

Karnataka withdraws condition of minimum number of students for tag of religious minority institution.

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Following the guidelines of National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions of Higher Education, the Karnataka Government has withdrawn the criteria of a minimum number of students from a minority community at an education institution to get the tag of Religious Minority Institution. A decision on the criteria was taken in the State Cabinet on March 12, and an order issued on March 16.

According to a copy of the order, this decision was necessary due to a decline in enrolment of minority students at these 'religious minority institutions'. There isn't enough population of many minority communities to get students as per the minimum requirement prescribed earlier.

However, other criteria — the institution has to be established by members of the particular minority community primarily for the benefit of that community and should be administered by members of that community — for an institution to be declared a religious minority institution will continue.

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