



राज्य निर्वाचन आयोग हिमाचल प्रदेश

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION HIMACHAL PRADESH

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No. SEC-16-70/2014- 7616 - 39 dated the 22 Dec, 2015.

NOTIFICATION

Whereas, the State Election Commission had issued election programme for the conduct of elections to Panchayati Raj Institutions in the State of Himachal Pradesh vide notification no SEC. 16-70/2014-I-6136 dated 5th December, 2015 and allotment of symbols were scheduled to be held on 21st December, 2015.

And whereas, on 22nd December, 2015 it was brought to the knowledge of the State Election Commission by the Returning Officer -cum- Sub Divisional Officer © Barsar District Hamirpur vide letter no SDB-MA/ZP/2015- dated 22nd December, 2015 that due to certain unintentional mistakes symbols for the candidates of Zila Parishad Wards falling in Development Block Bijhari were not allotted as per the procedure laid down in the acts and rules, hence, prayed to issue suitable guidelines to rectify the mistake.

And whereas, the State Election Commission has examined the matter as per the provisions contained in HP Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 and rules framed there under. The commission is of the considered view that the bonafide error has occurred during the allotment of symbols in respect of Zila Parishad Wards falling under Development Block Bijhari, District Hamirpur.

Therefore, the State Election Commission in exercise of the powers vested in it under Article 243-K of the Constitution of India, Sec 160 of the HP Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 read with rule 32 (5) of the HP Panchyati Raj Election Rules 1994 do hereby invalidates the process of allotment of symbols in respect of all Zila Parishad Wards falling under Development Block Bijhari, District Hamirpur held on 21.12.2015 ; and further orders that the process for the allotment of symbols shall be held denovo. However, the process undertaken up to the listing of contesting candidates in respect of all Zila Parishad Wards falling under Development Block Bijhari, District Hamirpur completed on 21.12.2015 shall remain valid.

The State Election Commission do further modifies under Rule 32(5) of Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj (Election) Rules, 1994, the election programme in respect of all the Panchayati Raj Institutions falling under Development Block Bijhari District Hamirpur as under:

1	The list of contesting candidates in respect of all Zila Parishad Wards falling under Development Block Bijhari, District Hamirpur.	On 21st December, 2015 immediately after the time of withdrawal is over.
2	Allotment of symbols in respect of	On 23rd Dec, 2015 at 10 am.

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	all Zila Parishad Wards falling under Development Block Bijhari, District Hamirpur.	
6	The Poll in respect of all Panchyati Raj Institutions falling under Development Block Bijhari shall be held from 7 AM to 3 PM	Ist Phase 02 January, 2016 2nd Phase 04 January, 2016 3rd Phase 06 January, 2016
7	Counting of votes, in the event of Poll, shall be done	(i)The counting of votes for the Ward Members, Up-Pradhan and Pradhan of Gram Panchayats shall be taken up immediately after the close of the poll at the Gram Panchayats Headquarters. (ii)The counting of votes for the members of Panchayat Samiti and Zila Parishad shall be taken up on 7th January, 2016 at 8.30 AM. at respective Block Headquarters. The counting for a Ward Members once started shall continue until it is completed.
8.	The results of election shall be declared.	The results of the election of Member, Up-Pradhan & Pradhan of Gram Panchayat shall be declared immediately after the counting is over. The result of election of Members of Panchayat Samiti and Zila Parishad shall be declared on the day of counting at the Block Headquarters immediately after the counting process is over. The result of election to Zila Parishad shall be declared in accordance with the provisions contained in rule 75(vi) of the Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj (Election) Rules, 1994.

Note: **The process of election shall be completed by 10th January, 2016.**

By Order

(T.G. Negi)
State Election Commissioner
Himachal Pradesh

Endst.No.SEC. 16-70/2014-6137-6146


Dated the 22nd Dec 2015.

The **District Election Officers (Panchayat) –cum-** Deputy Commissioner Hamirpur with the direction that he will issue modified notice of Election Programme in accordance with the provisions contained in Rule 33 of the Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj (Election) Rules, 1994 today on 22nd December, 2015 on which the




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State Election Commission has issued, supra notification. A copy of notice in Form-17 required under ibid rule may be ensured to send to this Office for information.


(Dr. Ashwani Kumar Sharma)
Secretary
State Election Commission
Himachal Pradesh.

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. The Principal Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, H.P.
2. The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of H.P.
3. All the Special / Sr.Private Secretaries to the Cabinet Ministers / Chief Parliamentary Secretaries to the Govt. of H.P.
4. The Director General Police, Himachal Pradesh.
5. All Principal Secretaries/Secretaries to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
6. The Secretary (Panchayat Raj) to the Govt. of H.P.
7. The Secretary (GAD) to the Govt. of HP with the request that the day of poll in Panchayat concerned be declared a paid holiday. It should also be declared a Public Holiday under the Negotiable Instrument Act in order to enable the electors to exercise their right of franchise.
8. Director Panchayati Raj Deptt. Shimla-9.
9. The Superintendents of Police Hamirpur.
10. The Asstt. Distt.Election Officer(P)-cum-Distt. Panchayat Officer, Hamirpur.
11. Tthe Block Development Officer, Bijhari.
12. E- Gazette.
13. Guard File.


Secretary
State Election Commission
Himachal Pradesh.

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