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No. 589-SEC/1C-6/1998

Date: 17.03.2015

ORDER

This Commission has decided to issue Identity Cards for the contesting candidates with their recent photographs in the ensuing Municipal General Elections to Kolkata Municipal Corporation scheduled to be held on 18th April, 2015 as it will be helpful for them to move within the constituencies concerned and for the purpose of establishing their identity as and when required.

- 2. A specimen copy of candidate's Blank Identity Card is forwarded herewith with the request to provide the same to the candidates in the said Municipal elections. Two copies of the said form duly filled in with photographs affixed thereon shall be submitted by the candidate to the Municipal Returning Officer who will return one copy after his/her signature and retain the other copy for record.
- 3. Appointment of the election agent is governed by provisions of Section 47 and 48 of the West Bengal Municipal Elections Act, 1994 read with Rule 13 of the West Bengal Municipalities (Conduct of Elections) Rules, 1995 in terms of which he shall be an elector of the Municipal Corporation / Municipality / Notified Areas concerned and should not be disqualified in any manner for contesting an election to the Municipal Corporation / Municipality / Notified Areas. The letter of appointment shall be furnished by the candidate in Form 9 in duplicate to the Municipal Returning Officer, with two copies of photographs of the election agent and the Municipal Returning Officer / Assistant Municipal Returning Officer shall return one copy after his/her signature with photograph affixed, to the candidate/election agent and retain the other copy for record.
- 4. As per provision of Section 51 of the West Bengal Municipal Elections Act, 1994, read with Rule 14 of the West Bengal Municipalities (Conduct of Elections) Rules 1995, a contesting candidate or his / her election agent may appoint in the prescribed manner one polling agent and two relief agents at each polling station. Every such appointment shall be made in Form 11.

In order to avoid any malpractices and unscrupulous methods and for enforcing utmost discipline the Polling Agents will be required to display his Electoral Photo Identity Card (EPIC) or Identity Card with Photographs, obtained from the Municipal Returning Officer, on his person during his stay at the Polling Station, if any Polling Agent does not have EPIC, the candidate shall have to procure Identity Card from the Municipal Returning Officer. For this purpose all contesting candidates or election agents should be instructed by the Municipal Returning Officer to furnish 3(three) copies of photographs of the Polling agents along with a copy of their appointment letters. The Identity Cards of Polling agents, if issued should be prepared in triplicate. One copy of the same is to be kept as Office Copy for

the purpose of record by the Municipal Returning Officer. Second copy of such Identity Card is to be supplied to the Presiding Officer of the polling station concerned and third copy thereof to be returned to the polling agent or his election agent after affixing thereon Municipal Returning Officer's seal and signature specifying the Constituency (Ward) number and name & number of the polling station for which the person concerned is appointed as polling agent. Every polling agent must produce either EPIC or such Identity Card (along with his/her appointment letter in Form-11) before the Presiding Officer of the polling station to establish his or her bonafide.

- 5. There is also a provision for appointment of counting agents in terms of Section 52 of the aforesaid Act read with rule 42 of the West Bengal Municipalities (Conduct of Elections) Rules, 1995. For ensuring better security and for enforcing utmost discipline in the counting centre counting agents will also have Photo Identity Card. Photograph of Counting Agents shall be furnished to the Municipal Returning Officer by the candidate / election agent when the Municipal Returning Officer / Assistant Municipal Returning Officer shall issue identity card for the counting agent with his / her photograph affixed and stamped with the office seal of the Municipal Returning Officer on specifying the Hall No. and Table No. where the counting agent shall attend counting process. Such cards may be collected by the candidate / election agent before the date of counting from the office of the Municipal Returning Officer. The Identity Card with photograph affixed should be displayed prominently by the counting agents during his presence in the counting hall. A specimen copy of the card is enclosed.
- 6. The State Election Commissioner has been pleased to direct that the number of counting agents to be appointed by a candidate or his Election Agent shall be regulated by the number of tables where counting of votes for the constituency, takes place plus one Counting Agent to watch counting at M.R.O.'s table. As far as possible, in order to avoid over crowding at Municipal Returning Officer's table, only one person whether the candidate himself or his / her Election Agent or his Counting Agent should be present at a time at that table on behalf of the Contesting candidate. The State Election Commissioner also directs that a candidate, his election agent and counting agents shall be allowed entry into counting hall first before counting of votes for his / her constituency is taken up as may be decided by the M.R.O. All of them should leave the counting venue as soon as the counting of his / her constituency (ward) is completed.
- 7. The contesting candidates / election agents may be asked to produce their identity cards with photograph issued by the 'Municipal Returning Officer' at their respective counting venue on the day of counting.

The Municipal Returning Officer concerned may be instructed accordingly.

By order of the State Election Commissioner, West Bengal State Election Commission

Secretary,
West Bengal State Election Commission

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to the :-

- 1. District Municipal Election Officer for Kolkata Municipal Corporation & District Magistrate, South 24-Parganas.
- 2. Municipal Returning Officer

O.S.D. & E.O.

Joint Secretary, West Bengal State Election Commission

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President / Chairman / General Secretary / Secretary,

O.S.D. & E.O.

Joint Secretary,

West Bengal State Election Commission

MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTIONS, 2015

CANDIDATE'S IDENTITY CARD

Shri	is a contesting candidate for		
election to the	. MUNICIPALITY from Ward		
(Constituency) No and has been set up by			
Party / is an Independent candidate.			
	PHOTOGRAPH		
Signature of the candidate			
Attested			
M.R.O./A.M.R.O.			
Munic	cipal Returning Officer		
Place :	(seal)		
Date :			

N.B. If the candidate is set up by a State Party or a National Party or an unrecognized party Registered with the Election Commission of India you should enter the name of the Party.

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COUNTING AGENT'S IDENTITY CARD

Date of counting:		
Name		
Counting agent of Sri/Smtof	(candid	date)
Ward No.		
Hall No.		
Table No	PHOTOGRAPH	
Specimen Signature of the polling agent		
	Municipal Returning Officer	-,
	Seal	

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FORM 9 [See rule 13(1)]

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Appointment of Election Agent

Election to Ward Noof the	Municipality.
To The Municipal Returning Officer,	
I,of	ot
Place	PHOTOGRAPH
	Signature of candidate
I accept the above appointn	nent.
	Signature of election agent approved.
Place	
Date	
	Signature and Seal of the Municipal Returning Officer,

MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTIONS, 2015

POLLING AGENT'S IDENTITY CARD

Date of Poll:	
Name	
Polling Agent of Sri/Smt	(candidate) of
(Party)	
Constituency (Ward) No of	Municipality.
No. and Name of Polling Station :	
	PHOTOGRAPH
Specimen Signature of the Polling agent	
Ward No	
Part No. & Serial No. Of the Electoral Roll	
	Municipal Returning Officer,
	Seal.