## GOA STATE ELECTION COMMISSION ALTINHO, PANAJI-GOA.

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## ORDER

Whereas the General Elections to North & South Zilla Panchayats in the State of Goa will be conducted on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2020.

And whereas on the day of polling, the Presiding Officers are required to verify the identity of the elector with reference to his/her respective entry in the Voter's List at the Polling Booth.

Now, therefore, as a necessary measure to avoid the malpractice of impersonation, and in exercise of Article 243K of the Constitution of India and section 237 of Goa Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, read with Rule 34 of the Goa Panchayat and Zilla Panchayat (Election Procedure), Rules 1996 the following documents are hereby prescribed; any one of which has to be produced by the Elector at the Polling Booth:

- 1. Elector Photo Identity Card (EPIC) issued by the Election Commission of India.
- 2. Photo Identity Card issued by any Department of Central Govt. or State Govt. or any Govt. Undertaking.
- 3. Smart Card or any other Photo Identity Card issued by the Govt. of India or Govt. of Goa.
- 4. Valid Driving License or Passport issued by Competent Authority.
- 5. PAN Card issued by Income Tax Department.
- 6. Pass book of any Nationalized/Scheduled/Co-operative Bank containing photograph of account holder with stamp of Bank.
- 7. Photo Identity Card issued by the Head of any Educational Institute recognized by Government of India or Govt. of Goa.
- 8. Aadhar Card.

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The Elector may produce any one of the above listed documents to establish his/her identity at the Polling Booth.

It is further clarified that in case of unclear photos or mismatch of photo on the EPIC/Voters slip issued by Election Commission of India, the issue of Ballot paper shall not be refused merely on the ground of unclear photo or mismatch of photo if the identity of the Elector is otherwise established.

The Returning Officers shall provide a copy of this Order to the Presiding Officers for the training at Taluka Level.

R. K. Srivastava, IAS(Retd.)

Commissioner,

Goa State Election Commission

## Copy to:

- 1. The RO's/ARO's for Zilla Panchayat Elections.
- 2. The ZPEO's/Collector & District Magistrates.
- 3. The Director, Printing & Stationery, Government of Goa..... for publication in the Official Gazette.