



OFFICE OF THE
ELECTION AUTHORITY
UNDER PANCHAYATI RAJ ACT, 1989

(CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, JAMMU & KASHMIR)

2ND FLOOR VIKAS BHAWAN, RAIL HEAD COMPLEX, JAMMU

The District Panchayat Election Officer,
(Deputy Commissioner),

Kupwara/Baramulla/Bandipora/Ganderbal/Srinagar/Budgam/
Pulwama/Shopian/Kulgam/Anantnag/Kishtwar/Doda/Leh/Kargil
Ramban/Udhampur/Reasi/Kathua/Samba/Jammu/ Rajouri/Poonch.

No. 5309 /Pyt/2011/5701-54

Dated: 30/04/2011

Sub.- Clarification regarding filing of nominations for Panchayat Elections by a Ration Dealer—
regarding.

Sir/ Madam,

This office vide its letter No: 5309/Pyt/2011/CEO/5430-61 dated: 25.04.2011, had issued instructions regarding the eligibility of Ration Dealers, who are either Govt employees or are supplying ration to the people on behalf of the government on commission basis and their eligibility to take part /contest in the ongoing Panchayat Election thereof. The above said instructions were issued on 25.04.2011, when the elections for 4 phases of Panchayat Election had already concluded and the scrutiny of nomination papers completed and the list of validity nominated candidates in Form PEL-9 prepared for the blocks falling upto the 8th phase of elections.

Keeping in view the above stated facts, it is clarified that a Ration dealer working on commission basis shall only be allowed to contest in Panchayat Election subject to the condition that he/she should file an affidavit along with the nomination papers, duly attested by Magistrate/ Notary by or before the date of scrutiny of nomination stating therein that if he /she gets elected, he /she will retain either Ration dealership or the post of Panch /Sarpanch. A final choice in this regard will be made by the elected Sarpanch/Panch within a period of 15 days of the declaration of the result. Necessary instructions may be communicated / issued to all the Returning Officers (ROs') /AROs.

Matter may be treated as Election urgent.

Yours faithfully,


Deputy Chief Electoral officer
Jammu.

Copy to the:-

- 1-2) Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir/Jammu.
- 3-24) DPEO _____ for kind inf and n/a
- 25-26) Director, Rural Development Department, Kashmir/Jammu.
- 27) Special Assistant to Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development and Law, Justice and parliamentary Affairs for kind information of the Hon'ble Minister.
- 28) Principal Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, J&K, Jammu for the kind information of the Chief Secretary.
- 29-30) Assistant Chief Electoral Officer, Kashmir/Jammu