



Jharkhand Municipal (Amendment) Bill-2022 approved

Why In News?

On 13 February 2023, Jharkhand Governor Ramesh Bais has approved the Jharkhand Municipal (Amendment) Bill-2022.

Key points

- With the acceptance of this bill, reservation will be decided for the reserved category on the basis of population in the election of Mayor/Chairman in Municipal Corporation. That is, the election for the post of Mayor and President will not be done on the basis of roster.
- In this amended bill, the word rotation has been removed in ST/ SC / OBC. That is, the seats which were earlier reserved for SCs, those seats can now be reserved for ST or other reserved category.
- It is known that in this election, for the post of Mayor of Ranchi Municipal Corporation, it was removed from ST to SC. This was opposed by many organizations, so the state government brought a bill in the Jharkhand Assembly to amend the rule. However, this bill was also opposed by other parties including BJP.
- In December 2022, the Jharkhand Assembly had passed the amended bill and sent it to the Governor for his assent.

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