GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY LOCAL ADMINISTRATION SECRETARIAT

G.O.Ms.No.42/LAS/2004

Puducherry, dated the 09.11.2004

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 65 of the Puducherry Municipalities Act, 1973, (Act No.9 of 1973) and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Puducherry Municipal Councils (Conduct of Election of Councillors) Rules, 1974, namely:-

<u>1. Short title and commencement</u>:- (1) These rules may be called the Puducherry Municipal Councils (Conduct of Election of Councillors) Amendment Rules, 2004.

(2) They shall come into force on and from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

<u>2.</u> Insertion of new rules 17A, 17B and 17C:- In the Puducherry Municipal Councils (Conduct of Election of Councillors) Rules, 1974 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), after rule 17, the following rules shall be inserted, namely:-

<u>"17A. Notification by the Election Commission on party based elections</u>:- For the purpose of these rules, the Election Commission shall notify from time to time, the election which shall be held on party basis and shall print on the ballot paper, the names of the contesting candidates with their respective symbols.

<u>17B. Recognition of political parties</u>:- Every political party recognized by the Election Commission of India as a National party or as a State party in the Union Territory of Puducherry under the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968 shall be a recognized political party for the purpose of election under these rules.

<u>17C.</u> Publication of a list of recognized parties and their symbols:- For the purpose of these rules, the Election Commission shall publish by notification, a list of recognized political parties and the symbols reserved to each such recognized political party and a list of free symbols."

<u>3.</u> Amendment of rule 18:- In rule 18 of the said rules, the sentence, "These symbols shall be free symbols" occurring therein, shall be omitted.

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<u>4.</u> Amendment to Form-2: In form-2 appended to the said rules, in the entries against item (c) under the declaration of the candidate, the words "in respect of election to Chairman of Municipal Councils" shall be omitted.

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