NOTIFICATION

Whereas, in pursuance of Rule 7 of the J&K Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996, the Government had issued a Notification, in consultation with the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K), vide its SRO No.78 dated 14th March, 2011, calling upon the Panchayat Halqas in the State to elect Sarpanches and Panches on the dates to be appointed by Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K);

Whereas, in pursuance of Rule 8 of J&K Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996, the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) had issued a Notification on 1st April, 2011, notifying the dates for the 5th Phase of Election for Sarpanches and Panches in respect of Blocks Rajwara, Wagoora, Khansahib, D.H.Pora, Arnas, Panchari, Basohli, Darhal and Budhal, as per the schedule given below:-

a) 1st April, 2011 as date of issue of Gazette Notification,
b) 8th April, 2011 last date for making Nominations,
c) 9th April, 2011 date of Scrutiny of Nominations,
d) 13th April, 2011 last date for withdrawal of candidate,
e) 30th April, 2011 date of poll/counting wherever, necessary,

Whereas, the District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Kupwara vide his wireless message No.DCK/PS/2011/583-85 dated 30-04-2011 has intimated that during the poll day on 30-04-2011, one Mohammad Qasim, Polling Officer No.2 at Panch Constituency No.2 of KP-167-Bakhi Haker Panchayat has reportedly cast number of female votes himself depriving the bonafide voters from casting their votes;

Whereas, the District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Kupwara has recommended that the polling in respect of Panch Constituency No.2 of KP-167-Bakhi Haker Panchayat may be countermanded and re-poll held thereafter;

Whereas, the report of District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Kupwara has been perused and it has been decided to order a re-poll at Panch Constituency No.2 of KP-167-Bakhi Haker Panchayat;
Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 36 of the J&K Panchayati Raj Act, 1989 read with rule 3 of J&K Panchayat Raj Rules, 1996, the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) hereby issues directions that fresh poll shall be taken for Panch Constituency No.2 of KP-167-Bakhi Haker Panchayat of Block Rajwara. The re-poll will be taken on 08-05-2011 between 08:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and counting of voters will be held on the same day alongwith other Panch Constituencies and Sarpanch Panchayat Halqa.

(B. R Sharma) IAS
Election Authority
Under Panchayati Raj Act, 1989
(Chief Electoral Officer, J&K)
Jammu

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Dated: 30-04-2011

Copy to the:-
1. Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Rural Development Department, J&K, Jammu for information.
2. Director, Information and Publicity, J&K, Jammu with the request to publish the notification through electronic and print media especially in Kashmir Division.
4. State Informatics Officer, NIC, J&K, Jammu for information and with the request to publish the above said notification in the website.
5. District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Kupwara with the direction to ensure that polled ballot boxes of the remaining Panch Constituencies falling in KP-167-Bakhi Haker Panchayat of Block Rajwara should be sealed and kept in safe custody in the District Treasury and taken up for counting on 08-05-2011 alongwith the polled ballot papers of Panch Constituency No.2 of KP-167-Bakhi Haker Panchayat. He will also circulate the above said notification to the concerned Returning Officer.
6. Principal Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, J&K, Jammu for the kind information of Chief Secretary, J&K.