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**STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, ORISSA
SAMABAYA BHAWAN, JANAPATH, UNIT IX
BHUBANESWAR-751 022**

ORDER

The 18th August 2006

SUBJECT—Preparation of Electoral Roll for General elections to Grama Panchayats, Panchayat Samities and Zilla Parishads, 2007.

No. 2818—Ele.(GP)-47/2006-SEC.—Whereas, according to article 243-E of the Constitution of India, election to reconstitute Panchayat Bodies shall be completed before the expiry of their term of five years from the date appointed for their first meeting and first meetings of all the Grama Panchayats, Panchayat Samities and Zilla Parishads in the State were held on the 10th March 2002, 11th March 2002 and the 13th March 2002 respectively.

And whereas, it is necessary to prepare Wardwise Electoral Rolls on Grama Panchayats for conduct of the General Elections to the 3-tires of panchayati Raj Institutions.

Now, therefore, the State Election Commission, in exercise of powers vested in it by virtue of Article 243-K of the Constitution of India read with relevant provisions of Orissa Grama Panchayat Act, 1964, Orissa Panchayat Samiti Act, 1959 and Orissa Zilla Parishad Act, 1991 and Rules framed thereunder directs that wardwise preliminary electoral roll of Grama Panchayats shall be prepared in the appended Form No. 1 prescribed by the Commission as per the procedure given in Schedule I of this order. In lieu of Form No. 1 prescribed under Rule 7(4) of O. G. P. E. Rules, 1965. Since, there will be simultaneous poll for Grama Panchayats, Panchayat Samities and Zilla Parishads, the final Electoral Roll of every Grama Panchayat prepared under the Orissa Grama Panchayat Election Rules comprised within the Samiti Constituency as well as Parishad Constituency including revision or addition or well as alteration if any, shall together form the final electoral Roll of Samiti and

Parishad Constituency. The Commission also have opportunity to file claims in appropriate form prescribed in Orissa Grama panchayat Election Rules, 1965 for inclusion of their names in the electoral Rolls as per Rules. The Commission further directs that claims of all qualified voters shall be acknowledged and disposed of in accordance with the procedure prescribed by the Commission and the resultant new names to be added to the Roll shall be entered in Form No. 1-A appended to this order. The names figuring in Form I-A shall appear at the bottom of the names in Form I (after deletions) in the final Roll of each Ward. The qualifying dates as well be fixed by the Commission and detailed programme for preparation of Electoral Roll shall be communicated to you in due course.

By order and in the name of the
State Election Commission, Orissa
F. C. SATAPATHY
Secretary

SCHEDULE I

PROCEDURE FOR PREPARATION OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL

1. The Collector as Election Registration Officer will be in overall charge of preparation and finalisation of Electoral Rolls of respective Grama Panchayat/Panchayat Samiti/Zilla Parishad Constituencies.

2. ordinarily, the Collector shall authorize the B. D. O. to function as E. R. O. in respect of the G. P. Wards/P. S. & Z. P. Constituencies coming within his area. He may also authorize Tahasildar as E. R. O. as a stand-by measure.

3. The Electoral Roll of Assembly Constituencies prepared and published last by the Election Commission of India on the 10th March 2006 and currently in force shall be the basis for preparation of the preliminary Wardwise Electoral Rolls. For this purpose, the Electoral Roll of Assembly Constituency relatable to the Ward shall have to be obtained and split up into separate Electoral Rolls for every Ward as per Rule 5(1) of O. G. P. E. Rules. The Preliminary Electoral Roll shall be prepared in Form No. 1 preliminary by the Commission under the seal and signature of the Electoral Registration Officer.

4. All qualified voters shall have the opportunity to file claims in Form No. 16 prescribed under Orissa Grama Panchayat Election Rules, 1965 for inclusion of their names in the Electoral Roll and can file objections in Form No. 17 to the entry as per Rules. In all cases receipt appended to the Forms has to be granted to the claimants/objections.

5. The Preliminary Electoral Roll of the Ward prepared in accordance with Rule 5(1) of O. G. P. E. Rules shall be published by the E. R. O. at a conspicuous place at the headquarters of the Grama Sasan together with a notice in Form No. 2, in accordance with the provisions under Rule 5(3). Such notice shall also be published in the notice board of Collector/Sub-Collector and in the concerned Panchayat Samiti.

It should be ensured that the copies of preliminary Electoral Roll is kept open at G. P. Office for inspection by the public for entire period for during filing of claims and objections.

6. The Electoral Registration Officers shall notify the date time and place for disposal of the claims and objections received in form No. 16 and 17 under Orissa Grama panchayat Election Rules.

7. The name of the polling station shall be appropriately indicated in the electoral Roll. The Electoral Registration officer shall cause enquiry into all claims and objections under Rule 7(1) in a summary manner which shall be kept on record. Normally, the disposal of claims and objections should begin after the last date of filing of claims and objections. When large number of claims and objections are received, preliminary enquiry can as well begin even during the period of filing claims and objections by engaging other Government Official at his disposal. A field Official of the Government under whose jurisdiction the area in a village or town or city falls may as well be associated. However, no decision will be taken simply on the basis of the enquiry report without hearing the person concerned who has

filed claims or objections. On the scheduled date concerned who has filed claims or objection. On the scheduled date hearing, the Electoral registration Officer shall take into account the materials of enquiry and here the person concerned. The contents of hearing be recorded in a summary manner. If the person concerned does not turn up the scheduled date and time of hearing, the Electoral Registration Officer shall take appropriate decision taking into account the materials available before him and the fact of his absence at the time of hearing can as well be recorded. In case where the Electoral Registration Officer holds a summary enquiry and the claimant insists on his inclusion in spite of adverse report as a result of spot verification, the Electoral Registration Officer should insist on the presence of the claimant especially when the claim is objected to at time of hearing on any ground like underage, non-residence, non-existence etc. In case the claimant or objector is not present, the Electoral Registration Officer as far as possible should take evidence from any other adult member of the same household verifying the ordinary residence of the claimant or the person objected to. However, it should be clearly understood that final decision of the Electoral Registration Officer in respect of each claim and objection and to that effect finding in brief should be kept in record.

8. After disposal of claims and objections filed before the Electoral registration Officer. He will compile the same and will make necessary amendment to the Preliminary Electoral Roll. This draft Electoral Roll will be kept open for inspection in the office of Grama Panchayat as well as in the office of Panchayat Samiti for the period notified by the Commission.

9. Any person aggrieved to the decision of the E. R. O. on his petition, can make an application to the Block Development Officer-*cum*-Electoral Registration Officer within the date given in schedule II. The application shall be received in the Block Office and to be acknowledged by giving receipt. A register should be maintained incorporating the name of the petitioner, name of the G. P., Ward No., date of receipt.

10. The Block Development Officer-*cum*-Electoral Registration Officer shall conduct further enquiry under Rules 7(2) of the Orissa Grama panchayat Election Rules, 1965. He shall peruse the record of the concerned Electoral Registration Officer and shall dispose of the application in the manner stated in Para. 7 of these instructions. Eligible names for enrollment shall appropriately be kept in Form No. 1-A after which the draft Electoral Roll shall be final.

11. The final Electoral Roll of each Ward shall be under Rule 8(1) of the O. G. P. E. Rules, 1965.

12. Two copies of the final Electoral Roll as published by the Electoral Registration Officer bound Grama Panchayatwise duly authenticated by him should be kept in his office and two other copies thereof shall be sent to the Commission.

SCHEDULE II

PROGRAMME FOR PREPARATION AND PRINTING OF ELECTORAL ROLL

Sl. No.	Stages	Date
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Splitting of Electoral Roll of Assembly Constituency relatable to the Ward under Section 9(2) and Rules 5 (1).	.. 1-9-2006 to 20-9-2006.
2	Publication of preliminary Wardwise electoral roll at Grama Panchayat Headquarters under Rule 5(3) of O. G. P. E. Rules, 1965.	.. 21-9-2006
3	Filing of objections and claims under Rule 5(5)	.. up to 28-9-2006
4	Enquiry by Electoral Registration Officer under Rule 7(1).	.. 4-10-2006 to 13-10-2006
5	Inspection of the draft Electoral Roll of filing of application if any, to the B. D. O. against the decision of the E. R. O. at 4 above.	.. 16-10-2006 to 20-10-2006.
6	Disposal of the applications by the B. D. O. & E. R. O. under Rule 7(2). 21-10-2006 to 26-10-2006.
7	Publication of final Final Electoral Roll under Rule 8(1).	.. 3-11-2006
8	Submission of authenticated final Electoral Roll under Rule 8(2).	.. 8-11-2006
9	Printing of Electoral Roll under Rule 8(3)	.. 30-11-2006
10	Submission of printed copy to the Commission.	.. 5-12-2006

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