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Government Notice No. 185 of 2019

THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT

Regulations made by the President under section 85 of the Representation of the People Act

1. These regulations may be cited as the National Assembly Elections (Amendment) Regulations 2019.

2. In these regulations –

"principal regulations" means the National Assembly Elections Regulations 2014.

- 3. Regulation 12 of the principal regulations is amended
 - (a) by revoking paragraph (4) and replacing it by the following paragraph –

(4) In the case of a general election, each candidate shall make and subscribe on his nomination paper a declaration as to which of the Hindu, Muslim, Sino-Mauritian or General Population community he belongs.

- (b) in paragraph (6)
 - (i) in subparagraph (b)(iii), by revoking sub sub subparagraph (B) and replacing it by the following sub sub subparagraph –
 - (B) the community to which he belongs.
 - (ii) in subparagraph (c), by revoking sub subparagraph
 (iii) and replacing it by the following sub subparagraph –
 - (iii) the community to which he belongs.

(c) in paragraph (8)(b), by deleting the words "paragraph (2)(b)" and replacing them by the words "paragraph (2)(b) and (4)".

4. Regulation 24 of the principal regulations is amended by deleting the words ", Creole, Bhojpuri, Gujerati, Hindi, Marathi, Modern Chinese, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu" and replacing them by the words "and Creole".

5. Regulation 51 of the principal regulations is amended, in paragraph (1), by deleting the words "and the Constitution (Declaration of Community) (Temporary Provisions) Act 2014".

6. Regulation 52 of the principal regulations is amended, in paragraph (1), by deleting the words "and the Constitution (Declaration of Community) (Temporary Provisions) Act 2014".

7. Regulation 53 of the principal regulations is amended by deleting the words "and the Constitution (Declaration of Community) (Temporary Provisions) Act 2014".

8. The First Schedule to the principal regulations is revoked and replaced by the First Schedule set out in the First Schedule to these regulations.

9. The Second Schedule to the principal regulations is amended by deleting the following words –

#The facsimile of the symbol of identification shall -

- (a) consist of a line-drawing in black colour on a white background; and
- (b) occupy a space within the range of 25 x 25 mm and $50 \times 50 \text{ mm}$

and replacing them by the following words -

#The facsimile of the symbol of identification shall –

- (a) consist of a line-drawing in black colour on a white background; and
- (b) fit within a space of 20 mm by 15 mm; but
- (c) not consist of any letter, word, figure or alphanumeric in any language, or any punctuation mark.

10. The Third Schedule to the principal regulations is amended, in Part II, by revoking Sub-part B and replacing it by Sub-part B set out in the Second Schedule to these regulations.

11. The Eleventh Schedule to the principal regulations is amended, in the third column, by deleting the words "(where declared by candidate)".

12. The Twelfth Schedule to the principal regulations is amended, in the fifth column, by deleting the words "(where declared by candidate)".

13. These regulations shall come into operation on 7 October 2019.

Made by the President on 7 October 2019.

FIRST SCHEDULE [Regulation 8]

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[Regulations 2 and 5(1)]

FORM 1

[Regulations 2 and 5(1) of the National Assembly Elections Regulations 2014]

NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF MEMBER/S OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE CONSTITUENCY OF

The President of the Republic having issued a writ for the election of Member/s of the National Assembly for the above mentioned constituency, the returning officer for the said constituency will, on the day of 20 next ensuing, between the hours of and at, the duly appointed nomination centre, receive the nomination of candidates for election as Member/s of the National Assembly for the above mentioned constituency and if there is no opposition, proceed to the election of Member/s of the above mentioned constituency.

Forms of nomination paper may be obtained at the office of between the hours of and on working days, except on Saturdays when the office will be closed at

Every nomination paper shall be signed by at least 4 registered electors of the above mentioned constituency, be accompanied by the National Identity Card of the candidate, or such other proof of his identity as the Electoral Commissioner may, after consultation with the Commission, determine, and be submitted to the returning officer between the hours of and

Where a nomination paper is submitted by a person acting on behalf of a candidate, it shall be accompanied by the National Identity Card of that person and that of the candidate, or such other proof of his or their identity as the Electoral Commissioner may, after consultation with the Commission, determine.

Every nomination paper shall specify the name, sex, address and occupation of the candidate, shall contain a declaration by the candidate that he is qualified and shall be accompanied by a deposit of 1,500 rupees.

In the case of a general election, each candidate belonging to a party or party alliance shall make and subscribe on his nomination paper a declaration –

- (a) of the party or party alliance, if any, registered under regulation 8 of the National Assembly Elections Regulations 2014, to which he belongs, and he shall submit a certificate from his party or party alliance certifying that he belongs to that party or party alliance;
- (b) as to which of the Hindu, Muslim, Sino-Mauritian or General Population community he belongs to.

Date Signature of Returning Officer

SECOND SCHEDULE [Regulation 10]

Sub-Part B (to be completed only in the case of a general election)

2.* I hereby declare that I am a member of the party/party alliance# which is registered under regulation 8 of the National Assembly Elections Regulations 2014 and I am annexing a certificate from my party/party alliance# certifying that I am a member of that party/party alliance#.

3. I also hereby declare that I am a member of the Hindu/Muslim/ Sino-Mauritian/General Population community# within the meaning of paragraph 3(4) of the First Schedule to the Constitution.