OFFICE OF THE
ELECTION AUTHORITY
UNDER PANCHAYATI RAJ ACT, 1999
(CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, JAMMU & KASHMIR)
2ND FLOOR VIKAS BHAWAN, RAIL HEAD COMPLEX, JAMMU

The District Election Officer,
(Deputy Commissioner)
Kupwara/Baramulla/Bandipora/Ganderbal/Srinagar/Budgam/
Pulwama/Shopian/Kulgam/Anantnag/Leh/Kargil/Kishtwar/Doda/
Ramban/Reasi/Udhampur/Kathua/Samba/Jammu/Rajouri/Poonch

No. 165 /CEO/PYT/2011/2602-30

Subject: (i) Panchayat Electoral Rolls – Supply of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 to the Recognized/Registered Political Parties of State in a soft form on DVD-R – regarding.

(ii) Supply of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 to the contesting candidates on payment basis – regarding.

Sir,

Your kind attention is drawn to the fact that the State Government has decided to hold the Panchayat Elections in the State on Non-party basis. As per the provisions contained in the J&K Panchayati Raj Act, 1989 and J&K Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996, the free of cost printed sets of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011, are not required to be provided to the Registered/Recognized Political Parties of the State or to the contesting candidates. However the matter was further discussed in the review meeting held in Srinagar on 15-03-2011 to check the preparedness for the Panchayat Elections, 2011. After detailed discussions with the District Panchayat Election Officers (Deputy Commissioners) of Kashmir Division, it was decided that softcopies of the Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 shall be made available to all the Recognized/Registered Political Parties in the State on DVD-R (Ready only) on payment basis as per rates prescribed by Election Commission of India @ Rs.100/- per DVD-R, with the request that they can, in turn, print multiple sets of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 as per their need and requirement at their own cost.

In this regard, I am to inform, you that necessary directions have already been issued to all the Electoral Roll Vendors, to provide Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011, in a soft form on DVD-R (Read only). The Electoral Roll Vendors will supply 15 sets of DVD-R’s duly labelled to the concerned Assistant Chief Electoral Officer within the next two days. Fifteen (15) sets of District-wise DVD-R can be collected from the office of Assistant Chief Electoral Officer, Jammu/Kashmir and the same can be provided/made available to the representative of Recognized/Registered Party against proper receipt on payment basis. Similarly the softcopy of
Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 (DVD-R) can also be provided to any one of the contesting candidates on payment basis as referred to above.

As regards, the contesting candidates, it is pointed out that eighteen (18) sets of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 in Urdu have been provided to the District Panchayat Election Officers (Deputy Commissioners) of Kashmir Division and District Panchayat Election Officers (Deputy Commissioners) of Doda, Kishtwar, Ramban, Rajouri and Poonch Districts. Similarly, Twenty-three (23) sets of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 (13 sets in Urdu and 10 sets in Hindi) have been provided to the District Panchayat Election Officers (Deputy Commissioners) of Jammu Kathua, Udampur, Reasi and Samba Districts. However not more than 10 sets of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 will be required for the actual conduct of elections. The balance sets of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 can be provided/supplied to the contesting candidates on payment basis as per the rates approved by the Election Commission of India i.e., Rs.2/- for the front page and Rs.1.50 paisa for the remaining pages. In addition to the above, instructions have been issued to the Electoral Roll Vendors to print and supply ten (10) additional sets of Panchayat Electoral rolls, 2011. These additional sets will also be used for meeting the requirements of the contesting candidates on payment basis. In case additional copies of Electoral Rolls are still required to be provided to any one of the contesting candidates, then the same can be printed from softcopy (DVD-R) supplied to you and supplied to him/her as per the rates fixed by the Election Commission of India. The cost recovered on account of supply of DVD-R’s as well as printed sets of Panchayat Electoral Rolls, 2011 to the contesting candidates shall be deposited in Government Treasury against proper receipt.

Matter may be treated as Election Urgent.

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to the:-
1. Special Assistant to Hon’ble Minister for Rural Development Department and Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs for kind information of the Hon’ble Minister.
2. Assistant Chief Electoral Officer, Jammu/Kashmir with the request to coordinate and tie up with the Electoral Roll Vendors for getting DVD-R pertaining to the districts and handing over same to the representative of District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) against the proper receipt.
3. M/s Comtech Info Solutions, Baramulla /Srinagar
4. M/s Master Computers, Srinagar
5. M/s Trouble Shooters, Srinagar
6. M/s Saif IT Solutions, Srinagar
7. M/s T.J. Enterprises, New Delhi

With the respect to provide district-wise DVD-R immediately to Assistant Chief Electoral Officers concerned. The block-wise Electoral Rolls of one particular District will be copied to one DVD-R which will be properly labelled and numbered and 20 sets will be prepared for each District and supplied to Assistant Chief Electoral Officer concerned against proper receipt.