

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

No. 1/199/Standing orders/2020-SEC/1224

Dated: 30/10/2020

ORDER

Sub: Instructions regarding issue of Form A/ Form B in favour of a candidate sponsored by a political party for filing nomination.

Whereas the government has amended the Goa Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 and Goa Panchayat & Zilla Panchayat (Election Procedure) Rules, 1996 to have party wise election to the zilla panchayat and accordingly, a candidate sponsored by a political party is required to submit Form A or Form B(as the case may be) to support his candidature;

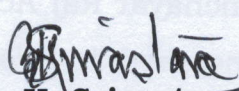
And, whereas the political parties are permitted to cancel the authorization in Form B given in favour of one candidate and to issue a revised notice later in form B in favour of another candidate , if so required ;

And , therefore ,the State Election Commission in exercise of powers vested in it as per Article 243 K of the Constitution of India read with Section 237 of Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 issues the following directions to be followed by all concerned in this regard :

- i. Such revised notice in Form B cancelling or substituting the authorization given in earlier notice should clearly state that the earlier notice in favour of a candidate is rescinded, in Form B itself and such revised notice should be received by the Returning Officer of the constituency concerned not later than 3.00 p.m. on the last date fixed for making nominations.
- ii. Such revised notice in Form B has to be signed by the authorized office bearer .
- iii. The Returning Officer must satisfy himself about the genuineness of the revised notice.

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- iv. The candidate in whose favour the revised notice has been given has already made a declaration in his nomination paper that he has been set up by the said political party.
- v. If a political party submits notice in Form B in respect of more than one candidate for the same constituency and the party does not state in such notices that the earlier notice(s) has/have been rescinded, then the notice in respect of the candidate whose nomination paper was submitted first to the Returning Officer shall be accepted and the remaining candidate(s) shall not be treated as candidate(s) set up the said party.
- vi. If a candidate claims in his nomination paper to have been set up by two or more political parties and both/all such parties submitted Form B or Form A in his favour, the Returning Officer will at the time of scrutiny, examine the facts as to which of the political parties, the candidate belongs to as its member and whether the candidate has ceased to be a member of the other political party/parties mentioned in his nomination paper/s and decide the party affiliation of the candidate accordingly.


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State Election Commissioner

To

The ROs /AROs for zilla panchayat election .

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1. The district Collectors for information.
2. All Political parties for information.