

Haryana Approves SC Sub-Classification | Haryana | 19 Aug 2024

Why in News?

The Haryana council of ministers accepted the recommendations of the state commission for Scheduled Castes to create <u>subclassification of scheduled castes (SC)</u>.

Key Points

- Objective: The sub-classification intends to ensure more equitable distribution of benefits and opportunities, especially in educational and employment sectors, by recognizing the distinct needs of different SC communities.
- Panel Recommendation: The commission suggested creating a new category of SCs to provide better representation and assistance to the more disadvantaged sections within the SC community.
 - Commission recommended subclassification be done for the purpose of reservation in government jobs into two categories:
 - **Deprived Scheduled Castes (DSC), comprising 36 castes** such as Balmikis, Dhanaks, Mazhabi Sikhs, Khatik,
 - Other Scheduled Castes (OSC), comprising castes such as Chamar, Jatia Chamar, Rehgar, Raigar, Ramdasi, Ravidasi, Jatav, Mochi, Ramdasia.
- **Implementation:** The state government plans to implement this sub-classification through amendments in existing policies and schemes to reflect the new categories and ensure targeted support.
- Potential Impact: This move is expected to improve the effectiveness of affirmative action policies by addressing the specific needs of different SC groups and enhancing their socioeconomic status.

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