

The Hitavada

Govt committee yet to submit report on region-wise disparity in public employment

A committee constituted under chairmanship of Finance Minister Sudhir Mungantiwar to prepare a division wise report regarding government jobs to the youths of Maharashtra in June 2015, is yet to submit its report. The committee was asked to give report in two months. The report is eagerly awaited as it will be a major step in removing injustice heaped on this region since last five decades by depriving youngsters from 11 districts of Vidarbha for public employment.

Maharashtra Government had assured under Nagpur Pact to provide proportionate jobs to the unemployed youths of Vidarbha region on the basis of population. There is a constitutional provision under article 371 (2) for providing jobs on the basis of population to the youths of Vidarbha, Marathwada and Rest of Maharashtra. However, it seems that the previous Government did not follow their assurance given to the people of backward region. It is the responsibility of the Governor of Maharashtra to ensure adequate representation in public employment to the youths of these regions. Vidarbha Statutory Development Board (VSDB) has given letter to Governor to direct State Government to fulfill the commitment. Governor also mentioned this aspect in his directives issued on March 11, 2016.

State Government had formed a sub-committee in June 2015 to analysis jobs to the people of all three regions and directed it to submit report within two months. However, even after passage of one year, the report was not submitted by the committee to the State Government for decision. Adv. Madhukarrao Kimmatkar has urged State Government to table this report immediately so that the youths of the backward region can get justice.