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SHURBIR SINGH, I.A.S., Chief Electoral Officer.

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi - 110 001.

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ORDER

- 1. Whereas, section 61 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 provides that with a view to preventing impersonation of electors, so as to make the right of genuine electors to vote under section 62 of that Act more effective, provisions may be made by rules under that Act for use of Elector's Photo Identity Card for electors as the means of establishing their identity at the time of polling; and
- 2. Whereas, rule 28 of the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960, empowers the Election Commission to direct, with a view to preventing impersonation of electors and facilitating their identification at the time of poll, the issue of Elector's Photo Identity Card to electors bearing their photographs at State cost; and
- 3. Whereas, rules 49H(3) and 49K(2) (b) of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, stipulate that where the electors of a constituency have been supplied with Elector's Photo Identity Card under the said provisions of rule 28 of the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960, the electors shall produce their Elector's Photo Identity Card at the polling station and failure or refusal on their part to produce those Elector's Photo Identity Card may result in the denial of permission to vote; and
- 4. Whereas, a combined and harmonious reading of the aforesaid provisions of the said Act and the rules, makes it clear that although the right to vote arises by the existence of the name in the electoral roll, it is also dependent upon the use of the Elector's Photo Identity Card, where provided by the Election Commission at State cost, as the means of establishing their identity at the time of polling and that both are to be used together; and
- 5. Whereas, the Election Commission made an Order on the 28th August, 1993, directing the issue of Elector's Photo Identity Card (EPIC) to all electors, according to a time bound programme; and
- 6. Whereas, Elector's Photo Identity Cards have been issued to all substantially large number of electors in the States; and
- 7. Now, therefore, after taking into account, all relevant factors and the legal and factual position, the Election Commission hereby directs that for current Bye-Elections from 46 Assembly Constituencies (as per Annexure-I) of 16 States and the Bye-Elections from 23-Samastipur (SC) Parliamentary Constituency in the State of Bihar & 45-Satara Parliamentary Constituency in the State of Maharashtra, which have been notified on 23-09-2019 and 27-09-2019, all electors who have been issued EPIC shall produce the EPIC for their identification at the polling station before casting their votes.

Those electors who are not able to produce the EPIC shall produce one of the following alternative photo identity documents for establishing their identity:—

- (i) Passport;
- (ii) Driving Licence;
- (iii) Service Identity Cards with photograph issued to employees by Central/State Government/PSUs/Public Limited Companies;
- (iv) Passbooks with photograph issued by Bank/Post Office;
- (v) PAN Card;
- (vi) Smart Card issued by RGI under NPR;
- (vii) MNREGA Job Card;
- (viii) Health Insurance Smart Card issued under the Scheme of Ministry of Labour;
 - (ix) Pension Document with photograph,
 - (x) Official Identity Cards issued to MPs/MLAs/MLCs
 - (xi) Aadhaar Card.
- 8. In the case of EPIC, clerical errors, spelling mistakes, *etc.*, should be ignored provided, the identity of the elector can be established by the EPIC. If, an elector produces an Elector's Photo Identity Card, which has been issued by the Electoral Registration Officer of another Assembly Constituency, such EPICs shall also be accepted for identification provided the name of that elector finds place in the electoral roll pertaining to the polling station where the elector has turned up for voting. If, it is not possible to establish the identity of the elector on account of mismatch of photograph, *etc.*, the elector shall have to produce one of the alternative photo documents mentioned in paragraph 7 above.
- 9. Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 7 above, overseas electors who are registered in the electoral rolls under section 20A of the Representation of the People Act, 1950, based on the particulars in their Passport, shall be identified on the basis of their original Passport only (and no other identity document) in the polling station.

(By order)

N.T. BHUTIA, Secretary.

ANNEXURE-I

S1.	Name of State	Number and Name of				
No.		Assembly Constituency				
(1)	(2)	(3)				
1	Arunachal Pradesh	56 - Khonsa (West) (ST)				
2	Assam	1 – Ratabari (SC)				
3	Assam	44 – Jania				
4	Assam	74 – Rangapara				
5	Assam	106 – Sonari				
6	Bihar	54 – Kishanganj				
7	Bihar	76 – Simri Bakhtiarpur				
8	Bihar	109 – Daraunda				
9	Bihar	158 - Nathnagar				
10	Bihar	163 – Belhar				
11	Chhattisgarh	87 – Chitrakot (ST)				
12	Gujarat	8 – Tharad				
13	Gujarat	20 – Kheralu				
14	Gujarat	50 – Amraiwadi				
15	Gujarat	122 – Lunawada				
16	Himachal Pradesh	18 – Dharamshala				
17	Himachal Pradesh	55 – Pachhad (SC)				
18	Madhya Pradesh	193 – Jhabua (ST)				
19	Meghalaya	26 – Shella (ST)				
20	Odisha	2 – Bijepur				
21	Puducherry	10 – Kamaraj Nagar				
22	Punjab	29 – Phagwara (SC)				
23	Punjab	39 – Mukerian				
24	Punjab	68 – Dakha				
25	Punjab	79 – Jalalabad				
26	Rajasthan	28 – Mandawa				
27	Rajasthan	110 – Khinwsar				
28	Sikkim	10 - Poklok-Kamrang				
29	Sikkim	24 – Martam-Rumtek (BL)				
30	Sikkim	27 – Gangtok (BL)				
31	Tamil Nadu	75 – Vikravandi				
32	Tamil Nadu	227 – Nanguneri				
33	Telangana	89 – Huzurnagar				
34	Uttar Pradesh	7 - Gangoh				
35	Uttar Pradesh	37 – Rampur				

(1)	(2)	(3)
36	Uttar Pradesh	77 – Iglas (SC)
37	Uttar Pradesh	175 - Lucknow Cantt.
38	Uttar Pradesh	212 - Govindnagar
39	Uttar Pradesh	237 – Manikpur
40	Uttar Pradesh	248 - Pratapgarh
41	Uttar Pradesh	269 – Zaidpur (SC)
42	Uttar Pradesh	280 – Jalalpur
43	Uttar Pradesh	282 – Balha (SC)
44	Uttar Pradesh	354 – Ghosi
45	Gujarat	16 - Radhanpur
46	Gujarat	32 – Bayad