Declaration of Religious Minority status to the Jew Community of Gujarat State

Government of Gujarat

Department of Social Justice and Empowerment
No.LDS/102017/CM-153/A1

Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar

Date:06/07/2018

Read:

- (1) Labour, Social Welfare and Tribal Development Department, Gujarat G.R. No. MNC/1079/F.31/LUS Dt.14/11/1979
- (2) Labour, Social Welfare and Tribal Development Department, Gujarat G.R. No. MNC/1079/7586/LUS Dt.06/03/1980
- (3) Social Welfare and Tribal Development Department, Gujarat G.R. No. MNC/1080/86337/Minority Cell Dt.06/01/1981
- (4) Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Gujarat G.R. No. SSP/1109/1663/A Dt.27/04/2010
- (5) Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Gujarat G.R. No. LDS/102011/1086/A.1 Dt.24/07/2012
- (6) Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Gujarat G.R. No. LDS/102014/97/A.1 Dt.07/05/2016
- (7) Social Justice and Empowerment Department, Gujarat G.R. No. LDS/102014/97/A.1 Dt.19/08/2016
- (8) Letter No. DCW/GEN/17-18/102, Dt. 15/01/2018 from Director, Developing Caste Welfare, Dr. Jivraj Mehta Bhavan, Gandhinagar.

Preface:-

Six religious communities such as Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains have been declared as religious minorities by Government of India and Gujarat State in their respective jurisdiction. The Jews living in the Gujarat State have represented before Gujarat State Government that their population in Gujarat is very thin, in comparison with Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Jains. Therefore, they also deserve to be declared as religious minority community. Director, Developing Caste Welfare vide his letter dt.15/01/2018 recommended with convincing reasons that the Jew community deserves to be declared as religious minority

community in Gujarat State. This matter was under active consideration of the State Government.

Resolution:-

After careful consideration, Gujarat State Government hereby resolves to accord religious minority community status to the Jew community living in Gujarat State. As religious minority members professing faith of Judaism, they shall get the religious minority rights envisaged in the constitution and various acts and rules of the state government. They shall get benefits of welfare schemes formulated for religious minority communities within the Jurisdiction of Gujarat State. Certificate issuing competent authorities are directed to issue religious minority status certificates to the members of this community as per procedure laid down by rules and regulations from time to time in this behalf.

By order and in the name of Governor of Gujarat,

(K. G. Vanzaka)

Additional Secretary to Government of Gujara

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