Office of the Election Authority

Under J&K Panchayati Raj Act, 1989 (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K)

"Greater Participation for a Stronger Democracy"

ORDER No.: CEO/Pyt/2018/715 DATED: 19-11-2018

Whereas, in terms of Notification dated 26-10-2018, conduct of elections to elect Sarpanchs and Panchs for various Halqa Panchayats including Panchayat Halqa, Thayan – B, Block Kalaroos, of district Kupwara was notified; and

Whereas, one Wali Mohammad Gakhad S/o Sh. Shair Zaman R/o Kalarooch Thayan Gojran, had filed Nomination as a contesting candidate for Sarpanch (reserved for ST) of the said Panchayat Halqa; and

Whereas, District Panchayat Election Officer (Depuy Commissioner) Kupwara has reported that based on a complaint and enquiry into the matter, the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kupwara has passed an order dated 17-11-2018, rescinding the provisional Schedule Tribe (ST) certificate issued to the said candidate, as the same had been issued without any proof in the records, of the candidate belonging to ST category; and

Whereas, the District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Kupwara vide letter NO; DEO/Elec/18/1684 dated 18-11-2018 has reported and recommended the rejection of candidature of the said candidate, *ab initio*;

Now, therefore, considering the above stated report and recommendation of the District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Kupwara, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 36 of J&K Panchayati Raj Act, 1989 read with Rule 8 of J&K Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996, the nomination papers of Wali Mohammad Gakhad, S/o Sh. Shair Zaman R/o Kalarooch Thayan Gojran, contesting candidate for election as Sarpanch of Panchayat Halqa Thayan – B (reserved for ST), Block Kalaroos, Kupwara are hereby rejected ab initio.

(Shaleen Kabra) IAS
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- 1. Divisional Commissioner Kashmir for information.
- 2. District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Kupwara for information and n/a. He shall instruct the concerned Returning Officer/Presiding Officers concerned to strike off the name and symbol of Sh. Wali Mohammad Gakhad from the Ballot papers of the Panchayat Halqa Thayan B, Block Kalaroos, Kupwara before the Poll is taken. He shall also take appropriate legal action against the concerned for obtaining the ST certificate fraudulently.