

## **ANNEXURE-I**

### **EXTRACT OF SECTION 11 OF A.P. PANCHAYAT RAJ ACT, 1994**

**11. Preparation and publication of electoral roll for a Gram Panchayat:-** (1) The electoral roll for Gram Panchayat shall be prepared by the person authorised by the State Election Commissioner in such manner by reference to such qualifying date as may be prescribed and the electoral roll for the Gram Panchayat shall come into force immediately upon its publication in accordance with the rules made by the Government in this behalf. The electoral roll for the Gram Panchayat shall consist of such part of the electoral roll for the Assembly Constituency published under the Representation of the People Act, 1950 (Central Act 43 of 1950) as revised or amended under the said Act, upto the qualifying date, as relates to the village or any portion thereof.

Provided that any amendment, transposition or deletion of any entries in the electoral roll, or any inclusion of names in the electoral roll of the Assembly Constituencies concerned, made by the Electoral Registration Officer under Section 22 or Section 23, as the case may be, of the Representation of the People Act, 1950, up to the date of election notification, for any election held under this Act, shall be carried out in the electoral roll of the Gram Panchayat and any such names included shall be added to the part relating to the last ward.

Explanation:- Where in the case of any Assembly Constituency there is no distinct part of the electoral roll relating to the village, all persons whose names are entered in such roll under the registration area comprising the village and whose addresses as entered are situated in the village shall be entitled to be included in the electoral roll for the Gram Panchayat prepared for the purposes of this Act.

(2) The electoral roll for a Gram Panchayat –

- (a) shall be prepared and published in the prescribed manner by reference to the qualifying date –
  - (i) before each ordinary election; and
  - (ii) before each casual election to fill a casual vacancy in the office of the Sarpanch and Member of Gram Panchayat; and
- (b) shall be prepared and published, in any year, in the prescribed manner, by reference to the qualifying date, if so directed by the State Election Commission;

Provided that if the electoral roll is not prepared and published as aforesaid, the validity, or continued operation of the said electoral roll, shall not thereby be affected.

(3) The electoral roll published under sub-section (1) shall be the electoral roll for the Gram Panchayat and it shall remain in force till a fresh electoral roll for the Gram Panchayat is published under this section.

(4) The electoral roll for the Gram Panchayat shall be divided into as many parts as there are wards so that each part consists of the voters residing in the concerned ward and for this purpose the electoral roll may be rearranged if such rearrangement is found necessary.

(5) Every person whose name appears in that part of the electoral roll relating to a ward shall subject to the other provisions of this Act, be entitled to vote at any election which takes place in that ward while the electoral roll remains in force and no person, whose name does not appear in such part of the electoral roll, shall vote at any such election.

(6) No person shall vote at an election under this Act in more than one ward or more than once in the same ward and if he does so, all his votes shall be invalid.

Explanation: In this section, the expression "Assembly Constituency" shall mean a constituency provided by law for the purpose of elections to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly.

## **ANNEXURE-II**

### **THE ANDHRA PRADESH PANCHAYAT RAJ (PREPARATION AND PUBLICATION OF ELECTORAL ROLLS) RULES, 2000** **(G.O.Ms.No. 254, PR & RD (Elecs.) Dept., Date: 04.08.2000)**

#### **NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (i) sub-section (2) of Section 268, read with Section 11, sub-section (2) of Section 151 and sub-section (2) of Section 179, of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 (Act No.13 of 1994), and in supersession of the rules issued in G.O.Ms.No.879, PR, RD & R (Elecs.I) Dept., dtd. 3.12.1994, G.O.Ms.No. 898, PR, RD & R (Elecs.I) Dept., dtd. 10.12.1994, G.O.Ms.No.913, PR, RD & R (Elecs.I) Dept., dtd. 21.12.1994 and G.O.Ms.No.923, PR, RD & R (Elecs.I) Dept., dtd. 28.12.1994, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh, hereby, makes the following Rules relating to preparation and publication of electoral rolls under the said Act, for a Gram Panchayat, Mandal Praja Parishad and Zilla Praja Parishad, or any portion thereof.

#### **RULES**

**1. Short Title:-** These rules may be called the "Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj (Preparation and Publication of Electoral Rolls) Rules, 2000".

**2. Preparation of Gram Panchayat electoral roll:-** (1) The electoral roll of a Gram Panchayat, hereinafter referred to as "the electoral roll", shall be such part of the current electoral roll of the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly Constituency, prepared and published under the Representation of the People Act, 1950 (Central Act 43 of 1950), as relates to the village, which shall be prepared by the District Panchayat Officer, taking into account the various amendments issued to the said electoral roll of the Assembly Constituency, from time to time, as they relate to the village, up to the date of election notification.

(2) There shall be a separate electoral roll for each Gram Panchayat.

**3. Electoral roll for election to the office of Sarpanch:-** For the purpose of election of Member and Sarpanch of Gram Panchayat, the roll prepared under rule 2 shall be the electoral roll.

**4. Form and language of the roll:-** (1) The roll shall be prepared in the format specified by the State Election Commission, by order.

(2) The roll shall be prepared in such language or languages in which the roll of the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly Constituency, within which the Gram Panchayat is situated, is prepared.

**5. Publication of copies of rolls:** (1) As soon as the roll is prepared in accordance with these rules, the District Panchayat Officer shall, make arrangements to print or cyclostyle or write in manuscript as many copies of the roll as may be directed by the State Election Commission, from time to time. He shall publish the same for inspection by general public:

- (a) on the notice board kept in the office of the District Panchayat Officer.
- (b) on the notice board kept in the office of the Gram Panchayat; and
- (c) at three conspicuous places in the concerned village.

(2) The electoral roll published under sub-rule (1) shall indicate the ward division made under sub-section (4) of Section 11 or, as the case may be, under Section 12, of the

Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 (Act 13 of 1994), hereinafter in these rules referred to as "the Act".

(3) Upon such publication under this rule, the roll shall be the electoral roll of the Gram Panchayat and shall remain in force till a fresh electoral roll is prepared and published.

**6. Procedure for lodging claims and objections:-** All omissions of names in any part of the roll or objections to any entry in the roll, at any point of time after its publication under rule 5, shall be settled only after a suitable amendment to the relevant entry in the electoral roll of the Legislative Assembly Constituency, based on which the Gram Panchayat roll was prepared. Anybody wishing to prefer a claim for inclusion or deletion of any name in the roll or any objection in respect of any entry in the roll so published, shall submit a proper claim or objection under the provisions of the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960 made under the representation of the People Act, 1950 (Central Act 43 of 1950), to the Electoral Registration Officer of the concerned Legislative Assembly Constituency. Subject to the provisions of Section 11 of the Act, and based on the orders of the Electoral Registration Officer of the Assembly Constituency on such claims and objections, the District Panchayat Officer shall carry out consequential amendments in the Gram Panchayat electoral roll. In case of any clerical or printing error or both, or when the entries deviate from the particulars of the Assembly Electoral Roll, the District Panchayat Officer may cause such errors rectified, so as to bring it in conformity with the particulars of the Assembly Electoral roll concerned. However, the District Panchayat Officer shall not resort to suo motu revision of the rolls by way of deletions or additions or modifications.

**7. Electoral roll of a Mandal Praja Parishad:-** (1) For the purposes of preparation and publication of electoral roll for the election to the office of members of Mandal Praja Parishad the provisions of Sections 11 and 12 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 shall apply mutatis mutandis.

(2) The Electoral roll for the Gram Panchayat prepared and published under rule 2 shall be arranged Territorial Constituency-wise of the Mandal Praja Parishad by the Mandal Parishad Development Officer and it shall be divided into convenient parts which shall be numbered conveniently. The part of the electoral roll shall be arranged Gram Panchayat-wise in alphabetical order for each Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency for the purpose of conducting elections of Mandal Parishad Territorial Constituency.

(3) A copy of such electoral roll in respect of each Territorial Constituency of Mandal Praja Parishad shall be kept open for inspection in the office of the Mandal Praja Parishad concerned.

**8. Electoral roll of a Zilla Praja Parishad:-** (1) For the purposes of preparation and publication of electoral roll for the election of member of Zilla Praja Parishad, the provisions of Sections 11 and 12 shall apply mutatis mutandis.

(2) The electoral roll for the Gram Panchayat prepared and published under rule 2 shall be arranged for each Mandal which is a Territorial Constituency of the Zilla Praja Parishad by the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Praja Parishad concerned, and it shall be divided into convenient parts which shall be numbered conveniently. The part of the electoral roll shall be arranged Gram Panchayat-wise in alphabetical order for each Zilla Parishad Territorial Constituency, for the purpose of conducting elections of Zilla Parishad Territorial Constituency.

(3) A copy of such electoral roll in respect of each Territorial Constituency of Zilla Praja Parishad shall be kept open for inspection in the office of the Zilla Praja Parishad concerned.

**9. Transitional Provision:** Notwithstanding anything in these rules, the electoral rolls of Gram Panchayats prepared and finally published, with reference to 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2000 as the qualifying date, in pursuance of Notification No.738/SEC-B1/1999-2000, dtd.7<sup>th</sup> January, 2000 of the State Election Commission, shall continue to be in force, until fresh electoral rolls are prepared and published, subject to the condition that any additions or deletions made by the Electoral Registration Officer under the Representation of the People Act, 1950 (Central Act 43 of 1950) in the electoral roll of the Legislative Assembly Constituency, as relates to the concerned Gram Panchayat, between the date of the notification of the State Election Commission referred to above, and the date of Election notification, for any election held under this Act shall be added or deleted, as the case may be, in the electoral rolls already prepared as above. Any additions shall, however, be added to the last ward of the Gram Panchayat concerned.

**FORM-I**

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF ELECTORAL ROLL**

**(See Rule 5)**

Notice is, hereby, given that the electoral roll of the ..... Gram Panchayat in ..... Mandal has been prepared in accordance with the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj (Preparation and Publication of Electoral Rolls) Rules, 2000 by adopting the existing entries in the relevant part of the Electoral Roll for Legislative Assembly Constituency prepared under the Representation of the People Act, 1950. The same is kept open for inspection at my office and at the office of the Gram Panchayat.

Any person who wishes to lodge any claim for including his/her name in the roll or any objection to the inclusion of a name or any objection to the particulars of any entry in the said roll, shall first get such claim or objection settled with reference to the corresponding entry in the Electoral Roll of the Assembly Constituencies by lodging suitable claim or objection under the provisions of the Representation of the People Act, 1950 (Central Act 43 of 1950) and the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960 made thereunder, before the Electoral Registration Officer of the said Assembly Constituency.

All orders of inclusion, deletion or corrections issued on the basis of these claims and objections by the said Electoral Registration Officer till the date of the notification issued by the State Election Commissioner under sub-rule (1) of rule 4 of the Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj (Conduct of Elections) Rules, 2006, will be duly incorporated in the electoral Roll of the Gram Panchayat.

**District Panchayat Officer**  
.....**District**