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Release white paper on vacant posts: TJAC chief

HYDERABAD: Telangana Political Joint Action Committee (TJAC) chairman Prof M Kodandaram, who has been constantly cornering the state government by picking holes in its policies, now turned his attention towards the government's alleged failure in creating more jobs for unemployed youth.

While demanding that reservations be provided for local people in private sector jobs in the state, the TJAC chairman said that even after the creation of Telangana, there was no marked difference in providing employment to youth.

Stating that the main reason for youth's participation in Telangana movement and their sacrifices at that time was for jobs, he asked the state government to focus on creating jobs for the youth, "as unemployment is a major problem in the state".

“The government should release a white paper on recruitments with all the details of how many vacancies exist in all government departments, how many jobs it wants to fill and by what time it will fill all the posts,” he demanded, while speaking at a students conference organised by Telangana Vidyarthi Udyama Vedika at Nizam College on Thursday.

Kodandaram urged the government to introduce an academic calendar for filling up vacant posts in the government every year regularly, on the lines of a calendar being followed by the Union Public Services Commission (UPSC) at the national level.

"The State government should introduce an annual calendar for recruitments on the lines of the UPSC so that youth can prepare for competitive examinations properly and avoid wasting time and money," he said.

According to him, preparing for government jobs has become a Herculean task and even suicidal for youth in Telangana, as it is taking inordinately long time for issuing each notification and completing the recruitment process.

For instance present Group I recruitment process has taken more than five years and Group II has taken two years. While there are just thousand

jobs to be filled up through Group II, more than seven lakh youngster have applied. Therefore TJAC chairman has underlined the need for streamlining the government recruitments in the State.

As jobs in government sector have been decreasing enormously, Kodandaram demanded government to take steps to ensure that reservations for local people are provided in private sector.

He also urged the State government to come up with a clear cut policy for creating more jobs for youth.