

10% RESERVATION FOR ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTION IN UNRESERVED CATEGORY

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Recently Kerala Public Service Commission adopted Kerala governments order of providing 10% reservation for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) in Unreserved Category for government jobs.

More Information

Through 103rd Constitutional Amendment Act 2019, 10% reservation in government jobs and educational institutions for the Economically Weaker Section in the General category was introduced by the Central Government.

The Act inserted Article 15 (6) and Article 16 (6) in the Constitution.

Does it apply to state government jobs and state government administered educational institutions?

Since these subjects (employment, education) are in the concurrent list (subjects on which states and the central government both have jurisdiction), the state governments need to ratify it before adopting it locally.

Central Government informed the Supreme Court that it would be the **States' prerogative** to provide 10% economic reservation in government jobs and admission to educational institutions

Among states Gujarat became the first state to implement this provision.