

**Summary of the Government Orders  
relating to Eradication of Untouchability and Prevention of Atrocities  
against SCs and STs**

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1	Revenue (P&C)Dept	G.O. Rt. No. 694	29.10.01	1. Establish immediately grievance redressal cells at the Offices of District Collectors, Revenue Divisional Officers, Mandal Revenue Officers at District, Divisional and Mandal levels, to be entrusted with the responsibility of redressal of the grievances of SCs and STs relating to land, minimum wages, bonded labour, indignities against women and child labour.	1. District Collector 2. Revenue Divisional Officer 3. Mandal Revenue Office
2	Social Welfare (POA) Dept	G.O. Ms. No. 105	31.10.01	1. All Mandal level officials and non-officials, including representatives of the Endowment Department and NGOs, along with police officials not below the rank of S.I. of Police, will visit one village per week on a fixed day. 2. Convince and persuade the dominant caste people against the evils of the untouchability in its various forms and in what ever manner it is being practised and also against atrocities on SCs and STs. 3. The team should lead the SCs and STs into village temples, provide access to public waters sources and eradicate the system of separate glasses for SCs from tea shops and hotels.	1. MRO 2. S.I. 3. Other Mandal Level Officers

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		Cont... G.O. Ms. No. 105		<p>4. The Team should also tackle any other village level social evils or superstitions like Jogini/Basviri system, Bhanamati, Potharaju, bonded labour, manual scavenging, etc.</p> <p>5. Educate about the punitive provisions under the PCRA and SC/ST (POA) Act, which the Government will not hesitate to use in case villagers insist on practising these social evils.</p> <p>6. Cover all the villages in a time frame after which the programme would be repeated until untouchability is fully eradicated.</p> <p>7. The Sub-Inspector of Police and Mandal Revenue Officer will consolidate information pertaining to the entire district and send a Monthly Report to the Commissioner of Social Welfare, A.P.</p> <p>8. The Commissioner of Social Welfare in turn will submit a consolidated monthly report to the Government covering all the Districts.</p> <p>9. The achievements and activities under this programme will be reviewed by the District Collector in the District level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee meetings and also in the State level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee meetings.</p>	
3	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O. Ms No. 106	31.10.01	<p>1. To give special Award to Dalit organisations and caste Hindu organisations which turn out sincere, exemplary and effective work with the support and cooperation of all sections of the people in the villages for the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entry of Dalits into temples.</li> <li>Providing access to the public wells or bores.</li> <li>Removal of two glass systems in tea/coffee shops.</li> <li>Eradication of other social evils and superstitions.</li> </ol> <p>This award will be presented on 1<sup>st</sup> November every year.</p> <p>2. At district level:- Rs. 10,000/- and a certificate to five organisations which cover the maximum number of village in a Mandal with the above programme.</p> <p>3. At the State Level:- Rs. 25,000/- and a certificate.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District Level: Expert Committee</li> <li>At District Level</li> <li>Dist Collector</li> <li>S.P</li> <li>Joint Collector Project Officer</li> <li>Deputy Director</li> <li>State Level:- A.P. State Commission</li> </ol>

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4	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms .No.107	11.10.01	1. The District Vigilance and Monitoring Committee to identify atrocity prone areas and declare them as such and send this information to the Government so that the Government can initiate necessary steps to tackle the situation as warranted.	1. District Vigilance Monitoring Committee
5	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms .No 108	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The District Magistrate (Collector) and Superintendent of Police should visit the identified area and review the law and order situation.</li> <li>2. The R.D.O. and Deputy Superintendent of Police should be visiting the identified area as frequently as possible.</li> <li>3. The Investigating Officers should visit the place of occurrence of an atrocity without the least delay.</li> <li>4. The District Collector and Superintendent of Police should invariably visit the places of occurrence of an atrocity within 24 hours of the occurrence.</li> <li>5. District Magistrate and the Superintendent of Police to ensure that prompt and effective action is taken not only by themselves but by the subordinate officers working under them.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. District Magistrate (Collector)</li> <li>2. SP</li> <li>3. R.D.O</li> <li>4. Investigating Officers</li> <li>5. District Collector</li> </ol>
6	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O. Ms.No 109	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To constitute peace committees with all the communities in the identified areas.</li> <li>2. The District Collector in the areas to necessary action for formation of Peace Committees in the areas where large-scale atrocities take place, depending upon the nature of incident and local situation.</li> <li>3. Mandal Level Officers will take steps for the formation of the committees with all the communities in the identified areas in which atrocities are likely to be committed or have been committed.</li> <li>4. The R.D.O., M.R.O. and M.P.D.O. should visit the village in which an atrocity occurred and contact members of the Peace Committee and assess the progress of the restoration of peace in the village.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. District Collector</li> <li>2. Mandal Level Officers</li> <li>3. R.D.O.</li> <li>4. M.R.O. M.P.D.O.</li> </ol>

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7	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms. No 110	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The District Collector &amp; Magistrate shall prepare for each District a panel of such number of eminent senior advocates who have been in practice for not less than 10 years for conducting cases in the Special Courts.</li> <li>The Directors of Prosecution should prepare a panel of such number of Public Prosecutors for conducting cases in the Special Courts.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District Collector Magistrate</li> <li>Directors of Prosecution</li> </ol>
8	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms. No 111	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The District Vigilance and Monitoring Committee, as well as the District Collector and Superintendent of Police, should review the law and order situation, functioning of different committees, performance of Special Public Prosecutors, Investigating Officers and other officers responsible for implementing the provisions of the SC/ST (POA) Act and send a monthly report to the State Level Vigilance and Monitoring Committee through the Secretary (S.W).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District Vigilance Monitoring Committee</li> <li>District Collector Superintendent of Police</li> </ol>
9	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O Ms No.112	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To prevent atrocities on SCs and STs in the State, Government hereby should constitute Mandal Level Committees with the following members:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>President, Mandal Praja Parishad <i>Chairman</i></li> <li>Mandal Revenue Officer <i>Convenor</i></li> <li>Zilla Parishad Territorial <i>Member</i></li> <li>All Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituencies <i>Member</i></li> <li>Mandal Parishad Development Officers <i>Member</i></li> <li>Inspector of Police / Sub Inspector of Police <i>Member</i></li> <li>All SC &amp; ST Sarpanches (10 Members)</li> <li>10 SC Members from 5 villages and the members of that area, if there is any SC or ST organisation working for the upliftment of SCs and STs.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>President, Mandal Praja Parishad</li> <li>Mandal Revenue Officer</li> <li>Zilla Prishad Territorial</li> <li>All Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituencies</li> <li>Mandal Parishad Development Officers</li> <li>Inspector of Police / Sub Inspector of Police</li> </ol>

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10	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms. No 113	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To constitute a non-official Advisory Committee to assist and advise the Social Welfare Minister at the state level and district in-charge Minister at the district level on the problems of SCs and STs in the village.</li> <li>2. The district in-charge Minister shall accordingly constitute a non official advisory committee with the representatives of the District SC Welfare Organisation to advise and assist the district in charge Minister at the district level . The advisory committee will consist of the district in charge Minister as chairperson and not more than six representatives of reputed district SC welfare organisation who are committee to the cause of the SC and ST and who turn out exemplary and selfless service for the downtrodden section of the society.</li> </ol>	1. District In-charge Minister
11	Social Welfare (POA 1) Dept	G.O. Ms.No 114	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To arrange combined workshops for both the sections i.e., caste Hindus and SCs and STs in joint sections to promote equality and unity and to educate the caste Hindus on the efficacy of the Social equality and the need to extend the attitude of brother – hood. The Services of various Dalit organisations, Ambedkar Organisations and the Kula Vivaksha Vethareka Porata Committee will be made use of in the setting up of awareness centres and the workshops organised in the identified areas.</li> <li>2. The District Collector to set up awareness Centres and workshop in the identified areas to educate the Caste Hindu on the efficiency of social equality.</li> </ol>	1. District Collector

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12	Social Welfare(POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms No. 115	03.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Nomination of the Nodal Officer of the level of a Secretary to the Government, preferably belonging to SCs or STs, for coordinating the functioning of the various Agencies.</li> <li>2. Govt hereby nominate Sri M. Samuel, I.A.S as Nodal Officer for coordinating and functioning of the District Magistrate and Superintendent of Police or the officers authorised by them, investigating Officers and other officers responsible for implementing the provision of the Act.</li> <li>3. By the end of the every quarter, the Nodal officers shall review: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The reports received by the State Government.</li> <li>• The position of cases registered under the Act.</li> <li>• Law and order situation in the identified area.</li> <li>• Various kinds of measures adopted for providing immediate relief in cash or kind or both to the victims of atrocity or his or her dependent.</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Adequacy of immediate facilities like: rationing, clothing, shelter, legal aid, travelling allowance, daily allowance and transport facilities provided to the victims of atrocity or his or her dependents.</li> <li>5. Performance of Non-Governmental organisations, the SCs and STs Protection Cells, various committees and the Public Servants responsible for implementing the provisions of the Act.</li> <li>6. Submit a quarterly report to the Chief Secretary to the Government through the Secretary, Social Welfare, together with her/his observations on the functioning of the various agencies, and suggest measures for improving the performance of the agencies under review so that the Government can take further necessary action in the matter.</li> </ol>	1. Nodal Officer

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13	Social Welfare(POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms No. 116	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In identified area a Special Officer not below the rank of Addl. Dist. Magistrate shall be appointed to coordinate with the District Magistrate, Superintendent of Police or other officers responsible for implementing the provision of the Act, various committee and the SCs and STs Protection Cell.</li> <li>2. Following 12 districts are atrocity prone districts in which there is past history of large scale atrocities against SCs and STs: <b>Prakasham, Gunutur, West Godavari, Nellore, Vijayanagaram, Kurnool, Cuddapah, Mahabubnaga, Kurnool, Karimnagar, Khammam, Adilabad.</b></li> <li>3. Government accordingly to appoint Joint Collectors to the above 12 districts, as well as in the other identified areas by the Special Officer.</li> <li>4. Special Officer to be responsible for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Providing immediate relief and other facilities to the victims of the atrocity and initiate necessary measures to prevent or avoid reoccurrence of the atrocity.</li> <li>b. Setting up an awareness centre and organising workshop in the identified area with the caste Hindus and SCs and STs, if any, to educate both communities about the rights provided in the PCRA and SC/ST (POA) Act and the responsibilities of the dominant castes towards protecting the rights of SCs and STs.</li> <li>c. If there are any land disputes pending, the special officer the Special Officer should solve them with the assistance of the M.R.O., M.R.I. and V.A.O. If Government Banjar Lands are in the occupation of the landlords and rich ryots, the special officer should take step for eviction of the landlords and rich ryots and the lands so recovered should be assigned to the SCs, STs and other landless poor.</li> <li>d. If in any village a social boycott is organised after the incident of atrocity the Special Officer should solve it and restore normalcy.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	1. Special Officer

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14	Social Welfare(POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms. No. 117	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The District Collector and Magistrate and Superintendent of Police should visit the place or the areas where the atrocity has been committed to assess the loss of life and damage to the property and draw a list of victims, their family members and dependents entitled for relief.</li> <li>2. To make arrangements for providing immediate in cash or kind or both to the victims of atrocity to their family members and dependents according to the scale prescribed in rules. Such immediate relief should also include food, water, clothing, clothing. Medical and transport facilities and other essential items necessary for human beings. If social boycott is organised, as a result of atrocity, necessary relief should be provide immediately.</li> <li>3. Report of the relief and rehabilitation facilities provided shall be forwarded to the Government as well as to the Special Court at the earliest.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. District Collector</li> <li>2. Magistrate</li> <li>3. Superintendent of Police</li> </ol>

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15	Social Welfare(POA 1) Dept	G.O.Ms. No. 118	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. District Collectors to take prompt action in providing the relief measures to the victims or their dependents who are eligible, in accordance with the relief prescribed in G.O.Ms. No. 3, SW (H) Dept, dated 16.10.1996.</li> <li>2. The relief and rehabilitation measures should include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scheme to provide immediate relief in cash or kind or both.</li> <li>• Allotment of agriculture land and house sites.</li> <li>• The rehabilitation packages, supply of Milch cattle or sheep or assistance for any other suitable scheme including trade or business, Discretionary grants, integrated Rural Development Projects (IRDP) SC fin Corp and ST corp. or any other available with the District Collector Government.</li> <li>• Scheme for employment in Government or Governmental undertaking to the dependent or one of the family members of the victims of atrocity.</li> <li>• Pension scheme for widows, dependent children of the deceased, handicapped or old age victims of atrocity.</li> <li>• Provision for Providing Brick/stone masonry house to the victim</li> <li>• Such other elements are health care, supply of essential commodities electrification adequate drinking water facility burial/cremation ground and link roads to SC/STs habitats.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	1. District Collector

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16	Social Welfare (POA 1.) Department	G.O Ms. No.119	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In all cases of complete damage of houses as result of atrocities against SCs and STs, pucca permanent houses to be constructed for the families adopting the design and construction as the rural permanent house under the weaker section housing programme. The entire expenditure shall be met by the Government. In addition each family should be paid Rs.30000/- towards relief and compensation, 75% should be paid at FIR stage and 25% on conviction in the lower court.</li> <li>In the case of loss of assets, the amount of compensation to be paid will be equal to actual loss sustained by the victim and his family.</li> <li>The assessment report together with the recommendation/observation of the RDO should be submitted to the District Collector, who will make immediate arrangement for the payment of compensation if the amount of compensation to be paid is within her/his competence.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>R.D.O</li> <li>District Collector</li> </ol>
17	Social Welfare (POA 1.) Department	G.O. Ms. No. 120	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Collectors to take action for the restoration of burial grounds or footpaths wrongly occupied by the caste Hindus and debarred to SCs and STs.</li> <li>District Collector should hold the RDO and MRO responsible for the restoration of burial grounds or footpaths leading to burial grounds were ever such un authorised and wrongful occupation have taken place.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>District Collector</li> <li>RDO</li> <li>MRO</li> </ol>

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18	Social Welfare (POA 1.) Department	G.O. Ms. No. 121	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Where atrocities in the nature of death or permanent incapacitation or grievous hurt or group clashes or arson take place, the District Collector should immediately arrange to take up suitable works with local areas to create employment to members of the SCs/STs.</li> <li>2. The work can be financed as part of relief and rehabilitation of the victims of atrocities under this subject and also from the Special Central Assistance of SC/ST sub-plan funds and any other funds.</li> <li>3. Whenever any major atrocities is perpetrated in any area the District Collector and Superintendent of Police concerned should visit the area and sanction suitable work in the local area on the spot so as to create, employment to the affected members of the SCs and STs .</li> <li>4. The action in this regard should always be immediate so that no economic distress is caused to the SCs and STs</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. District Collector</li> <li>2. Superintend Of Police</li> </ol>
19	Social Welfare (POA 1.) Department	G.O. Ms. No. 100	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Commission felt that Integrated Tribal Development Agencies should be given power to utilise the services of the renowned and committed legal experts in specific cases for expediting the vacation of stay and disposal of cases pending at various courts including Andhra Pradesh High Court.</li> <li>2. The Commission has given the following recommendation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>“Powers to ITDAs to appoint of ficer to expedite the cases of restoration tribal lands which are pending at various levels”.</b></li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Project Officers, ITDAs</li> </ol>

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20	Social Welfare (POA 1.) Department	G.O. Ms. No. 122	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The witness, the victim of atrocity or his/her dependent and the attendant shall be paid daily maintenance expenses for the days he/she is away from the place of his/her residence or stay during investigation, hearing and trial of an offence, of such rates but not less than the minimum wages, as may be fixed by the State Government for the agricultural labourers.</li> <li>2. In addition to daily maintenance expenses, the witness or the victim of an atrocity or his/her dependent and the attendant shall also be paid diet expenses at such rates as may be fixed by the State Government from time to time.</li> <li>3. The payment of travelling allowance, daily allowance, maintenance expenses and reimbursement of transport facilities shall be made immediately or not later than three days by the District Magistrate or the Sub-division Magistrate or any other Executive Magistrate to the victims that dependents attendants and witness for days they visit the investigating officers or In-charge police station or hospital authorities or Superintendent of Police/Deputy Superintendent of Police or District Magistrate or any other officer concerned or the Special Court.</li> <li>4. To extend financial assistance to the witnesses and compensate the SC/ST victims and witnesses with the payment of wages which they lose for attending.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. District Magistrate</li> <li>2. Sub-division Magistrate</li> </ol>

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21	Social Welfare (POA 1.) Department	G.O. Ms. No. 128	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All Mandal level officials and non- officials, including representatives of the Endowment Department and NGOs, along with police officials not below the rank of S.I. of Police, will visit one village per week on a fixed day.</li> <li>2. This Team will interact with all section of the people in the village including SCs and STs and convince and persuade the dominant caste people against the evils of untouchability. In its various forms and in whatever manner it is being practised and also against atrocities against SCs and STs with special reference to the village concerned.</li> <li>3. The Team should lead the SCs and STs into the village temple provide access to the public water sources and get the system of separated glasses for SCs removed from tea shops and hotels.</li> <li>4. The Team should also tackle any other village level social evils or superstitions like Jogini/Bhasivi system, Bhanamathi, Potharaju, bonded labour, manual scavenging, etc.</li> <li>5. To celebrate 'Civil Rights Day' on the 30<sup>th</sup> of every month at the rate of one village in each mandal.</li> <li>6. The weekly visit to the villages will be taken up during the first three weeks only followed by the "Civil Rights Day" on the 30<sup>th</sup> of every month.</li> <li>7. Special care should be taken by the visiting officials and non-officials to see the issues a tackled in a persuasive and positive manner in a congenial atmosphere avoiding eruption of any social confrontation and tensions.</li> <li>8. A detailed report of the activities and programmes conducted on that day will be submitted to the District Collector by the MRO. The District Collector will send a consolidated report covering all the mandals in the districts to the Chief Secretary to the Government, Secretary (Social Welfare) and Commissioner of Social Welfare.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mandal Level Officials</li> <li>2. Representatives of the Endowment Department &amp; NGOs</li> <li>3. Police officials</li> <li>4. District Collector</li> <li>5. MRO</li> </ol>

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22	Social Welfare (POA 1.) Department	G.O. Ms. No. 129	31.10.01	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The District Collector, in consultation with Superintendent of Police, will decide on particular day of the week for purpose of monitoring implementation of programmes.</li> <li>2. The 'The Civil Rights Day' on the lines indicated in G.O will be celebrated on the 30<sup>th</sup> of every month except in February during which it will be celebrated on the 20<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ol>	1. District Collector