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 **Hon’ble Sri Justice V. Eswaraiah**

He was an Advocate, Government Pleader, Standing Counsel etc. for a period of 22 years in the High Court of undivided State of Andhra Pradesh. He was a Judge of the A.P. High Court for 14 years and retired as Acting Chief Justice in 2013. He decided 69,000 cases judiciously, impartially, without prejudice or fear or favour as per the oath taken under the Constitution.

He was appointed as Chairperson, National Commission for Backward Classes, Government of India for a period of 3 years from 2013-2016 holding the status of Union Cabinet Minister. During his tenure as a Chairperson of NCBC, he made various recommendations among them the following are the major:

1. To confer Constitutional status for the NCBC on par with National Commission for Scheduled Caste and National Commission for Scheduled Tribes with all equivalent powers under the Constitution;
2. To publish 2011 Socio-Economic Caste Census and categorise the OBCs into Most Backward Classes, More Backward Classes and Backward Classes based on the degree of their Social Backwardness;
3. Liberalise the Creamy layer criteria and not to eliminate the Children of the parents who are working below the rank of Group A/Class I officers. The children of the parents who are holding the Constitutional posts such as Judges of the High Court or Supreme Court, Ministers, Governors, Ambassadors, etc. alone comes under the Creamy layer. The Salary and Agricultural Income of the parents who are working under the private sector and public sector whose position cannot be equated as directly recruited Group A/Class I Officer cannot be clubbed in the income criteria. The Income criteria should be raised upto Rs.30 lakhs per annum.
4. To provide the reservations for the OBCs, SCs and STs in the private sector also;
5. To provide reservations to the OBCs in all the aided and unaided private Educational Institutions, Kendriya Vidhyalayas, Navodaya Schools, from KG to PG including the Medical, Engineering colleges, etc.;
6. To provide reservations in the Sub-Ordinate and Higher Judiciary, Ministerial Judicial services of all the States wherever they are not provided such as in NCT Delhi;
7. Not to adjust the OBCs, SCs and STs in the reserved Quota if they are selected on merit on the ground that they have availed certain relaxations of fees, age, number of attempts etc.;
8. To provide same facilities and similar recognition to the OBC Employees Welfare Associations similar to that of SC and ST Employees Welfare Associations;
9. To treat the caste certificate valid for lifetime while giving creamy layer certificate separately valid for 3 years;
10. To award Bharat Ratna to Mahatma Jyotirao Phule;
11. The historical advice submitted to the Government in 2014 rejecting the request of the Government and the JAT caste/communities of 9 States for their inclusion in the Central OBC list;

The advise of the NCBC was upheld by the Supreme Court of India in the case of Ramsingh Vs. Union of India in (2015) 3 Scale 570 while squashing the order of the Government of India. As a result of which they are not in the Central OBC list but the JATs of Rajasthan who are included in the year 2000 and all of them are in the States OBC list.

He has noticed that the Backward Classes are being subjected for Social Injustice and all types of exploitation in many forms by the People of the ruling class. He has vast knowledge about the inequality and discrimination of the Backward Classes from ages together which is being continued perennially. He has also studied through the life histories of Social reformers such as Chatrapati Shivaji, Sri Jyotirao Phule, Sahu Maharaj, Narayanguru, Ram Manohar Loya, Gadhge Baba, Jayaprakash Narayana, Periyar Ramaswamy, Dr.B.R. Ambedkar, etc. He has travelled all the States of India extensively and also visited all the neighbouring countries i.e., Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka and also European Countries as well as United States of America, to know the social structure of the society in the world.

Keeping in view of the historical social injustice, exploitation of the Backward Classes in all forms and to secure the social, political, economic justice, equality, fraternity and to protect them from discrimination, the people of India resolved the Constitution into a sovereign, secular, democratic, republic providing the fundamental rights and directive principles to create an egalitarian society.

Though 70 years have been elapsed, the Constitutional objects have not been achieved so far. The only difference in getting the freedom and independence is that the ruling class replaced the British rulers.

Keeping in view of his character, credentials and contribution to secure social justice the Backward Classes of the many States of India met at Delhi and requested him to lead the Backward Classes moment. Accordingly, the All India Backward Classes Federation (AIBCF) has been registered (Registration no.215 of 2018) under the Societies Registration Act. He is now the President of All India Backward Classes Federation.

As per the Memorandum of Association, **“Backward Classes”** means those classes (castes, communities) as are Constitutionally recognised and notified by the Government of India from time to time i.e., Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes (Socially and Educationally Backward Classes). The Other Backward Classes as notified by the Government of India are not only from Hindu community but also from Muslims, Sikh, Buddhist etc. The Aims and Objects are framed to achieve the Constitutional goal.

The Objectives resolution of the All India Backward Classes Federation is to create Varnamukth Society for the progress of the masses in India. Protect the cultural plurality and promote the cultural developments and social progress to secure political and economic justice. The Backward Classes are the builders of country’s economy and it is time for them to work for their self-empowerment. Federation takes the responsibility to eradicate the untouchability fully by employing legal, administrative, educational, economic and political means and dedicate that tribute to Mahatma Phule and Dr.B.R. Ambedkar by relentlessly working to achieve the goal. To treat our women with complete equality in every field and equal representation. To workout a suitable policy to ensure the rights of the Tribes so that the total reclamation from pathetic condition is achieved. To make all efforts to get the qualitative education in public sector in all levels. To bring primary health needs in the public sector and to workout health insurance policy in the country. To eradicate all traces of untouchability, tribal exploitation, caste based differences, gender discrimination, religious discrimination and to workout to our total liberation.

The All India Backward Classes Federation is uniting and bringing various organizations, Associations, federations under its umbrella to strengthen the mass movement by educating and enlightening the Backward Classes. So far the President Justice V. Eswaraiah has visited various States and formed the Adhoc State Level, Regional and District Level Action Committees. The AIBCF has demanded the various political parties to include in their Political Manifesto and also support the following People’s Agenda:

1. The Federation demands to withdraw the Constitution (103rd Amendment) Act, 2019
2. The Federation demands to bring in legislation providing 100 point roaster in all departments of the State, Central public sector undertakings etc., providing reservations for OBCs in proportion to their population.
3. The Federation demands to provide the reservations for OBCs similar to the SCs and STs in education, employment, political in proportion to their population and also to provide reservations in appointments of the Judges of the High Courts and Supreme Court.
4. The Constitution (108th Amendment) Bill 2008, was passed by Rajya Sabha in 2010 but lapsed in 2014 in the Lok Sabha. The Federation demands that Women’s Reservation in legislatures should be provided for with the Rule of OBCs Reservations under the Constitution.
5. The Federation demands 52% reservations in favour of OBCs from Gram Panchayats to the Parliament and in all wings of the State.
6. The Federation demands Nationalisation of School Education. It is our fundamental right. Education must be free and qualitative to the Backward Classes of India at all levels.
7. The Federation demands Nationalisation of Primary Health Care and free health services to all classes of India.
8. The Federation demands to publish the 2011 Socio-Economic caste census forthwith and make scientific categorization of OBCs as most Backward Classes, more Backward Classes and Backward Classes based on the degree of Social Backwardness. The Federation demands for the 2021 Socio-Economic caste census of the country for scientific planning of the welfare, development and sub-categorisation of backward classes and the periodical revision.
9. The federation demands that creamy layer policy for OBCs in education and employment to be applied only to the exclusion of the children of parents holding Constitutional Posts and Group A/Class 1 of Central/ State services.
10. The Federation demands reservations in the private sector undertakings which have received the financial assistance from the Government or banks in one form or the other.
11. Reservations should be enhanced to 52% to OBCs in the initial appointments and in promotions. Reservation to be enhanced proportionate to the population of the SCs and STs.
12. The SCs, the STs and the Religious Minorities must be given separate electorates for their genuine representation.
13. The federation demands that the Aadivaasi rights on the Jal, Zameen and Jungle should be ensured to them in most favourable terms to our Tribal brethren.
14. The Federation demands that the marginal, small farmers should be provided with all agricultural inputs by the State by integrating MGNREGS., and all agricultural produce must be paid remunerative prices.

Some of the advises and the recommendations made by the Justice V Eswaraiah as a Chairperson, NCBC are considered half-heartedly. Though the NCBC has been conferred Constitutional Status but the constitution of the Commission is with the persons of BJP/RSS having criminal background without any legal knowledge or having experience in social science except the female member. Therefore, Backward Classes condemns the action of the BJP Government.

Without publishing the socio-economic caste census constituting Justice Rohini Commission for categorization of OBCs is a farce, cheating the Most Backward Classes. The Commission was constituted expecting its recommendations within 3 months but it has been extending from time to time and extended the period beyond elections bluffing the Most Backward Classes with a view to attract their votes without doing any justice to them.

 The recommendations of the NCBC to liberalise the creamy layer criteria and not to eliminate the Children of the Backward Classes for the appointments of the posts in the services is suppressed over the period and after the code of election came into force, the parliamentary committee have made half-hearted recommendations neglecting the demands of the employees of the public sector undertakings and the private employees. The issue is under consideration of the Government to relax the Creamy later criteria knowing fully well that they cannot implement in view of the election code.

The President of AIBCF filed the W.P.(C) No.95 of 2019 before the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India for questioning the 10% reservations in favour of the Economically Weaker Sections and the Stay Applications are posted to 28.03.2019.

Justice V Eswaraiah as the President of AIBCF filed the W.P.(C) No.323 of 2019 before the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India questioning the action of the Directorate of Medical and Health Sciences, Government of India in not providing the 27% reservations to the OBCs out of the 50% seats in the Post Graduate medical courses and 15% seats in the MBBS and BDS medical courses which is likely to come up for admission on 28.03.2019. The Government of India hand in glove with the State Governments and the Medical Colleges depriving 14% reservations for the OBCs (and giving 13% reservations only out of 27%) while giving 15% reservations for SCs and 7.5% reservations for STs in P.G and Undergraduate Medical Courses in India in some States but in some other States no such reservations are provided even for SCs and STs.

It is a vision of the President to organise the Backward Classes i.e., SCs, STs and OBCs uniting them and by a mass national movement achieve the above demands. The web site of All India Backward Classes Federation is created and all its activities are being updated. The Bank Account is opened and admissions of the Patron Members, Life Members, and Temporary Members is under process.

Something more can be found in the Google, Wikipedia and You Tube.



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