

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

3rd Floor, Buddha Bhavan, M.G. Road, Secunderabad-500003, Andhra Pradesh.

NOTIFICATION

No. 1492/SEC-B2/2013-3

Date: 27.07.2013

Whereas, the State Election Commission issued a Notification in Ref. No. 757/SEC-B2/2013, dated 03.07.2013 for conduct of ordinary elections to Gram Panchayats in the State and also notified election programme in connection therewith;

And whereas, in respect of Madaguda Gram Panchayat in Kothaguda Mandal in Warangal District, the Returning Officer Stage-I published the list of contesting candidates on 17.07.2013 after 3:00 PM for all the offices of Sarpanch and Ward Members of the said Gram Panchayat and the poll was scheduled on 27.07.2013;

And whereas, the Collector & DEA, Warangal District reported that it has come to light at the time of conduct of poll on 27.07.2013 that the Returning Officer Stage-I has committed the following mistakes in preparing the list of contesting candidates for the office of Sarpanch of Madaguda Gram Panchayat in Kothaguda Mandal of Warangal District in Form-IX;

- 1) Included the name of a candidate, who has withdrawn from contest by submitting notice of withdrawal of candidature in Form-VIII;
- 2) Deleted the name of a validly nominated candidate, who has not withdrawn from contest.

And whereas, the election process of Sarpanch of the said Gram Panchayat was vitiated from the stage of publication of list of contesting candidates due to the above mentioned mistakes and therefore the poll conducted for the office of Sarpanch on 27.7.2013 shall be treated as void and a fresh election programme shall be notified for the office of Sarpanch from the stage of publication of list of contesting candidates;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Article 243K of the Constitution of India, Section 200 of the A.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 and Rule 7 of the A.P. Panchayat Raj (Conduct of Elections) Rules, 2006, the State Election Commission, hereby, renotifies the election programme for the office of Sarpanch of Madaguda Gram Panchayat in Kothaguda Mandal of Warangal District from the stage of publication of list of contesting candidates as shown below.

(PTO)

1.	Publication of revised list of contesting candidates (for Sarpanch only)	28.07.2013 (3:00 PM)
2.	Date of Poll (for Sarpanch only)	03.08.2013 (From 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM)
3.	Date of Counting (Sarpanch and Ward Members)	03.08.2013 (From 2:00 PM onwards)
4.	Declaration of Result	Soon after the completion of counting of votes
5.	(a) Date of conduct of election of Upa-Sarpanch under Sec. 14(10) of A.P. Panchayat Raj, 1994. (b) If for any reason, the election of Upa-Sarpanch is not held on the date aforesaid, it shall be held on the next day, whether or not it is a holiday observed by the Gram Panchayat.	On the same date on which results are declared.

For conduct of fresh poll for the office of Sarpanch of the said Gram Panchayat on 03.8.2013, the Polling Stations located in the same premises shall be merged subject to a maximum of 650 voters for each polling station after merger. Wide publicity should be given in the Polling areas about merger and poll process of Sarpanch scheduled for 03.8.2013.

After completion of poll for the office of Sarpanch on 03.8.2013, the counting of votes polled on 27.7.2013 for all the offices of Ward Members of the said Gram Panchayat shall be taken up first. The votes polled on 27.7.2013 for the office of Sarpanch (Pink colour ballot paper) shall be separated, sealed (to prevent them from being mixed with the votes poll on 03.8.2013) and ignored as the poll process conducted for Sarpanch on 27.7.2013 has become void due to erroneous list of contesting candidates. Afterwards, the counting of votes polled for the office of Sarpanch on 03.8.2013 shall take place.

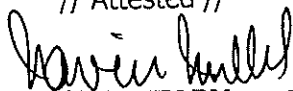
The Collector & DEA shall appoint a senior officer to oversee orderly conduct of election process as per the directions given above by the Commission.

Disciplinary action shall be initiated against the Returning Officer (Stage-1) who is responsible for publication of erroneous list of contesting candidates for the office of Sarpanch.

SD/- P. RAMAKANTH REDDY
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To
The Collector & District Election Authority, Warangal.
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