### Office of the Chief Electoral Officer Jammu and Kashmir

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### NOTIFICATION Dated: 31st August, 2018

Whereas, in accordance with Section 10-A of the Jammu & Kashmir Municipal Corporation Act, 2000, and Section 11-A of the Jammu & Kashmir Municipal Act, 2000, wards are to be reserved for Women/Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes in the Municipal bodies of the State.

Whereas, based on the population data, wards to be notified as reserved wards for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Women (Open Category) Women (Scheduled Caste Category) and Women (Scheduled Tribe Category) were worked out and notified vide Notice No: 2080/CEO/ME/2018/4446-4475 dated 20th August 2018 inviting objections/ suggestions in this regard;

Whereas, various objections and suggestions were received within the prescribed period and each such objection/suggestion was considered and reports were also sought from the concerned Deputy Commissioners (District Election Officers) in this regard;

Whereas, a number of objections pertaining to reserving/ de-reserving of a ward for women or SC or ST or application of roster were found to be devoid of merit as the reservation has been made strictly following the provisions of the Act/Rules and the specified principles, with due reference to the population data furnished by the Deputy Commissioners;

Whereas, in following cases, however, the objections were examined and it has been found necessary to modify the reservation proposed in aforementioned notice:

### A. Municipal Committee, Rajouri

Examining an objection to reservation of Ward no. 11 for Women (Open) though it was so reserved in 2005 elections too, it was noted that vide Corrigendum No: 2 to Notification dated 8th December, 2004, following modifications were made:

- i) Ward No. 1 shall be kept reserved for Scheduled Tribe Category.
- ii) Ward No. 9 shall be kept reserved for Scheduled Caste Category.
- iii) Ward No's 3, 6, 11 & 13 shall be kept reserved for Women (open category) instead of Ward Nos. 3, 6, 9 & 13.



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Therefore, taking cognizance of these changes, and applying the principles notified vide Notice No: 2080/CEO/ME/2018/4446-4475 dated 20th August 2018, it is observed that while the wards to be reserved for SC and ST would remain unchanged, the Wards Nos. 1, 4, 8, 11, & 14 proposed to be reserved for Women (open category) in Notice dated 20th August 2018 would change to Wards Nos. 1, 4, 8, 12, & 14.

### B. Municipal Committee, Ghou Manhasan:

Examining an objection to reservation of Ward no. 6 for SC, it was noted that vide Corrigendum No: 3 to Notification dated 8th December, 2004 following modifications were made:

Ward No. 5 shall be kept reserved for Scheduled Caste Category instead of Ward No. 1 as notified earlier. Ward No. 1 shall now be in open category.

Therefore, taking cognizance of the change mentioned above and applying the principles notified vide Notice No: 2080/CEO/ME/2018/4446-4475 dated 20th August 2018, the wards proposed to be reserved for SC and SC (Women) viz; Wards Nos. 5, 6 & 7 and 5 respectively in Notice dated 20th August 2018 would change to Wards Nos. 4, 5 & 7 to be reserved for SC and out of these Ward No. 4 to be reserved for SC (Women).

### C. Municipal Committee, R S Pora:

Examining an objection to reservation of Ward no. 4 for SC though it was so reserved in 2005 too, it was noted that vide Corrigendum No: 4 to Notification dated 8th December, 2004 following modifications were made:

i) Ward No 4 shall be kept reserved for Scheduled Caste Category instead of Ward No. 12 as notified earlier. Ward No. 12 shall now be in open category.

Therefore, taking cognizance of this change and applying the principles notified vide Notice No: 2080/CEO/ME/2018/4446-4475 dated 20th August 2018, the reservation proposed under various categories in Notice dated 20th August 2018 would require change to:

- a. Wards Nos. 5, 6, 9 & 13 shall be reserved for SC and out of these, Ward No 5 shall be reserved for SC (Women).
- b. Ward Nos. 1, 4 & 10 shall be reserved for Women (open category).

### D. Municipal Committee, Ramnagar

Examining an objection to reservation of ward no. 7 and 12 for SC, it was noted that vide Corrigendum No: 6 to Notification dated 8th December, 2004 following modifications were made:

i) Ward No: 13 shall be kept reserved for Scheduled Caste category instead of Ward No. 1 as notified earlier. Ward No. 1 shall be now in Open category.



Therefore, taking cognizance of this change, and based on the principles notified vide Notice No: 2080/CEO/ME/2018/4446-4475 dated 20th August 2018, the wards to be reserved would undergo following change:

- a. Wards Nos. 1,7,9,10,12 would be reserved for SC instead of 7, 9,10,12,13 proposed in Notice dated 20th August 2018.
- b. Out of these Wards to be reserved for SC, Ward Nos. 1 and 10 would be reserved for SC (Women).
- c. Wards 2 & 5 would be reserved for Women (Open) instead of Wards 1 & 5.

Now, therefore, after incorporating all the changes as stated above to the proposed reservation Notice dated 20th August 2018, the final notification of reservation of wards for the Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils and Municipal Committees is annexed herewith as Annexure - I to this notification.

Sd/-(Shaleen Kabra)IAS Chief Electoral Officer, J&K, Srinagar

No:-2080/CEO/ME/2018/ 4706-4735

Dated: - 31 -08-2018

### Copy to:-

- 1. Financial Commissioner, Housing & Urban Development Department, J&K Srinagar.
- 2. Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir/Jammu
- 3. Deputy Commissioners (all).
- 4. Director Information & Public Relations Department, J&K, Srinagar.
- 5. Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation / Commissioner, Srinagar Municipal Corporation for information and necessary action.
- 6. Principal Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, J&K for kind information of Chief Secretary.

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Dy Chief Electoral Officer,
Central (J&K)

### PRINCIPLES FOLLOWED TO DETERMINE THE TOTAL NUMBER AS WELL AS THE SPECIFIC WARDS TO BE RESERVED UNDER VARIOUS CATEGORIES

- The number of wards reserved for various categories (SC, ST & Women) in each Municipal Body have been fixed on the basis of the prescribed ratio under the Act for each category and applying the principle of mathematical round off with the part fraction of 0.5 and above being rounded off to 1 and part fraction below 0.5 being ignored for each Municipal Body separately.
- 2. For Women, the Act provides for reservation of wards at the rate of 1/3rd of the total number of seats for each Municipal Body. This includes reservation for SC Women candidates and ST Women candidates at the rate of one-third of the number of seats reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes respectively, in each Municipal Body. The number of Wards to be reserved for Women (Open Category), Women (SC Category) and Women (ST Category) for each Municipal Body have been fixed accordingly after applying the principle of mathematical rounding off as given in para 1 for each Municipal Body Separately.
- 3. The Jammu & Kashmir Municipal Corporation Act, 2000, amended from time to time provides that the number of wards to be reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in every Municipal Body have to be in proportion to the total population of the SCs and STs in the area falling under the Municipal Body. For this purpose, the population of SCs and STs in the Municipal area has been furnished by the Deputy Commissioners.
- 4. The identification of the Wards to be reserved by rotation for SCs and STs is on the basis of SC/ST population of the identified wards in descending order, after excluding the wards reserved in 2005 elections and such wards where their population percentage is less than that equivalent to one seat.
- 5. The allocation of specific wards to be reserved for Women (Open Category), Women (SC Category) and Women (ST Category) has been done on a three point roster system for each category separately of Women (Open Category), Women (SC Category) and Women (ST Category). The Roster points have been taken as follows:
  - (i) Seat reserved for Women;
  - (ii) Open Seat;
  - (iii) Open Seat;
- 6. This three point roster system has been applied for each Municipal Body for the wards in each category of Open, Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes after listing them in increasing numeric order for each category. In case the roster leads to a ward which has been reserved in 2005 under the same category, the ward immediately next in serial has been reserved for that particular roster point.

(Shaleen Keora) IAS Chief Electoral Officer, J&K, Srinagar

## ANNEXURE - I to NOTIFICATION Dated 31-08-2018

# Detailed distribution of reserved wards in Municipal bodies of J&K

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