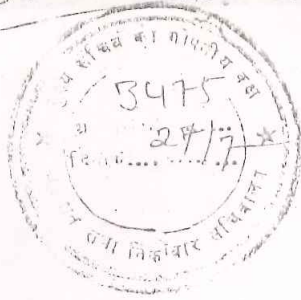


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Subject :- Identification of Minority Concentration Districts in the country.

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I am directed to state that the Commission in its recent meeting held on 29.06.2000 has considered the issue of identification of Minority Concentration Districts (MCDs) in the country. The Commission felt that 10% of the total population of the district or a population of 1 lakh of all minorities taken together in that district should be the criterion for identifying a Minority Concentration District. However, in order to keep the number of such districts within reasonable limits, the Commission felt that only those districts where minorities are in a poorer state of development should be included.

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2. Since the State Government is better placed to assess the actual status of minorities in the districts, you are requested to identify/locate such districts in your State, where the minorities are in sufficient number but are economically and educationally backward and require a special programme for their development and intimate the same to the Commission.

3. An early action in this matter is solicited so that a comprehensive list of MCDs is drawn up and recommended to the Government for notification.

Yours faithfully,

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