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PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS ACT 1991

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS (COMMUNITY DECLARATION AND COMMUNITY CERTIFICATE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2023

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 81 of the Presidential Elections Act 1991, the Prime Minister makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations are the Presidential Elections (Community Declaration and Community Certificate) (Amendment) Regulations 2023 and, except for regulation 4(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*), come into operation on 13 June 2023.

(2) Regulation 4(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) is deemed to have come into operation on 31 December 2021.

Amendment of regulation 3

2. In the Presidential Elections (Community Declaration and Community Certificate) Regulations 2017 (G.N. No. S 264/2017) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations), in regulation 3 —

- (a) in the regulation heading, insert “, **etc.**” at the end;
- (b) renumber the regulation as paragraph (1) of that regulation;
and

(c) after paragraph (1), insert —

“(2) A community declaration may (but need not) be accompanied by a statutory declaration by the declarant setting out any further information that the declarant wishes to submit in support of the community declaration and any application for a community certificate.

(3) A statutory declaration under paragraph (2) must not be more than 2 printed A4 pages in length.”.

Replacement of regulation 6

3. In the principal Regulations, replace regulation 6 with —

“Certain declarants to be notified about whether declaration accepted

6.—(1) This regulation applies if, in an election other than a reserved election, a declarant states in his or her community declaration that he or she does not consider himself or herself to be a member of the Chinese community, the Malay community or the Indian or other minority communities.

(2) The Committee must, as soon as possible after deciding whether to accept the community declaration, notify the declarant of the Committee’s decision.

(3) Notice that the community declaration is accepted must be given in Form 2.”.

Amendment of Schedule

4. In the principal Regulations, in the Schedule —

(a) replace Form 1 with —

“FORM 1

Regulations 3(1) and 4

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COMMUNITY DECLARATION

PARTICULARS OF DECLARANT (as shown in NRIC)		
Name (in block letters)		NRIC No.
Place of birth	Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	Race
OTHER PARTICULARS OF DECLARANT		
Religion	Language(s) spoken	
Address (for correspondence)	Contact Number	Email address (for correspondence)
<p>In accordance with section 8F of the Presidential Elections Act 1991, I declare that —</p> <p>*(a) I consider myself to be a member of the Chinese community, and wish to apply for a community certificate stating that I belong to the Chinese community;</p> <p>*(b) I consider myself to be a member of the Malay community, and wish to apply for a community certificate stating that I belong to the Malay community;</p> <p>*(c) I consider myself to be a member of the Indian or other minority communities, and wish to apply for a community certificate stating that I belong to the Indian or other minority communities;</p> <p>*(d) I do not consider myself to be a member of the Chinese community, the Malay community, or the Indian or other minority communities.</p> <p>My declaration *is/is not accompanied by a statutory declaration setting out further information in support of my declaration *and application for a community certificate.</p>		
<p>.....</p> <p>Date</p>		<p>.....</p> <p>Signature of Declarant</p>
<p><i>*Delete whichever is inapplicable.</i></p> <p>Note: A community declaration may (but need not) be accompanied by a statutory declaration by the declarant setting out any further information that the declarant wishes to submit in support of the community declaration and any application for a community certificate. The statutory declaration must not be more than 2 printed A4 pages in length.</p>		

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- (b) in Forms 1, 2, 3 and 4, after “PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS ACT”, insert “1991”;
 - (c) in Forms 1, 2, 3 and 4, delete “(CHAPTER 240A)”;
 - (d) in Forms 1 and 4, after “Presidential Elections Act”, insert “1991”;
 - (e) in Form 2, in the Form reference, replace “6(2)” with “6(3)”; and
 - (f) in Form 4, replace “the Indian community/the other minority communities” with “the Indian or other minority communities”.

Made on 12 June 2023.

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