

PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT
(CHAPTER 218, SECTIONS 27C(9) AND 102)

PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS
(INDIAN AND OTHER MINORITY COMMUNITIES
COMMITTEE) REGULATIONS

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[16th June 1988]

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Parliamentary Elections (Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee) Regulations.

Definitions

1A. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —

“applicant” means a person who applies under section 27A(5) of the Act for a certificate that the person belongs to the Indian or other minority communities;

“Secretary” means the Secretary to the Committee appointed under regulation 7.

[S 236/2019 wef 01/04/2019]

Meetings of Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee

2.—(1) The Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee established under section 27C of the Act (referred to in these Regulations as the Committee) shall meet for the despatch of business at such times and places as the Chairperson of the Committee may from time to time appoint.

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(2) Unless any member of the Committee objects, the Committee may despatch business without meeting in person if the Chairperson of the Committee so directs.

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Quorum

3. At every meeting of the Committee, 3 members of the Committee shall form a quorum.

Chairperson to preside

4. The Chairperson of the Committee shall preside at meetings of the Committee.

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Person to preside in absence of Chairperson

5. Where the Chairperson of the Committee is absent at a meeting, such member as the members present may elect shall preside at that meeting.

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Committee to regulate conduct of meetings

6. The Committee may regulate the conduct of proceedings at its meetings as it thinks fit.

Secretary

7.—(1) The Chairperson of the Committee may appoint a public officer to be the Secretary to the Committee.

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(2) The Secretary may convey any decision, direction, request or information on behalf of the Committee, and may also perform such other duties as the Chairperson of the Committee may assign.

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(3) The office of the Secretary is to be at the Elections Department.

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Elections Department to supply information and assistance

8. The Elections Department shall, at the request of the Committee, supply the Committee with all such information, and provide the Committee with all such assistance as it requires for the purposes of the Act.

Application by person desiring to contest any election

9. Any person belonging to the Indian or other minority communities who desires to contest as such a person in any election in any group representation constituency designated under section 8A(1)(b)(ii) of the Act shall, at any time after the date of the notice of the writ referred to in section 25 of the Act and at least 2 clear days before the day of nomination, apply to the Committee for a certificate in Form A in the Schedule.

Application to be submitted 2 clear days before nomination day

10. Every applicant shall ensure that his application under regulation 9 is received by the Committee not later than 2 clear days before the day of nomination.

Fact-finding, etc.

10A.—(1) The Committee may, for the purposes of determining whether an applicant belongs to the Indian or other minority communities —

- (a) require the applicant to provide further information;
- (b) interview the applicant;
- (c) inform itself on any matter; and
- (d) consult any person.

(2) In determining whether an applicant belongs to the Indian or other minority communities, the Committee may take into account any refusal by the applicant to provide further information or to be interviewed.

[S 236/2019 wef 01/04/2019]

Committee to issue certificate one day before nomination

11. Upon receipt of any application under regulation 9, the Committee shall, if it considers that the applicant is a person belonging to the Indian or other minority communities, as soon as practicable and in any case not later than the day before the day of nomination, issue to the applicant a certificate in Form B in the Schedule certifying that to be the fact.

Committee to inform applicant if applicant does not belong to Indian or other minority communities

12. Where the Committee does not consider that an applicant is a person belonging to the Indian or other minority communities, it shall, as soon as practicable and in any case not later than the day before the day of nomination, inform the applicant accordingly.

Successful applicant to collect certificate

13. Upon determination of any application, the Committee shall as soon as practicable notify an applicant whose application for a certificate is successful of its decision and the applicant shall collect the certificate issued to the applicant not later than the day before the day of nomination.

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14. *[Deleted by S 236/2019 wef 01/04/2019]*

15. *[Deleted by S 236/2019 wef 01/04/2019]*

Secretary may supply forms

16. The Secretary may, at any time after the date of the notice of the writ referred to in section 25 of the Act, supply Form A in the Schedule to any person requiring it.

[S 236/2019 wef 01/04/2019]

Applications and correspondence with Committee

17. For the purposes of these Regulations, all applications to and correspondence with the Committee shall be addressed to the Chairperson of the Committee and sent to the Secretary.

[S 236/2019 wef 01/04/2019]

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THE SCHEDULE

FORM A

Regulations 9 and 16

PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT 1954

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN AND OTHER MINORITY COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

[S 441/2024 wef 31/12/2021]

| PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT (as shown in NRIC) | |
|---|----------|
| Name (in block letters) | NRIC No. |

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|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Place of birth | Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY) | Race |
| OTHER PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT | | |
| Religion | Language(s) spoken | |
| Address (for correspondence) | Contact Number | Email address (for correspondence) |
| ADDITIONAL INFORMATION | | |
| <i>An applicant may submit additional information to support the application. The additional information must be set out in a statutory declaration made by the applicant. The statutory declaration must not exceed 2 pages and must be submitted together with the application.</i> | | |
| <p>In accordance with section 27A(5) of the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954, I am applying to the Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee for a certificate certifying that I am a person belonging to the Indian or other minority communities.</p> <p>My application *is/is not accompanied by a statutory declaration containing additional information in support of my application.</p> | | |
| <p>.....</p> <p style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> Date Signature of Applicant </p> <p>.....</p> | | |
| <i>*Delete whichever is inapplicable.</i> | | |

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FORM B

Regulation 11

**PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT 1954
CERTIFICATE OF INDIAN AND OTHER MINORITY
COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE**

[S 441/2024 wef 31/12/2021]

To:

(Name of Applicant)

From:

Chairperson,
Indian and Other Minority Communities
Committee

In accordance with section 27A(6) of the Parliamentary Elections Act 1954, the Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee certifies, for the purposes of the election immediately following

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the issue of a writ on _____, that the abovenamed applicant is a person belonging to the Indian or other minority communities.

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Date

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For and on behalf of the
Indian and Other Minority
Communities Committee

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2. G. N. No. S 354/1991 — Parliamentary Elections (Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 1991

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3. 1990 Revised Edition — Parliamentary Elections (Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee) Regulations

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4. 2011 Revised Edition — Parliamentary Elections (Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee) Regulations

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5. G.N. No. S 236/2019 — Parliamentary Elections (Indian and Other Minority Communities Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2019

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