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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan,
Ashoka Road,
New Delhi-110001.

Dated the 23rd July, 1993

NOTIFICATION

No. 56/93(6)—WHEREAS, the Election Commission, by its order dated the 14th January, 1993, in dispute relating to the Janata Dal under paragraph 15 of Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968 had frozen the symbol 'Chakra (Wheel)' reserved for the Janata Dal as a recognised National party, and directed that none of the rival or splinter groups of the party will be entitled to use that symbol, nor will they be permitted to use the name of the party 'Janata Dal', until further orders;

AND WHEREAS, the Commission by its said order dated the 14th January, 1993 also directed that the two groups of the Janata Dal headed by S/Shri Ajit Singh and S.R. Bommai respectively shall be recognised as National parties, as a purely adhoc and interim arrangement and until further orders;

AND WHEREAS, the Commission by its further order dated the 17th January, 1993, as a purely adhoc and interim arrangement and until further orders; directed that -

- (i) the group of the Janata Dal headed by Shri Ajit Singh be called, and recognised as a National party, under the name 'Janata Dal (A)',
- (ii) the symbol 'Inkpot and Pen' be reserved for the said 'Janata Dal (A)',
- (iii) the group of the Janata Dal headed by Shri S.R. Bommai be called, and recognised as a National party, under the name 'Janata Dal (B)', and
- (iv) the symbol 'Cup and Saucer' be reserved for the said 'Janata Dal (B)';

AND WHEREAS, the Commission, by its further order dated 22nd July, 1993 has finally decided the said dispute and revoked the above referred interim orders dated 14.1.1993 and 17.1.1993, and has directed as follows:-

“(1) the group represented by Shri S.R.Bomma which was granted interim recognition as Janata Dal (B) is hereby recognised as the Janata Dal, which is a recognised National party;

(2) the said group recognised as Janata Dal will also be entitled to use the symbol ‘Chakra (Wheel)’ reserved for the Janata Dal, instead of the symbol ‘Cup and Saucer’ which was earlier reserved for them as an interim measure;

(3) the interim recognition granted to the group represented by Shri Ajit Singh as Janata Dal(A) is hereby withdrawn and the said group will no longer be entitled to use the symbol ‘Inkpot and Pen’ reserved for it as an interim measure.”;

NOW, THEREFORE, in pursuance of clauses(a) of sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 17 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968, the Election Commission hereby makes the following further amendments to its notification No. 56/92, dated the 7th January, 1993, published as O.N. 2(E) in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary Part II, Section 3 (iii), dated the 8th January, 1993, and as amended from time to time, namely:-

In Table I appended to the said notification, for existing entries at serial numbers 5, 5A and 5B, the following entries shall be substituted under columns 1,2,3 and 4 respectively:-

“5. Janata Dal Chakra(Wheel) 7, Jantar Mantar Road,
New Delhi-110001.”

2. For the removal of any doubt, it is hereby clarified that the group headed by Shri Ajit Singh is, as on date, neither a registered nor a recognised political party for the purposes of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 or the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968.

By Order,

(S.K. MENDIRATTA)
Secretary to the Election Commission
of India.