

GOA STATE ELECTION COMMISSION ALTINHO, PANAJI-GOA.

No:-4/54/BYE-ELN/VP/2024-25/SEC/102

Dated:-29/04/2025

NOTIFICATION

Read: 1.Notification No. No:- 4/54/BYE-ELN/VP/2024-25/SEC/93 Dated 16/04/2025 2.Notification No. No:- 4/54/BYE-ELN/VP/2024-25/SEC/76 Dated 16/04/2025

Subject:- Bye Election process for Ward No. I of Village Panchayat Chicalim in Mormugao taluka to be held on 11th May, 2025.

Whereas, the bye election to Ward No. I of Village Panchayat Chicalim in Mormugao taluka was scheduled to be held on 11th May, 2025.

And whereas, the Directorate of Panchayat, Panaji Goa issued Notice of election public notice Vide No. 19/DP/Bye-Elec/2025/2323 dated 19/2/2025 under Rule 10 (1) of the Goa Panchayat and Zilla Panchayat (Election Procedure) Rules, 1996 notifying the bye election to Ward No. I of Village Panchayat Chicalim in Mormugao taluka on 11th May, 2025.

And whereas, the State Election Commission issued Bye Election Notification and Election Schedule for bye election to Ward No. I of Village Panchayat Chicalim in Mormugao taluka on 16/04/2025. The nomination process is completed and single nomination has been filed till the last day of filing of nominations.

And whereas, Ms. Maria Mascarenhas, House No 108, Gina House, Mormugao, Goa vide letter dated 25/04/2025 intimated the Goa State Election Commission regarding the Order passed by the Hon'ble District Court South Goa at Margao in Civil Revision Application No. 2/2025.

And whereas, the Hon'ble District Court South Goa at Margao in its judgment in the matter CRA.2/2025, Maria Mascarenhas V/s Manuel Antonio Dias DATED 25/4/2025, has quashed and set aside the impugned order dated 02/01/2025 passed by the Block Development Officer of Mormugao regarding the disqualification of Ms Maria Mascarenhas as a Panch member of Village Panchayat Chicalim.

And whereas, after considering the judgment of the Hon'ble District Court South Goa at Margao, the Department of Panchayati Raj and Community Development, Government of Goa vide order No.19/DP/Bye-Elec/2025/3114 dated 29/04/2025 have cancelled the bye election to Ward No. I of Village Panchayat Chicalim in Mormugao taluka. Also it is specified that the entire election process up to the stage of issuance of the said order is declared as invalid.

Now therefore, in pursuance of the judgement of the Hon'ble District Court South Goa at Margao, Order issued by the Department of Panchayati Raj and Community Development, Government of Goa dated 29/04/2025 and in exercise of the powers conferred upon it under Article 243K of the Constitution of India and Section 237 of the Goa Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, the Goa State Election Commission, do hereby declare that the Bye Election process for Ward No. I of Village Panchayat Chicalim in Mormugao taluka to be held on 11th May, 2025 stands cancelled. The Model Code of Conduct which was brought in force w.e.f 16/04/2025 in the areas under the jurisdiction of Ward No. I of Village Panchayat Chicalim in Mormugao taluka stands lifted with immediate effect.

Daulat Hawaldar, IAS(Retd.)
Commissioner
Goa State Election Commission

To,

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- 3. The Collector South Goa, Margao Goa.
- 4. The Director Panchayats, Govt. of Goa. Panaji Goa.
- 5. The Returning Officers (RO) / Assistant Returning Officers(ARO) for bye election to Ward No. I of Village Panchayat Chicalim in Mormugao taluka.
- 6. Guard file.

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