



THE ADMINISTRATION OF UNION TERRITORY OF LADAKH
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Notification
Ladakh, the 25th September, 2020

S.O. 31. Whereas, in pursuance of sub-rule (1) of Rule 5 of the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (Election) Rules, 1995, vide S.O. 24 dated 14th August 2020, Deputy Commissioner, Leh, was appointed as Election Authority for the conduct of elections to the Council under the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Act, 1997;

Whereas, in pursuance of Rule 11 of the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (Election) Rules, 1995 the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh, vide S.O. 27 dated 18th September 2020, had called upon the Constituencies to elect the members for the purpose of constituting 6th Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council of District Leh;

Whereas, in pursuance of Rule 12 of the said Rules of the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (Election) Rules, 1995, the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh, vide S.O. 28 dated 18th September 2020, notified the date from which the nominations shall be made, last date for making nomination, last date for withdrawal of nominations, date on which poll shall, if necessary, be taken, date of counting, date before which the election shall be completed and polling hours;

Whereas, vide S.O. 28 dated 18th September 2020, it was specified that the nominations shall be made from 21.09.2020 and the last date of making nomination shall be 28.09.2020;

Whereas, the Election Authority, vide Elec-VI(C) LAHDC, Leh, 2020(703)II dated 24th September 2020, has informed that the Organising Committee, Peoples Movement for 6th Schedule for Ladakh, has given a call for the boycott of the elections in pursuance of their demand for including the Union territory of Ladakh under the provisions of 6th Schedule of the Constitution of India and the interested candidates might not fill nomination papers on account of security threat or any other reason;

Whereas, the Election Authority has informed, vide Elect-VI(C)LAHDC,LEH,2020(703)II dated 24th September 2020, that till 24th September 2020 no nomination has been received in any of the constituencies;

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● Whereas, the Election Authority, vide Elec-VI(C) LAHDC, Leh, 2020(703)II dated 24th September 2020, has requested that the provisions for filing of nomination and for scrutiny at Headquarter should also be made under the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Election rules to facilitate the participation of all such interested candidates in electoral process;

Whereas, in view of the position brought out in the preceding paragraphs, a difficulty has arisen in holding the elections under the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Act, 1997;

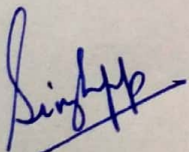
Whereas, sub-rule (1) of Rule 96 of Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (Election) Rules, 1995 empowers the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh to issue such general or special directions as may, in its opinion be necessary, for the purpose of holding any election under the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Act, 1997;

Whereas, sub-section (2) of Rule 96 provides that if any difficulty arises in holding any elections under the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Act, 1997, the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh, as the occasion requires, may by order, do anything which appears to it to be necessary for the purpose of removing the difficulty; and

Whereas, sub-rule (2) of Rule 5 of Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (Election) Rules, 1995 provides that the election Authority shall also perform such other functions as may be entrusted to it by the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh from time to time;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rules (1) and (2) of Rule 96 and sub-rule (2) of Rule 5 of the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (Election) Rules, 1995, as amended from time to time, and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh hereby direct as follows:

- (a) the nominations, as per the procedure prescribed in the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (Election) Rules, 1995, shall also be filed at such central locations in Leh, subject to the directions of the Election Authority, in addition to the location prescribed in the Notice of Election, i.e., Form 1, by the Returning Officer for each Constituency;
- (b) for the purpose of filing the nomination at such central locations, all the Returning Officers shall accordingly issue corrigendum to the Notice of Election, i.e., Form 1, for changing the location of the office of the Assistant Returning Officer to such central location;
- (c) the place of scrutiny of nominations in respect of each constituency shall be at such central places in Leh, referred to in sub-paragraph (a), instead of the place of scrutiny as may have been specified in Form 1 by the Returning Officers in respect of their respective constituencies;
- (d) for the purpose of enabling the scrutiny of nominations at such central places, all the Returning Officers shall accordingly issue corrigendum to the

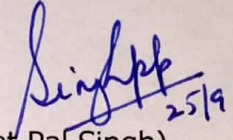


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● Notice of Election, in the Form-1, for changing the place of scrutiny of the nominations;

- (e) all the Returning Officers shall give wide publicity to the corrigenda referred to in sub-paragraphs (b) and (d); and
- (f) the Returning Officers shall, subject to the directions of the Election Authority, issue such directions and orders, and take such action, as may be necessary and incidental to give effect to the aforesaid provisions, for ensuring the smooth conduct of election.

By order of the Lieutenant Governor, Union territory of Ladakh



(Preet Pal Singh)

Administrative Secretary,
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4. Inspector General of Police, Union Territory of Ladakh.
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