castes. If she had availed any benefits meant for members of the Scheduled Castes, all such benefits should be stopped.
- If the caste in respect of Smt. Leelamma James @ Smt. Leelamma N I, Enpathil Chira, Fathimapuram, Kottayam is recorded in her academic records as Scheduled Caste (Cheramar), it will be got corrected as Scheduled Caste (Cheramar) converted to Christianity.

- Scheduled Caste certificates will not be issued to her hereinafter. All the Scheduled Caste certificates acquired by her are treated as cancelled.
- If she got appointment/admission on consideration as member of Scheduled Caste community, she should be terminated from service/admission should be cancelled and another eligible member of the Scheduled Caste community shall be appointed/admitted against the resultant vacancy.
- The authorities concerned shall initiate actions stipulated in Section 15, 15A, 16, 16A, 17 and 29 of The Kerala (Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes) Regulation of Issue of Community Certificates Act,1996 against her.
- Any amount paid to her by the Government or any other agency by way of scholarship, grant, allowance, stipend or any other financial benefits shall be recovered as if it is an arrear of public revenue due on land.

3. Compliance report on the above orders will be furnished to Government by all concerned, at the earliest.

(By order of the Governor)  
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ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

To:

1. Smt. Leelamma James @ Smt. Leelamma N. I., Enpathil Chira, Fathimapuram, Kottayam-686102 (By Speed Post).
2. The Director, Scheduled Castes Development Department, Thiruvananthapuram (Member, Scrutiny Committee for verification of Community Certificates)
3. The Director, KIRTADS, Chevayoor, Kozhikkode – 17 (Member, Scrutiny Committee for Verification of Community Certificates)
4. The Vigilance Officer, KIRTADS, Chevayoor, Kozhikkode-17.
5. The District Collector, Kottayam.
6. The District Collector, Alappuzha.
7. The Director, General Education Department, Thiruvananthapuram.
8. The Deputy Director of Education, Kottayam.
9. The Tahsildar, the Changanassery Taluk.
10. The General Education Department, Govt. Secretariat.
11. Sri. M J Alex, Enpathil Chira, Fathimapuram, Edathwa, Alappuzha-689573.
12. The Director, Information & Public Relations Department (For Press Release).
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