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<b>RTI REQUEST No. ISERK/R/2017/70004</b>				
<b>Text of Application</b> (आवेदन का पाठ)		Please refer to the attachment.(below)		
<b>Reply of Application</b> (आवेदन का उत्तर)		Reservation for the purpose of admission is as per Government norms on producing relevant certificates from the Competent Authority		
<b>Sr No.</b> (क्रम सं)	<b>Action Taken</b> (कार्रवाई की गई)	<b>Date of Action</b> (कार्रवाई की तारीख)	<b>Action Taken By</b> (कार्रवाई द्वारा)	<b>Remarks (टिप्पणी)</b>
1	RTI REQUEST RECEIVED	25/10/2016	PIO	Forwarded by CPIO, D/O HE, MHRD vide letter no. 16-7/2016(RTI-340)/-TS.V dated 21.10.2016 and received by the Public Authority on 25.10.2016.
2	REQUEST DISPOSED OF	21/11/2016	PIO	Vide letter no. IISER-K/RTI/2016-17/1553, dated 21.11.2016.

Attachment:

Government of Bihar vide their extra-ordinary edition of Bihar Gazette सं O पटना 689 dated August 23, 2016 has declared Government of Bihar vide their extra-ordinary edition of Bihar Gazette सं O पटना 689 dated August 23, 2016 has declared लोहार caste as scheduled tribe and advised all concerned to issue the members of लोहार caste, caste certificate as scheduled tribe and grant all the privileges to member of लोहार caste as a member of scheduled tribe.

Subsequently, government of Bihar has modified list of scheduled tribe to caste लोहार to appear against serial number 22 of the list.

Subsequently, government of Bihar has also removed the name of caste लोहार from the list of extremely backward classes. लोहार caste was appearing against the serial number 115 of the list of extremely backward classes of Bihar, to overcome any difficulty in issuing the caste certificate to the members of लोहार caste as scheduled tribe.

However, लोहार caste still appears in central list of other backward classes issued vide Gazette of India: number 186 dated September 13, 1993 against serial number 18 for the state of Bihar.

I wish to know, which class/category the caste लोहार of Bihar will be treated for the purpose reservations in admissions in central government institutes such as IIT/IIM/NIT.

Whether लोहार caste will be treated as Scheduled Tribe or Other Backward Classes?

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