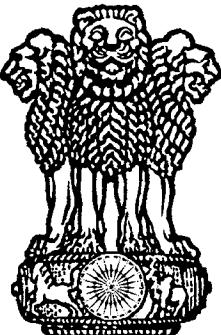


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PART III—Acts of the West Bengal Legislature.

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL****LAW DEPARTMENT****Legislative****NOTIFICATION**

No. 1106-L.—15th September, 2017.—The following Act of the West Bengal Legislature, having been assented to by the Governor, is hereby published for general information:—

**West Bengal Act XXXV of 2017**

**THE WEST BENGAL SCHEDULED CASTES AND  
SCHEDULED TRIBES (IDENTIFICATION)  
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017.**

[Passed by the West Bengal Legislature.]

[Assent of the Governor was first published in the *Kolkata Gazette, Extraordinary*, of the 15th September, 2017.]

*An Act to amend the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Act, 1994.*

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Act, 1994, for the purposes and in the manner hereinafter appearing;

West Ben. Act  
XXXVII of 1994.

It is hereby enacted in the Sixty-eighth Year of the Republic of India, by the Legislature of West Bengal, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) (Amendment) Act, 2017.

*The West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes  
(Identification) (Amendment) Act, 2017.*

*(Sections 2,3.)*

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the *Official Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of  
section 5 of West  
Bengal Act XXXVII  
of 1994.

2. In section 5 of the West Bengal Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Identification) Act, 1994 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after clause (b), the following clause shall be inserted:—

“(c) in Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation area not included in clause (a), by the Sub-divisional Officer of the Bidhannagar sub-division.”.

Amendment of  
section 8A.

3. In section 8A,—

(1) in sub-section (1), for the words and figure “in whose favour a certificate is issued under section 5”, the words and figures “in whose favour a certificate is issued under section 5 including a case where a caste certificate has been cancelled, impounded or revoked by the issuing authority under section 9”, shall be substituted;

(2) in sub-section (3),—

(a) in clause (a), for the words and figure “a certificate is issued under section 5”, the words and figures “a certificate is issued under section 5 including a case where a caste certificate has been cancelled, impounded or revoked by the issuing authority under section 9”, shall be substituted;

(b) for clause (c), the following clause shall be substituted:—

“(c) on its own or on receipt of information, to make an inquiry in connection with the contravention of any provision of this Act including any act of contravention by the issuing authority in respect of issuing, rejecting or cancelling caste certificate.”.

By order of the Governor,

**MADHUMATI MITRA,**  
Secy to the Govt. of West Bengal,  
Law Department.