

DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTION URGENT

OFFICE OF THE ELECTION COMMISSIONER FOR DISTRICT COUNCIL TRIPURA: AGARTALA

NO.F. 2(33) SEC/DC/ GEN-ELEC/ 2020/ 17236-51

Date: - 22/02/ 2021.

MEMORANDUM

For the purpose of ensuing General-Election to the District Council Constituencies, the matter of **entitlement/allotment/preference** regarding **symbols and the process thereof** needs to be elaborated and clarified.

2. As per provision under sub rule (2) of **Rule-40** of The **Tripura Tribal Area Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rule, 1985**, the **recognized Political Party** covers only the following categories: a Political Party recognized by the Election Commission of India as a **National Party** or a **State Party in the State of Tripura**.

3. As per provision of clause (b) of **Sub-rule (1) of Rule -40** of the said Rules, a **reserved symbol** is reserved by the Election Commission of India for exclusive allotment to a contesting candidate or candidates set up by a **recognized Political party**.

4. As per Notification issued by the Election Commission of India, following are the National and State Political Parties in the State of Tripura, and shall be treated as **recognized Political parties** for the purpose of the aforesaid Rules.

TABLE-I-National Parties

Sl.No.	Name of Party	Symbol
1	2	3
1	All India Trinamool Congress	Flowers & Grass
2	Bahujan Samaj Party	Elephant
3	Bharatiya Janata Party	Lotus
4	Communist Party of India	Ears of Corn and Sickle
5	Communist Party of India(Marxist)	Hammer, Sickle and Star
6	Indian National Congress	Hand
7	Nationalist Congress Party	Clock
8	National Peoples Party	Book

TABLE-II-State Party

Sl.No.	Name of Party	Symbol
1	2	3
1	Indigenous People's Front of Tripura	Dao

Contd.P/2.

4.I Accordingly, in terms of clause (b) of Sub-rule (1) of Rule- 40 and of the symbols as indicated in **Table-I** and **Table-II** above **shall be treated as reserved symbols**.

4.II In terms of clause (c) of Rule- 40 of The Tripura Tribal Area Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985, a candidate set up by recognized political party (as per **Table-I** and **Table- II** above) shall be **allotted symbol reserved** for that party provided the following conditions are met:

- i. The candidate(s) shall make a **declaration**, to the respective Returning Officers, in his/her Nomination paper that he/she is set up by the said party.
- ii. A Notice in writing in **(Annexure-I)** prescribed by the Election Commissioner for District Council has been delivered to the Returning Officer before the closing time of making Nomination with copy to the Election Commissioner for District Council.
- iii. The said notice is signed by the President, Chairman or General Secretary or a Secretary of the recognized State Political Party or the of the State Unit of the recognized national party.
- iv. The Duly attested Specimen signature as per clause (b) sub-rule (4) of Rule-40 of The Tripura Tribal Area Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985, of the President, Chairman, General Secretary or Secretary of the recognized State Party or of the State Unit of recognized National Party along with a letter to that effect from any of the aforesaid Office Bearers shall be sent to the respective Returning Officer so as to reach him not later than the closing time of making Nomination. **(Annexure-II)**

5. The **State parties recognized in other State** and having their units in the State of Tripura may make an application to the **Election Commissioner for District Council** for allotment/reservation of symbol. The Election Commissioner for District Council will thereafter, reserve the symbol (as allotted to the said party by ECI as a State Party in other State) for common use of the candidates set up by the said party for the aforesaid election subject to the following conditions:

a. Documents to be submitted to the Election Commissioner for District Council:

- i. The request in this regard is made by the concerned political party in the prescribed **Form (Annexure- A1)**.
- ii. The aforesaid request is to reach **Election Commissioner for District Council not later than** the third day after the publication of in the Official Gazette of the **Notification** issued under Rule- 38 and 39 of The Tripura Tribal Area Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985, **regarding the appointed date of Poll.**

Further, a final order in this regard will be passed by the Election Commissioner for District Council after taking into consideration the above.

b. Documents to be submitted to Returning Officer:

- i. The candidate(s) shall make a **declaration**, to the respective Returning Officers, in his/her Nomination paper that he/she is set up by the said party.
- ii. A Notice, regarding names of contesting candidates, in writing shall be submitted in the prescribed **Form (Annexure-I)** not later than the closing time of making **nomination** being delivered to the Returning Officer. A copy of this notice shall also be delivered to the concerned District Election Officer.
- iii. The notice is to be signed by the President, Chairman or General Secretary or if there is no General Secretary, the Secretary of the State Unit or by any member of such party duly authorized by the President, Chairman, General Secretary or Secretary as the case may be) of the concerned political party.
- iv. Duly attested Specimen signatures, as per clause (b) sub-rule (4) of Rule-40 of The Tripura Tribal Area Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985, Rules are sent in the prescribed Form **(Annexure-II)** to the respective **Returning Officer** so as to reach him not later than closing time of making Nomination.

6. Further, vide Notification No56/2019/PPS-III dated 10th January, 2020; the Election Commission of India has notified Free Symbols. This list has been further Notified by Election Commissioner for District Council vide Notification No.F. 2(33) SEC/DC/ GEN-ELEC/ 2020/ 17126-51 Dated 18/02/ 2021 in terms of Clause(a) of sub-rule(3) of Rule- 40 of The Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985.

7. Registered unrecognized political parties having their **units in the State** of Tripura, setting up their candidates for the General-Election to District Council Constituencies, 2021 would get preference in allotment of symbol over the other independent candidates subject to the following conditions:

- i. Candidates set up by these parties have to choose symbols out of the list of free symbols notified by the Election Commissioner for District Council.
- ii. The candidate(s) shall make a declaration, to the respective Returning Officers, in his/her Nomination paper that he/she is set up by the said party.
- iii. A Notice, regarding names of contesting candidates, in writing shall be submitted in the prescribed Form **(Annexure-I)** not later than the closing time of making nomination to the Returning Officer. A copy of this notice shall also be delivered to the concerned District Election Officer

- iv. The said notice is to be signed by the President, Chairman or General Secretary (or if there is no General Secretary, the Secretary of the State Unit of the concerned political party.
- v. Duly attested Specimen signature, as per clause (b) of Sub-Rule (4) of Rule-40 of the of the said Rules are sent in the prescribed Form (Annexure-II) to the respective **Returning Officer** so as to reach him not later than closing time of making Nomination.

7.1 The aforesaid parties as at Para-7 above may also make a request in prescribed Form (Anexxure-B1) for giving preference in allotment of Common Symbol (as a onetime concession for the purpose) provided the party concerned is setting up candidates in at least 10% of the Constituency of District Council. The aforesaid request shall mention in order of preference, three symbols (out of the list of free symbols notified by the Commission). Further, this request is to reach Election Commissioner for District Council not later than third day after the publication in the Official Gazette of the Notification issued under Rule-38 of the Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985 regarding the appointed date of Poll.

8. Besides, the Candidates, if any, sponsored by the parties other than the parties mentioned above, and are registered by the Election Commission of India, they would also get preference in allotment of symbols over the other independent candidates provided the conditions mentioned in **Para- 7 (i) to (v)** are fully met.

By order of the Election Commissioner for District Council.

Enclosures- Annexure -I, II, A, B.

P. Bhattarjee
22/02/2021
(P.Bhattacharjee)
Secretary to the
Election Commissioner for
District Council

Copy to:

1. The District Election Officer (DM & Collector), North/Unakoti/Dhalai/ Khowai/ West /Sepahijala /Gomati & South Tripura District for information.
2. The Returning Officer (SDM)..... Sub- Division for information & necessary action.

Copy forwarded for information to:

The President/Chairman/General Secretary/Secretary,.....(Party) of Tripura State Unit, Agartala.

P. Bhattarjee
22/02/2021
Secretary to the
Election Commissioner for
District Council

GENERAL ELECTION TO DISTRICT COUNCIL, 2021.**NOTICE AS TO THE NAMES OF CANDIDATE SETUP BY A RECOGNIZED POLITICAL PARTY**

To
The Returning Officer
District Council Constituency No ____.

Subject:- District Council Election, 2021- Setting up of Candidates by Political Party.

Sir,

In pursuance of the provisions of Clause (ii) of Sub rule (4) of Rule 40 of the Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985, I, on behalf of _____(Party), give notice.

i) That the person whose particulars are furnished in Columns (2) to (4) below is the approved Candidate of the party above named, and

ii) The persons whose particulars are mentioned in Columns (5) to (7) below is the substitute candidate of the party who will step in on the approved candidate's nomination being rejected on scrutiny or on his/her withdrawing from the contest, if the substitute candidates is still a contesting candidate at the ensuing General Election to District Council, 2021 from this constituency.

Name of the Constituency	Name of the approved candidates	Father's/Mother's/ Husband's name of the approved candidates	Postal Address of the approved candidate	Name of the substitute candidate who will step in (i) on the approved candidate's nomination being rejected on scrutiny or (ii) on his (approved Candidate) withdrawing from the contest if however the nomination paper of substitute candidates is accepted on scrutiny as an Independent Candidate and, he is still a contesting candidate	Father's/ Mother's/ Husband's name of the substitute candidate	Postal address of the substitute candidate
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

*(2) The Notice in Form-"B" given earlier in favour of Shri/Smt _____ as Party's approved candidate Shri/Smt _____ as Party's substitute candidate is hereby rescinded.

(3) It is certified that each of the Candidates whose name is mentioned above is a member of this Political Party and his name is duly borne on the rolls of members of this Party.

Yours faithfully,

Name and Signature of the
President/Chairman/General Secretary/Secretary
of the Party

Place _____
Date _____ 2021.

Seal of the Party

*Score off if not applicable.

N.B.

1. This must be delivered to the Returning Officer of the constituency so as to reach him not later than 3.00 PM on the last date for making nomination with a copy to the District Election Officer (District Magistrate) of the concerned District.
2. This notice is to be signed in ink by the Office bearer(s) mentioned above. No Facsimile Signature or Signature by means of rubber stamp etc. of any Office bearer shall be accepted.
3. No Form transmitted by Fax shall be accepted.
4. Para-2 of the Form must be scored off, if not applicable or must be properly filled, if applicable.

GENERAL ELECTION TO DISTRICT COUNCIL-2021

To
The Returning Officer
District Council Constituencies-2021

Subject:- General Election to District Council, 2021.

Sir,

I am to state that I am the * President/Chairman/General Secretary/ Secretary of the State Unit/Authorized member of _____ Party.

As required under Clause (b) of Sub-Rule (2) of Rule-40 of the Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985, I am giving below my specimen signature duly attested.

Yours faithfully,

Name & Signature of * President/
Chairman/General Secretary/Secretary/

Place _____

Date _____

Specimen Signature of Sri _____
the * President / Chairman / General Secretary / Secretary / Authorized Member of _____
_____ Party.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Attested by me.

Signature of the attesting person.

*Delete the inappropriate alternative.

N.B.

1. This must be sent to the respective Returning Officer so as to reach him not later than closing time of making of Nomination.
2. Forms are to be signed in ink by the President/Chairman/General Secretary/Secretary/ Authorized Member of the Party.
3. No facsimile signature by means of rubber stamp etc. of any of the above or authorized person shall be accepted.
4. No Form transmitted by Fax shall be accepted.
5. Specimen signature of President/Chairman/General Secretary / Secretary must be attested as required by Clause (b) of the Sub-Rule-(4) of Rule- 40 of the Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rule, 1985.

To,
Election Commissioner for District Council
Tripura .

Sub: - Request for reservation of symbol for use of candidates set up by Parties which are registered / recognized parties in the other States (as per ECI notification) and are having their units **in the State**.

The (name of party).....which is recognized as State Party by Election Commission of India in the following States. *

- a)
- b)
- c)
- d)
- e)

The party is having State unit in Tripura with its office at (address) **.....is setting up its candidates for the General Election to District Council, 2021.

It is requested that Election Commissioner for District Council may **reserve** the symbol***, as reserved by the Election Commission of India in the other State, for use of the candidates to set up in the General Election to District Council, 2021.

For the purpose of reservation of symbol for its candidates, the party shall also meet the following conditions:

- i. The candidate(s) shall make **declaration**, to the respective Returning Officers, in his/her Nomination paper that he/she is set up by the said party. They shall also indicate the symbol*** which is reserved for their party by ECI.
- ii. A notice, regarding names of contesting candidates, in writing shall be submitted in the prescribed Form (Annexure-I) **not later than the closing time of making nomination** being delivered to the Returning Officer. A copy of this notice shall also be delivered to the concerned Election Commissioner for District Council.
- iii. The said notice is to be signed by the President, Chairman or General Secretary or the Secretary of the State Unit of the concerned political party.
- iv. Duly attested Specimen signature, as per Clause (b) of Sub-Rule-(4) of the said Rules, are sent in the prescribed Form (Annexure-II) to the respective **Returning Officer** so as to reach him not later than closing time of making nomination.

**Signature of Chairman or
President or General Secretary
Or Secretary of the State unit of the Party**

Note:

- 1.*- Names of all the State where Party is recognized.
- 2.** Address of the Party in Tripura.
- 3.*** Symbol as allotted by Election Commission of India Vide Notification No.F.56/2014 for this Party in respective States.
4. Annexure-I, II above means Annexure as specified in Notification of Election Commissioner for District Council.
5. The aforesaid request is to reach the O/o the **Election Commissioner for District Council not later than 3(three) days after date of Notification** issued under Rule-38 of Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules,1985 **regarding the appointed date of Poll.**

To,
The Election Commissioner for
District Council

Sub:- Request for allotment of symbol for common use of candidates set up by the registered unrecognized political parties having their **units in the State**.

The
Party*.....which is registered by the
Election Commission of India having its office
(address)**..... is setting up their
candidates for the General Election to District Council, 2021.

It is requested that Election Commission for District Council may give preference in allotment of common symbol.

The symbols (which are listed free symbol in the Notification issued by State Election Commission) for use of its candidates preferred are***

- 1) First Preference
- 2) Second Preference
- 3) Third Preference

Besides meeting the requirement of setting up candidates in at least 10% of District Council and party shall also meet the following conditions:

- i. Candidates set up by these parties have to choose symbols out of the list of free symbols notified by the Commission. The Candidates shall give the first preference to the common symbol preferred by the party.
- ii. The candidate(s) shall make a declaration, to the respective Returning Officers, in his/her Nomination paper that he/she is set up by the said party.
- iii. A Notice, regarding names of contesting candidates, in writing shall be submitted in the prescribed Form (Annexure-I) not later than the closing time of making nomination being delivered to the Returning officer. A copy of this notice shall also be delivered to the concerned District Election Officer (DM & Collector).
- iv. The said notice is to be signed by the president, Chairman or General Secretary or the Secretary of the State Unit of the concerned political party.
- v. Authorization letter in the prescribed **Form (Annexure-II)** for authorizing persons to send Notice regarding names of candidates proposed by the Party.
- vi. Duly attested Specimen signature, as per clause (b) of Sub-Rule-4 of the said Rules, are sent in the prescribed Form (Annexure-II) to the respective **Returning Officer** so as to reach him not later than closing time of making nomination.

**Signature of Chairman or
President or General Secretary/
Secretary of the State unit of the Party**

Note:

- 1.*- Registered Name of party
- 2.** Address of the Party in Tripura
- 3.***Please clearly describe the symbols(in the order of preference) which are preferred out of free symbols (indicate the serial number as in the Notification of the Election Commissioner for District Council).
4. The aforesaid request is to reach the O/o the Election Commissioner for District Council not later than 3(three) days after the publication in the Official Gazette of the Notification issued under Rule-38 of the Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (Constitution, Election and Conduct of Business) Rules, 1985 regarding the appointed date of Poll.