

How to obtain Tribe Certificate

- **What is Tribe?**

In Indian Constitution the term 'Scheduled Tribes' refers to specific indigenous group whose status is acknowledged to some formal degree by National Legislation. Tribe people are found in various States and Union Territories of India. From the Post Independent period still today the tribes are maintaining their own originality ethnic culture and tradition.

- **What is a Tribe Certificate?**

A tribe certificate is a proof of ones belonging to a particular tribal group according to our Constitution.

- **Why is it necessary?**

- The tribal people or group must need the tribal certificate (if he/she connected with any tribal community) in order to proof their identity in the civil society and also identify themselves as they are the members of that particular community.

- In the development of their socio-cultural and economical activities provided by the Government, this certificate helps a lot.

- The person belongs to this group requires the tribal certificate for availing all Government Facilities like Educational facilities in College, University for students, getting Scholarship at the time of admission in the Educational Institution, relaxation in fees, relaxation in upper age limits, when applying for any Government Job etc.

- In order to avail the facility of reservation of seats in the various elections conducted to choose representatives, such as, local bodies' elections, assembly elections and Parliamentary elections, the tribe certificate works as a most valuable document.

- **Legal Frame Work**

The statutory lists of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes, in pursuance of Articles 341 and 342 of the Indian Constitution, were notified for the first time under the Constitution (Schedule Castes) Order, 1950 and the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950. These lists have been modified/amended/supplemented from time to time. On the reorganization of the States, the SC & ST list (Modification) Order came into force from 29th October, 1956. Thereafter a few other orders in respect of SCs and STs List in some individual States also came into force. The certificate is issued under Arunachal Pradesh Caste Certificate Rules for SC/ST. The Constitution (Schedule Tribe) Union Territories

order, 1961 Part II Arunachal Pradesh (as amended by the Schedule Caste & Schedule Tribes list modification) Order, 1956.

- **Concerned Department**

Department of District Administration, Government of Arunachal Pradesh.

- **Criteria for specifying the tribes**

- Traditional occupation of a definite geographical area;
- Distinctive culture that includes a whole spectrum of tribal ways of life, i.e., language, customs, traditions, religious beliefs, arts and crafts, etc;
- Primitive traits depicting occupational pattern, economy, etc; and
- Lack of educational and techno-economic development;

- **How to apply with necessary documents to be attached**

- People belonging to the tribes enlisted in the notified orders of the President can apply for obtaining a Tribe Certificate. (The ST Application form is sold at the Deputy Commissioner's Office)
- The application should be fill up in a proper format with two passport size photographs.
- Application must be addressed to the concerned District Magistrate/Collector.
- Applicant must mention his/her name, fathers name and address of residence in the Application form.
- The applicant must mention which tribe he/she belongs to.
- The Birth Certificate/ any proof of birth of the applicant must be enclosed with the Application form.
- The concerned Panchayat Report, certifying the name and tribe of the applicant's father must be attached with the Application form.
- In case of a married woman the marriage certificate must be enclosed with the Application form.

Fees for obtaining tribe certificate

Rs. 25/- for issuance of Tribe Certificate

Officer competent to issue the Certificate

Concerned District Collector issues the Certificate.

Who to register complaint with?

A person can directly complaint in DC Office and file their complaint in the complaint registers.

- **For more information contact:**

For detail information the citizen can directly contact to the PIO in the EAC or to the Deputy Commissioner of a District.

- **Validation period**

It's permanent in nature