HARYANA GOVERNMENT

URBAN LOCAL BODIES DEPARTMENT

Notification

The 6th December, 2024

No. 9/146/2024-4C II.— The following draft of rules further to amend the Haryana Municipal Election Rules, 1978, which the Governor of Haryana in consultation with the State Election Commission proposes to make in exercise of the powers conferred under clauses (c) to (g) of sub-section (1), sub-sections (2), (4) and (7) of section 257 and section 276 of the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973 (24 of 1973), is hereby published as required by sub-section (5) of section 257 of the said Act, for the information of persons likely to be affected thereby.

Notice is hereby given that the draft of rules shall be taken into consideration by the State Government on or after the expiry of a period of seven days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette together with objections or suggestions, if any, which may be received by the Commissioner and Secretary to Government, Haryana, Urban Local Bodies Department, from any person in respect of the draft of rules before the expiry of the period so specified.

DRAFT RULES

- These rules may be called the Haryana Municipal Election (Amendment) Rules, 2024.
- 2. In the Haryana Municipal Election Rules, 1978 (hereinafter called the said rules), after the words alphabet and signs "Backward Classes 'A' " wherever occurring, the words, alphabet and signs "and Backward Classes 'B' " shall be inserted.
- 3. In the said rules, in rule 70A, after the clause (b), (i) the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

"(ba) five percent of the total number of offices of President in the State shall be reserved for Backward Classes 'B' and rounded off to the next higher integer in case the decimal value is 0.5 or more; and such offices shall be allotted by draw of lots by the committee constituted under clause (b) among the highest three times of the number of municipal councils/committees proposed for reservation of Backward Classes 'B' which are having the largest percentage population of Backward Classes 'B' after excluding

those municipal councils/ committees already reserved for Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes 'A' and also by rotation in the subsequent elections:

Provided that where the number of offices of President in the State so reserved for Backward Classes 'B' under this clause added to the number of offices of President reserved for the Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes 'A' in the State exceeds fifty per centum of the total number of offices of President in the State, then the number of offices of President reserved for the Backward Classes 'B' shall be restricted to such largest number that shall lead to the total of the offices of President reserved for the Backward Classes 'A', Backward Classes 'B' and Scheduled Castes not exceeding fifty per centum of the total offices of President in the State.

- **Explanation.-** (1) For the purposes of reservation of Backward Classes 'B' under this clause, the population of the municipal area and the population of Backward Classes 'B' in that municipality shall be such as drawn from the Family Information Data Repository established under the provisions of the Haryana Parivar Pehchan Act, 2021 (20 of 2021) on such date, as may be notified by the Government.
- **Explanation.-** (2) For the purposes of fifty per centum under the clause, fifty per centum of the total seats in the State shall be taken as one-half of the total seats of the State rounded up to the next higher integer where the decimal value is 0.5 or more or rounded down to the next lower integer where the decimal value is less than 0.5."; and
- (ii) for clause (c), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—
 - "(c) not less than one-third of the total number of offices of the President in the municipal councils/committees shall be reserved for women including the offices reserved for Scheduled Castes, Backward Classes 'A' and Backward Classes 'B' women. The reservation of offices for women shall rotate to different municipal councils/committees, which shall be determined by draw of lots by the committee constituted under clause (b)."

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