

CONCLUSION

An expert committee constituted by our Tata Institute of Social Science to verify whether Dhangar society fulfills the criteria for Scheduled Tribes, has visited different parts of the state of Maharashtra. Dhangar community's language, dress, catering, culture, Gods, their methods of worship, history of ancestors, traditional business, customs, traditions, current and foreclosures, social, educational and financial conditions, places they live in, The pattern of communicating with their external world And the in-depth research was conducted and the study of it. Summary of the research that lasted more than two years.

Generally, any scheduled tribes have an independent culture. In which language is one of the most important aspect. Apart from this, it is important to check the main parameters of catering, dressing, customs, Gods, methods of their worship, traditional business, places of worship of the Ancestor till today, history of ancestors, socio-educational and economic conditions.

There is no such specific language of Dhangar community. Moreover, as per the observations presented by State Government of Maharashtra the above mentioned points are not fulfilling the Criteria of Scheduled Tribes in this case. Because all the parameters in our expert sampling format are analogous to the equivalent parameters among Vimukta Jati & Nomadic Tribes.

As per the above research, a summary of the report can be drawn that the Dhangar community, which goes to our expert's committee considering the fact that the research has come to an end, Dhangar Community does not fulfill the eligibility aspects to be included in Scheduled Tribes.

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The above content with a TISS logo and page number 571 titled as 'CONCLUSION' seems to have been making rounds especially on WhatsApp and probably on other social media platforms.

We would like to clarify that the TISS study report on “Socio-Anthropological Study of Dhangar Community of Maharashtra” is not yet prepared or released. In fact, TISS is in the process of preparing the report and the deadline for submission is December 2017.

This is therefore issued to avoid further confusion among multiple stakeholders concerned about the research study being carried out by our Institute.



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