



Jharkhand Cabinet Meeting Approves Inclusion of Transgenders in Backward Class Along with 34 proposals | Jharkhand | 07 Sep 2023

Why In News?

On September 6, 2023, a cabinet meeting was held under the chairmanship of Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren, in which a total of 34 proposals were approved to include the transgender community in the backward class.

Key Points:

- The Cabinet has approved the proposal of Chief Minister State Social Security Pension Scheme for people of transgender community under Social Assistance Scheme. Under this, the eligible beneficiary will get one thousand rupees per month as financial assistance.
- According to the Department of Women, Child Development and Social Security, there were about 11,900 transgenders in Jharkhand in 2011. At present their number has increased to about 14,000.
- Apart from this, the cabinet meeting has given approval to extend the service of 2500 assistant policemen working in 12 districts of the state by one year. Earlier the service of assistant policemen was for six years. This has been done for seven years.
- Apart from this, approval has been given to give the money for the purchase of bicycles to the students studying in class 8 through DBT in their account.
- In the cabinet meeting, the selection process for the Police Medal to be given to police officers on Jharkhand Foundation Day has been amended. Earlier, a committee headed by the Chief Secretary used to make selections. Now the committee headed by the Home Secretary will decide.
- The Cabinet has decided that now employees appointed on compassionate grounds will also be able to appear in the limited examination of Jharkhand Administrative Service. For this, the government has amended the Jharkhand Administrative Service Rules 2015.
- Jharkhand Cabinet has decided that unfunded educational institutions of the state will get grants only on the basis of NAAC grading. In this, student numbers and grading have been made the basis.
- If the number of students is more than 2001 and has A grading of NAAC, he will get a grant of up to Rs 30 lakh. Whereas if the minimum number of students is 200 to 500 and the grade is C, then a grant of Rs 4 lakh will be given.
- The grant given to paramilitary forces deputed in the state of Jharkhand to perform duties other than election related work has been amended.
- These proposals were also stamped
 - Approval of recruitment rules of Director Ayush in the Health Department.
 - 63.56 crore administrative approval for the restoration of Ichagarh canal for Kanchi irrigation scheme.
 - Approval for the formation of Stenographer's appointment and promotion rules-2023.
 - Amendment in the election bound by the salary and allowances service conditions of the Chief Information Commissioner.
 - Jharkhand Child Development Project Officer Service Cadre Rules-2018 was amended and constituted in 2023.
 - Approval of recruitment and promotion rules for research assistant personnel in water resources.
 - Approval for the formation of Jharkhand State Drug Testing Laboratory Manual-2023.
 - Approval of Director Drug Testing Laboratory Rules-2023.
 - Approval of Director Medicine Jharkhand Rules-2023.

- Amendment in Jharkhand Panchayat Secretary Rules-2014.
- Approval for formation of one additional Juvenile Justice Board each in Ranchi and East Singhbhum under Jharkhand Juvenile Justice Rules-2003.
- Approval of 28 judicial officers of Civil Judge as District Judge in the light of the recommendation of Jharkhand High Court.

ASI Should Take a Second Decision on Declaring Ranchi's Brahma Temple as National Heritage: Jharkhand High Court | Jharkhand | 07 Sep 2023

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On September 5, 2023, the Jharkhand High Court, while giving its verdict on the PIL filed for the preservation and declaration of the Brahma Temple located on top of the historic Tagore Hill in Ranchi as a national heritage, has said that regarding the declaration of the Brahma Temple of Tagore Hill as a national heritage In this, the Archaeological Department of India (ASI) should take a decision again within three months.

Key Points:

- The division bench of Chief Justice Sanjay Kumar Mishra and Justice Anand Sen executed the PIL by giving several instructions to the state government. Earlier, after the completion of the hearing in the case on July 31, the division bench had reserved its decision.
- Directing the state government to remove encroachment from the Tagore Hill area, the bench said that the Land Reforms and Revenue Department will constitute a committee, which will measure the boundary wall of Tagore Hill. This measurement should be done as per the original revenue records. After this, the boundary wall of Tagore Hill should be brought back to its original form. The committee to be formed for the survey will have members nominated by the Deputy Commissioner of Ranchi.
- The division bench directed the state government to conserve and maintain the Brahma Temple, Kusum Tal, Shanti Dham and Samadhi Sthal of Tagore Hill. The division bench said that the Tagore Hill area should be beautified, and the entire area should be declared a plastic free zone.
- Earlier, during the hearing of the case, advocate Shailesh Poddar appeared on behalf of the applicant. Additional Advocate General Ashutosh Anand appeared on behalf of the State Government and Advocate Prashant Pallav appeared on behalf of the Central Government.
- It is noteworthy that a PIL was filed on behalf of the applicant Society of Preservation of Tribal Culture and Natural Beauty. The applicant had demanded the conservation of the Brahma Temple as well as declaring it as a national heritage.
- The petitioner in the case has said that the Brahma Temple situated on top of Tagore Hill in Morabadi was built in 1910. It was built by Jyotirindranath Tagore, elder brother of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore. He was a dramatist, painter and musician. Along with the conservation of Brahma Temple, it should be declared a national heritage by the Archaeological Survey of India of the Central Government.



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