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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS-F) DEPARTMENT

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA ORDER REGARDING PRODUCTION OF ELECTORAL PHOTO IDENTITY CARDS OR OTHER ALTERNATIVE DOCUMENTS FOR IDENTIFICATION OF ELECTORS IN BIENNIAL ELECTIONS TO THE ANDHRA PRADESH LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FROM GRADUATES' AND TEACHERS' CONSTITUENCIES.

[Memo No. 545/Elecs.F/2011-43, General Administration (Elections.F) Department, dated: 27-02-2011.]

The following Order of the Election Commission of India, New Delhi, No. 3/4/ID/2011/SDR(Council), dated 22nd February, 2011 is published :-

ORDER

Whereas, the Election Commission has been following the policy of compulsory identification of electors by means of specified identification documents at elections to the House of the People and Legislative Assemblies from the year 2000 onwards, so as to prevent impersonation at elections thereby making the right of genuine electors to vote under section 62 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 more effective; and

2. Whereas, keeping in view the provisions of Rules 35(3) and 37(2)(b) of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, the Commission has been issuing directions that the electors at election to House of the People and Legislative Assemblies shall produce their Electors Identity Cards or other specified documents at the polling station and failure or refusal on their part to produce those Electors Identity Cards or documents may result in the denial of supply of a ballot paper to them and permission to vote; and

3. Whereas, the said provisions regarding identification of electors and safeguards against impersonation are equally applicable at elections from Graduates' and Teachers' Constituencies, and as the electors in these constituencies are also electors in assembly constituencies, they may have been supplied with Electoral Photo Identity Cards as electors in their respective Assembly Constituencies;

4. Now, therefore, after taking into account all relevant factors and the legal and factual position, the Election Commission hereby directs that all electors at the current biennial election to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council from Srikakulam-Vizianagaram-Visakhapatnam Graduates' Constituency, Prakasam-Nellore-Chittoor Graduates' Constituency, Kadapa-Anantapur-Kurnool Graduates' Constituency, Prakasam-Nellore-Chittoor Teachers, Constituency, Kadapa-Anantapur-Kurnool Teachers' Constituency and Mahabubnagar-Ranga Reddy-Hyderabad Teachers' Constituencies, in the State of Andhra Pradesh who have been issued with their EPICs, shall have to produce these cards to exercise their franchise, when they come to the polling stations for voting at the current biennial elections to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council from the said Constituencies, notified on 15th February, 2011. Those electors who are not able to produce their EPICs, will have to produce any of the following alternative documents for establishing their identity :-

- (i) Ration cards with photographs issued on or before 31-01-2011,
- (ii) Service Identity Cards with photographs issued to employees by State/Central Government/Public Sector Undertaking or Public Limited Companies,
- (iii) Driving Licences issued on or before 31-01-2011 with photographs,
- (iv) Passbooks with photograph issued by Public Sector Banks/Post Office (accounts opened on or before 31-01-2011),
- (v) Income Tax Identity Card (PAN Card),
- (vi) Passports,
- (vii) ATM cards with photographs issued by Banks on or before 31-01-2011,
- (viii) Arms Licences with photographs issued on or before 31-01-2011,
- (ix) Pension documents with photographs such as Pension Payment Order, ex-servicemen pension book with photographs, ex-servicemen's widow/dependent certificate.
- (x) Certificate of physical handicap with photographs issued by the competent authority,
- (xi) Freedom Fighters identity card with photograph,
- (xii) Pattadar pass books containing photographs issued on or before 31-01-2011,
- (xiii) Property documents such as Pattas, Registered Deeds etc., with photographs issued on or before 31-01-2011.

By Order,

K. F. WILFRED,

*Secretary,
Election Commission of India.*

BHANWAR LAL,

*Chief Electoral Officer & E.O.,
Principal Secretary to Government.*