

ALL INDIA BACKWARD CLASSES FEDERATION

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MANIFESTO AND CHARTER OF DEMANDS

"Unity of BCs is the key for our entry
into the Parliament and Legislatures"

"Our every single vote is precious"

Let us exercise it for the cause of Social Justice and Empowerment

Prologue

1. Backward classes, i.e., SCs, STs, and OBCs constitute about 85% of the Indian population. For more than 3000 years, BCs have been deprived of education and jobs of their choice and were forced to serve the upper caste ruling classes. It is to say that they were deprived of equal opportunities and not allowed to express & demonstrate their abilities. This led not only the BCs remain backward and captive to upper castes, but also the country to remain backward.
2. It is our holy book "The Indian Constitution" written by Dr. B. R. Ambedkar granted for the BCs equal rights and opportunities without any discrimination, treating all Indians equal before the law whether the rich or poor, upper caste or backward classes.
3. But, even after 79 years of Indian independence, the social, educational, economic and political status of BCs remained unchanged, and the fruits of the development have not reached to them.
4. Large majority of BCs, that is, about 80% of them are landless, and many among them are artisans and small occupational castes who lost their professions and jobs due to technological advancements, globalization and free trade. They have been pushed to remain as laborers for want of proper education, training & skills, coupled with lack of attention and support from

the successive governments. Further, the occupational and traditional vocations of the artisans have been taken over by the rich upper castes by bringing in the modernized gadgets and technologies, like modern laundries, fish trawlers, jewelry making, etc., forcing the poor washermen, fishermen, goldsmiths etc., to work as laborers in their respective fields.

5. On the other hand, BCs are doubly punished by the dual education system of corporate private educational institution and the poorly managed and ill-equipped government schools. It's a known fact that the education in Panchayat /Zilla Parishad /Government /Nagar Palika/ Atal Adarsh Vidyalaya Schools is not up to the expected standards in the country. This has been pointed out time and again by many educationists, politicians, and social activists. Rich and privileged upper caste educate their children in CBSE, ICSE, Deheradoon Schools or international schools and ultimately they become the rulers of the country by occupying more than 75% of Class-I services in the Central and State Governments. B.P. Mandal has rightly said in his report that "There is equality only among equals. To equate unequals is to perpetuate inequality.
6. A 10th Class pass out student of government school can never be able to compete with the pass outs of CBSE, ICSE and International schools as the education and training offered to the elite and rich class children in corporate schools is always different from the government school.
7. Efforts to provide free toilets and cooking gas connections to the poor is welcome, but this will not help them in getting equal access to education & employment due to their poverty and social backwardness and hence the fruits of development do not reach the poor backward class communities. It is shocking to note that 60% of cooking gas connection beneficiaries did not go for refilling their cylinders due to their poverty. Unfortunately, the government does not consider them as EWS. Thanks to the British Government which conducted caste-based census of population of undivided India upto 1931, and based on such 90 years old data, our reservations are based. Thereafter no government at the Centre thought of conducting socio-educational-economic-political and caste-based census. The

Governments at the centre and states kept social justice on backpedal, and hence the backwardness, discrimination and inequalities continue to exist in the country.

8. The social discrimination, atrocities and social boycotts have become common on some of the vulnerable BC castes by the upper castes in the country. Therefore, to safeguard their rights, there is a need for an Act to prevent atrocities on BCs similar to the SCs and STs Atrocities Prevention Act.
9. BCs are neglected by the successive governments for being fragmented on their castes. When we fight individual caste wise, we are small and ignored. But when we come together and work in unison, we can become strong and big and the government will pay attention to our justified demands. In the backdrop of the above-stated inequalities, ill-treatment, suppression and deprivation of social justice to the backward classes, the All India Backward Classes Federation (AIBCF) was formed in 2018 under the stewardship of Justice V Eswaraiah, former Acting Chief Justice of High Court of Andhra Pradesh and former Chairman, NCBC Govt. of India. The Association was established with a basic purpose to bring justice and equality to the backward classes in the country and to function as a united platform of backward classes for the cause of securing the constitutional rights and social justice to them.
10. Further, the AIBCF strongly considers that it is the time for the backward classes to unite and rise to achieve social justice and equality in all fields like education, employment, legislature, judiciary, High Courts, Supreme Court and Parliament. And the struggle of BCs should continue till they achieve equality and social justice.

Objectives of AIBCF

The primary objective of the All India Backward Classes Federation is to ensure social justice and equality to the so-far suppressed and underprivileged Backward Class communities, and to achieve the goal of "Our Share in Proportion to Our People" in all fields of activities such as education, employment, representation in local bodies, legislature, Executives, Nominated Posts, Judiciary, High Courts, Supreme Court and Parliament. The other objectives of AIBCF are:

- i. To improve the condition of the socially and educationally backward classes (BCs) in India and to take steps to remove the backwardness and to make appropriate representations & recommendations to the Central and State governments.
- ii. To educate and enlighten the socially and educationally backward classes for their unity and to secure the social, economic and political justice for them;
- iii. To work for the equality of status, equal opportunities and to promote fraternity among the backward classes assuring the dignity of individuals and unity and integrity of the nation.
- iv. To ensure proper implementation of reservations to all the backward classes in admissions to educational institutions including private educational institutions, either aided or unaided by the state under Article 15(4) and Article 15(5) of the Constitution of India.
- v. To work to ensure equality of opportunity in the matters of public employment and adequate representation for OBCs in the Central and State government services including the Public Sector, at all levels and cadres.
- vi. To ensure the caste-based enumeration comprising of social, educational, economic, employment, cultural and political status caste census of all the citizens of India, for the purpose of scientific approach in implementation of reservations in education, employment, representation in local bodies, legislature, Executives, Nominated Posts, Judiciary, High Courts, Supreme Court and Parliament, and also in all other private sector appointments.
- vii. To build and establish a value-based society without corruption, exploitation, oppression, suppression, discrimination and to provide quality education imparting moral, spiritual and value-based character of human beings for an enlightened society and a strong Indian nation.
- viii. To unite the Backward Class Castes and unions, and increase the awareness among the BCs of their rights, guaranteed by the Indian

Constitution for social, political and economic justice and to engage them to fight for their rights peacefully and democratically

- ix. To work to sustain social justice movements, to motivate and educate the people from different walks of life and different parts of the country to promote the Constitution's "VISION" of social, economic and political justice and social transformation of India and the "MISSION" to secure the Constitutional Democracy.
- x. To develop collaborations with the Government, NGOs, Unions, Associations, Organizations and the people to bring under one umbrella for the "2nd National Movement for a Progressive, Casteless, Enlightened and a Developed India by 2036.

Our Charter of Demands

The Manifesto and Charter of Demands to achieve our objectives and to bring development to the backward class communities with the ultimate aim for a developed India are presented here under to impress upon the Central and State Governments to realize the need for taking appropriate measures for the development of BCs who were deprived of social justice in all these years.

A. Social, Educational, Economic, Employment, Cultural and Political Status of all Caste Census 2021:

We appeal the Government to take up the social, educational, economic, employment, cultural and political status Caste Census, 2021 under Census Act 1948 r/w Article 342 A of the Constitution of India needed for planning of social, educational, economic and political development of Backward Classes and proper implementation of reservations. This will also help each caste / Varna gets its justified share in admissions in educational institutions, jobs and other areas putting an end to the dominance of some castes over the other Respecting Hon'ble Supreme Court which has been time and again asking for collecting exact caste-based data, the Government should consider social, educational, economic, employment, cultural and political status Caste Census of 2021 census in the ongoing enumeration from 2026 on priority basis to provide social justice to all the people of the country.

2. **Establish Separate OBC Ministry in the Union Government:**

To establish a separate OBC Ministry and allocate budget to the OBC Ministry in proportion to their population for the overall development of BC's and particularly to upbringing de-notified tribes in the OBC list, most Backward classes and more Backward Classes for their Education, Health, Economic, Social and Welfare measures.

3. **Implementation of all the recommendations of the Mandal Commission's Report:**

Implementation of the Mandal Commission Report in toto is the long pending demand of the BCs' of which, increasing the OBC reservations from the existing 27% to 50% in proportion to their population is the major demand. On the contrary, the present Government went on to offer 10% reservations to the EWS among the upper castes, purely on economic criteria, without any demand, survey or taking consideration of EWS population from the upper castes. When the total population of upper castes are not even 15% in the country and the population of economically weaker sections, below the prescribed criteria not even 5%, the government volunteered to provide 10% reservations to the economically weaker sections among the upper castes is unconstitutional. We appeal the government to implement 50% reservations for BCs whose population is 54% in the country is a justified demand.

4. **Provide reservations for BC Women in proportion to their population in the Women Reservation Bill:**

The Parliament in September 2023 passed the constitution 128 Amendment Bill 2023 known as **NARI SHAKTHI VANDAN ADHINIYAM**, providing reservation for women 1/3rd of the seats in Loksabha, State Legislatures and Legislature of NCT Delhi. To respect, regard, honour and empower the BC Women, **AIBCF** demands that the BC Women must be provided reservations in the Women's Reservation Bill in proportion to their Population.

5. **Providing Reservations in promotions for BCS/OBCS:**

Similar to the promotions available for SC/ST employees, there need to be reservations in promotions for OBCs also.

6. Provide Political Reservations to Most Backward Classes:

To establish an equal society without discrimination, and dominance of few advanced castes in the society, political reservations are required for MBCs and Nomadic Tribes in proportion of their population in all the elected bodies from Panchayat Board Members to Parliament level on the lines of reservations offered to the SCs and STs. Today, we rarely find any MBC person as MP or MLA or Counselor, though the MBCs account for about 36% in our population. The Government is requested to implement political reservations to the MBCs and Nomadic Tribes to become part of the governance of the country and to develop faith in them that in the democratic system of governance, the downtrodden and suppressed classes do have a share in proportion to their population. Otherwise, they feel alienated.

8. Revision of Creamy Layer in OBC Reservations:

The creamy layer is a reason for rejection of the qualified OBCs into the government service. This resulted in 60-70% Class-1 posts in central and state governments occupied by the upper caste people who constitute only about 15% of the population. Large majority of OBCs, i.e., 80% of them today are agricultural, construction, industrial and domestic laborers who can only aspire for class IV and class III jobs and those who can qualify for central services have been deprived because of the creamy layer clause. This appears like a conspiracy against OBCs to stall them from entering into the government services. As per the existing creamy layer policy the parents who gets the promotion as Class-II or Class- I officers after attaining the age of 40 years, their children are getting reservations as the salary income is not clubbed with other income. Both the parents who got the promotion as Class-II after attaining the age of 40 years and drawing the salary about Rs. 25 lakhs per annum their children are availing the reservations. Similarly, even if both the parents are appointed as Class-III officers and gets promotion after attaining the age of 40 years as Class-I officers and though the salary income of both the parents is about Rs. 30 lakhs their children are availing the reservations. But the salary of both the parents working in the private sector as elementary school teachers and getting about Rs.9 lakhs per annum their children are denied

reservations on the ground that the salary income of the parents of the candidates is above the creamy layer limit of Rs. 8 lakhs. The NCBC has submitted its report on the income criteria for Creamy Layer of OBCs vide No. NCBC/MS/1/2015 dated: 26.10.2015 need to be considered for doing justice to the OBCs in availing of their reservations in the public sector. The said report may be Implemented. Some of the allotted quota out of 27% OBC reservations is de-reserved on the ground of the Creamy Layer and given to the General Classes illegally and without any justification. **AIBCF** demands for removal of creamy layer clause for OBCs immediately, so that that the OBCs can get their rightful share of reservations as per their classification / Category wise.

9. **Implementation of Reservation in Private Sector:**

There are a large number of private sector units like schools, colleges, universities, trusts, industries, Corporate houses, Hospitals, Print and Electronic Media houses etc which have taken benefits from the government in terms of allotment of land at concessional rates, subsidies etc, but do not have reservation policy for the weaker sections in such organizations. The Banks / Central Government has written off about Rs.12.08 lakh crores between FY16 to FY25 who have siphoned the public money and escaped from India namely **Mehul Choksi (Gitanjali Gems Ltd.)**, **Nirav Modi (PNB Fraud)**, **Vijay Mallya (Kingfisher Airlines)**, **Jatin Mehta (Winsome Diamonds & Jewellery)**, **Vikram Kothari (Rotomac Global Private Limited)** and **Sandesara Group (Sterling Biotech)**. And some of the Industrialists who are in India got written off Thousands of Crores with the help of the Banks and the Government such as **Anil Ambani Group of Companies**, **Jhunjhunwala Brothers**, **Khudos Chmie Ltd.**, **Ruchi Soya Industries Ltd.**, **Ramdev' Patanjali**, **Zoom Developers** and **Subbarami Reddy**, the total written off amount is coming nearly 68,600 Crores. It is the time now for the Government to make a provision and provide the reservations to the Backward classes, viz., SCs, ST's, and OBCs in such private sector.

10. **Provision of Reservations in Judiciary and Constitution of National Judicial Service Commission**

Representation of Backward Classes in High courts and Supreme Court is almost negligible. Providing reservations in the judiciary is important to bring overall justice to the deprived classes. Providing reservations at all levels of judiciary to BCs and constitution of national and state level Judicial Service Commission will be an important measure of securing social justice.

11. **Constitution of NCBC headed by Supreme Court/High Court Judge to ensure implementation of Reservations:**

The benefits of reservations are not reaching the BCs for one or the other reason and their share is transferred to upper castes. As a result, whatever the meager reservations offered to BCs, are not reaching them. Non-implementation of reservations gives the impression that governments are not serious about the development of BCs. The constitution of NCBC headed by a Supreme Court/High Court Judge as a Chairperson will ensure the implementation of BCs reservations, hence the present Government is requested to re-constitute NCBC

12. **Relaxation of 10 years of experience as Professor for appointment of Vice-Chancellors:**

A negligible number of OBC faculty members/professors are employed in Universities in the Country To provide an opportunity for them for the position of Vice-Chancellors, the 10 years of professorship clause be relaxed to 5 years.

Since there are no reservations for the post of professors for the BCs, reservations shall be provided for the appointment of the posts of professors in both Central and State and Private Universities

13. **Nationalization of School Education to Ensure 'One Education to All**

Due to the dual educational policy of the Government, backward classes are unable to compete with the upper castes, as the latter get education in corporate and international schools whereas, the

BCs study in Nagarpalika and State Board Schools where the standard of education is deplorable and un-comparable with the corporate schools. Besides, in the families of upper castes, there are already engineers, doctors, Class-I officers who motivate and educate their children. This makes a lot of difference. Marc Galanter states that in the context of India, fair competition is only justifiable amongst equals. B.P. Mandal has rightly said in his report that "There is equality only among equals. To equate unequals is to perpetuate inequality. Therefore, the Government is requested to introduce a single education policy for all. This will be the real development of the country and that may achieve "Sabka Sath Sabka Vikas and Sabka Vishwas" in real sense.

14. Nationalization of Primary Health Services:

There is a pressing need to nationalize primary health services so that everyone gets the best treatment by specialist doctors, and each hospital must be equipped with testing and diagnostic equipment. An amount of Rs. 10 Lakh as medical grant-in-aid per annum per family is to be provided to BPL families for treatment of seriously ill patients who can get the treatment either from government or private hospital on the recommendation of primary health center/hospital. The Government is requested to establish such a network of Primary Health Centres.

15. Ensure Full Rights to STs on Jal, Jangal & Jamin:

Scheduled Tribes lands are being taken over by the government or captured by the people with muscle power in connivance with local political leaders, MLAs or MPs in power. There should be a check on such practices. The Government is requested to pass a bill protecting the full rights of STs on Jal, Jungle, and Jamin.

16. Inclusion of Nomadic Castes of Haryana in the STs List:

A large number of nomadic population of Haryana state are waiting for their inclusion in the ST's list. They need to be identified and included in the ST's list at the earliest to get the benefits of reservation, they deserve, but deprived in all these years after the Independence.

17. **Distribution of Government Unutilized Lands and Surplus Land under Land Ceiling Act to Landless SC, ST, and OBC**

Unutilized Government lands and the surplus lands under land ceiling under Land Ceiling and agricultural holdings Act need to be allotted to landless SCs, STs, and OBC to make a dignified living. Further, lands already allotted to SCs, STs, and OBCs is sometimes back need be restored the possession immediately. Respective State Governments have to ensure the possession of such pieces of land, and to take up fresh allotments for the deserving SCs, STs, and OBC

18. **Benefits to the OBCs par with SC & ST**

Model the benefits to the OBC students, employees, entrepreneurs and farmers on par with SC and ST beneficiaries.

19. **Confer posthumous Bharat Ratna on Mahatma Jyotirao Phule and Savitribai Phule**

20. **Withdrawal of 10% EWS Reservations to Unreserved Category:**

The present government provided the uncalled for reservation of 10% to EWS aiming at benefitting the upper caste people. Further, the 10% EWS reservation has ignored the EWS families among BCs and MBC's. The EWS reservations are brought in without any proper research and study, Economically Backward Classes Commission did not recommend any kind of reservations to EWS of unreserved category but the government has unilaterally granted EWS reservations to the upper caste people on the criteria of economic backwardness. Hence, the Government is requested to withdraw 10% unconstitutional reservations to EWS of upper-class castes and do the justice to OBC

21. **Reservation for SCs, STs, and OBCs as Priests in Temples**

There are more than a crore of small and big temples across the country. Presently, Brahmins have 100% reservations in temples and earning huge sums from lakhs to crores of rupees per month without income tax. Hence, the Government is requested to provide reservations to SCs, STs, OBCs, and upper castes in proportion of their population in the posts of priests in the temples. It is justified

that reservations be given to all the castes and communities, both backward classes and upper castes in proportion to their population.

22. Updating and Reviewing of Survey of BPL Families:

Crores of deserving BC's and weaker sections of the country are not included in BPL., due to which they are not able to avail of the benefits from the government welfare schemes. BPL card is the right of the deserving families. Lack of awareness among the poor, illiterate families on one side, and the government or the officials inability to reach them on the other hand, has resulted in not identifying the deserving BPL families in the country. Therefore, it is demanded that the government and its officials should focus on identifying the actual BPLs and provide the needed support to them.

23. Abolish Castes and Verna Vyavastha and Save the Country

The castism and Verna Vyavastha are the roots of Hinduism which are detrimental to the harmony and development of the nation. The caste system and Verna Vyavastha have made Shudras to suffer extensively in the hands of Brahmins and upper caste people for more than 3000 years. We may recall that the slogan to discriminate 'Brahmins and non-Brahmins' given by the then Justice Party in Tamil Nadu in 1917 which brought them to power in 1920. The manifesto of the party favoured equitable share to all castes including Brahmins in admission to education and jobs and rejected the dominance of Brahmins. India is a peculiar country in the world wherein, in spite of the advancement of education, casteism is not eradicated, rather its roots are getting deeper and deeper. No Governments have moved an inch forward in this direction rather they have found advantages in casteism. Banning of caste indicating suffix and prefix word with name from all records probably can solve this problem to some extent and the governments have to work in this direction.

24. Legislation for prevention of Atrocities against OBC :

Bring in a separate legislation for Prevention of Atrocities on OBCs to protect them against atrocities and exploitation by the forward classes, or the state officials.

25. **Affirmative Action on Online Filing of FIR:**

It has been generally observed that Police Stations function and operate under the influence of local muscle power and politicians, and do not treat the poor, uneducated and other backward classes equally. As a result, lot many crimes like rape, murder, exploitation, atrocities, etc on BCs go on unreported. Online filing of FIR is to be effectively implemented, and the needed action is taken irrespective of the caste, poor or rich. In such cases, police accountability can be easily fixed and the rate of crimes will get reduced. Poor, uneducated SCs and MBC's are being soft targets of the crime. Rickshaw pullers, laborers, poor MBCs' girl child rape cases are on the rise particularly from the northern part of the country and because of which BCs are reluctant to send their girl children to schools. This kind of atrocities on backward classes may find a solution with the online registering of FIRs

The Last Word

It is the time for all the Backward Class Communities and their Associations and Unions to unite under one umbrella to fight for equality and social justice, and for achieving the primary goal of "Our Share in Proportion to Our Population" in education, employment, representation in local bodies, legislature, Executives, Nominated Posts, Judiciary, High Courts, Supreme Court and Parliament.

The vision of **AIBCF** is for building such a society, where there is no discrimination in the name of caste, rather to bring a casteless society, no discrimination between poor and rich, and where everyone is assured of equality and social justice in all aspects. "When there is no exploitation of man by man, no unemployment and there is no fear in the mind of losing job, bread, home can be called independence in real sense...". The **AIBCF** is aiming at such a society

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Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Sayings

"Lack of education lead to lack of wisdom, Which leads to lack of morals,
Which leads to lack of progress, Which leads to lack of money,
Which leads to the oppression of the lower classes,
See what state of the society one lack of education can cause!
We must become the change we want to see. Live as if you were to die
tomorrow. Whenever you have truth it must be given with love, or the
message and the messenger will be rejected... Don't listen to friends when
the Friend inside you says 'Do this.... The good man is the friend of all
living things

Quotes by Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar

1. "They cannot make history who forget history".
2. "Be Educated, Be Organised and Be Agitated"
3. "I like the religion that teaches liberty, equality and fraternity"
4. "Life should be great rather than long".
5. "If I find the constitution being misused, I shall be the first to burn it."
6. "Cultivation of mind should be the ultimate aim of human existence".