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NOTIFICATION

No. H. 12017/38/97-LJD, the 12th January, 1998. The following Central Ordinance is hereby published for general information.

Rolura Sailo,
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram.

MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE

(Legislative Department)

New Delhi 23rd December, 1997/Pausa 2, 1919 (Saka)

THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1997

No. 23 OF 1997

Promulgated by the President in the Forty-eight Year of the Republic of India.

An Ordinance further to amend the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

WHEREAS the House of the People has been dissolved and the Council of States is not in session and the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary for him to take immediate action;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of article 123 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Ordinance:—

Short title
and com-
mencement.

1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the Representation of the People (Amendment) Ordinance, 1997.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

Substitution
of new sec-
tion for sec-
tion 159 of
Act 43 of
1951.

2. For section 159 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

Staff of cer-
tain autho-
rities to be
made avai-
lable for
election
work.

“159. (1) The authorities specified in sub-section (2) shall, when so requested by a Regional Commissioner appointed under clause (4) of article 324 or the Chief Electoral Officer of the State, make available to any returning officer such staff as may be necessary for the performance of any duties in connection with an election.

(2) The following shall be authorities for the purposes of sub-section (1), namely:—

(i) every local authority;

(ii) every university established by a Central, Provincial or State Act;

(iii) any other institution, concern or undertaking (not being an institution, a concern or an undertaking established under a Central, Provincial or State Act or a company within the meaning of section 617 of the Companies Act, 1956) controlled, or financed wholly or substantially by funds provided, directly or indirectly, by the Central Government or a State Government. 1 of 1956.

K.R. NARAYANAN,
President.

RAGBIR SINGH,
Additional Secy. to the Govt. of India.