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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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NOTIFICATION

No.470/98/JUD-II. WHEREAS, rule 59A of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961 provides that where the Election Commission apprehends intimidation and victimisation of electors in any constituency and it is of the opinion that it is absolutely necessary that ballot papers taken out of all boxes used in that constituency should be mixed before counting, instead of being counted polling stationwise, it may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify such constituency;

2. AND WHEREAS, on such specification under the said rule 59A of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, the ballot papers of the specified constituency shall be counted by being mixed instead of being counted polling stationwise;

3. AND WHEREAS, the Election Commission has carefully considered the matter and has decided that in the light of the prevailing situation in the State of Mizoram and in the interests of free and fair election and also for safety and security of electors and with a view to preventing intimidation and victimisation of electors in that State, each of the Assembly Constituencies in the State of Mizoram may be specified under the said rule 59A for the purposes of counting of votes at the general election to the Legislative Assembly of that State now in progress;

4. NOW, THEREFORE, the Election Commission hereby specifies each of the Assembly Constituencies in the State of Mizoram as the constituencies to which the provisions of rule 59A of the conduct of Election Rules, 1961 shall apply for the purposes of counting of votes at the general election to the Legislative Assembly of Mizoram.

By order,

K. J. Rao,
Secretary,

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA.