STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

3rd Floor, Buddha Bhavan, M.G. Road, Hyderabad - 500 003.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1527/SEC-L/2014

The State Election Commission issued orders on 26.06.2014 for conduct of indirect elections to the office of Mayor / Deputy Mayor of Municipal Corporations, Chairperson / Vice-Chairperson of Municipalities and Nagar Panchayats, President / Vice-President of Mandal Praja Parishads and Chairperson / Vice-Chairperson of Zilla Praja Parishads on 03.07.2014 (Municipal bodies), 04.07.2014 (MPPs) and 05.07.2014 (ZPPs) respectively.

As per the provisions of Section 23(1) of A.P. Municipalities Act, 1965, Section 90(1) of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation Act, 1955, Section 153(1) and Section 181(1) of A.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, the indirect elections to the said offices in local bodies shall be held by show of hands duly obeying the whip given by such functionary of recognised political party as may be prescribed.

It is defined under paragraph 2(6) of the Symbol Order, 2001 that 'recognised political party' means a political party recognised as a National Party or as a State Party under the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968 made by the ECI and also registered by the Commission.

Further, in the definitions given under section (34-a) of the A.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, section (46-b) of GHMC Act, 1955 and section (32-b) of A.P. Municipalities Act, 1965, 'recognised political party' shall have the meaning assigned to it in the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968 issued by the ECI under Article 324 of the Constitution of India.

It was clarified in Circular Memo No.13665/SR/2014, dated 26.05.2014 that all the laws, which were applicable to the undivided State of Andhra Pradesh as on 01.6.2014, would continue to apply to the new States, i.e., State of Telangana and State of Andhra Pradesh created by the Central Act, for a period of two years with effect from 02.6.2014 or till such time such laws are altered or repealed or amended by a competent Legislature or other competent authority in the respective States. In view of this clarification, the Acts governing local bodies and the Symbol Order 2001 issued by the State Election Commission will be applicable for the State of Telangana and the State of Andhra Pradesh. It was made clear in the said circular memo at paragraph 2 that 'law' as defined in section 2(f) of the A.P. Reorganisation Act, 2014 includes any enactment, ordinance, regulation, order, bye-law, rule, scheme, notification or other instrument having immediately before the appointed day, the force of law in the whole or in any part of the existing State of Andhra Pradesh.

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Date: 27.06.2014

Now, therefore, the State Election Commission, hereby, specifies the list of recognised political parties in the State of Andhra Pradesh for which the provisions of whip are applicable in the context of indirect elections to the said offices to be held in pursuance of the orders issued by the State Election Commission on 26.06.2014 in the Annexure to this notification.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER)

Sd/- Navin Mittal Secretary

To

All Collectors & District Election Authorities in Andhra Pradesh State.

All Commissioners of Municipal Corporations/Municipalities/Nagar Panchayats in Andhra Pradesh State.

All Chief Executive Officers of Zilla Praja Parishads in Andhra Pradesh State.

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Joint Secretary

Annexure

LIST OF RECOGNISED POLITICAL PARTIES IN THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH

National Parties

- 1) Bahujan Samaj Party
- 2) Bharatiya Janata Party
- 3) Communist Party of India
- 4) Communist Party of India (Marxist)
- 5) Indian National Congress
- 6) Nationalist Congress Party

State Parties in the State of Andhra Pradesh

- 1) Telugu Desam Party
- 2) YSR Congress Party

State Parties of other States

- 1) All India Anna-Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam
- 2) Janata Dal (Secular)
- 3) Samajwadi Party
- 4) Janata Dal (United)
- 5) All India Forward Bloc
- 6) Rashtriya Lok Dal
- 7) Telangana Rashtra Samithi
- 8) All India Majlis-E-Ittehadul Muslimeen

Sd/- Navin Mittal Secretary

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Joint Secretary