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## ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001.

Dated: 30th June, 2000

9, Asadha, 1922(Saka)

## **NOTIFICATION**

No. 56/Review/SJP(R)2000/JS-III - WHEREAS, the Samajwadi Janata Party (Rashtriya) is a recognised State party in the Union Territory of Chandigarh, under the provisions of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968 (hereinafter referred to as Symbols Order); and

- 2. WHEREAS, by an amendment made by the Commission to the said Symbols Order, vide Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) (Amendment) Order. 1999, published in the Gazette of India on 8th June, 1999, the Union Territories which do not have a Legislative Assembly have been excluded from the purview of the definition of "State" for the purposes of the recognition of political parties as State parties under the Symbols Order; and
- 3. WHEREAS, a copy of the said amendment order of 1999 was circulated and the implications of the said amendment order were explained to the Samajwadi Janata Party (Rashtriya), and thus the party was put on notice in regard to the effect of the said amendment order, vide the Commission's letter No. 56/99/JS-III, dated 8th June, 1999; and
- 4. WHEREAS, by a saving provision in the said amendment order of 1999, in Clause (3) thereof, the recognition granted to a party in any such Union Territory prior to the said amendment order, was to continue only up to and till the completion of the general election to the 13th Lok Sabha: and

- 5. WHEREAS, the eneral election to the 13th Lok Sabha has been completed in October, 1999; and
- 6. WHEREAS, by virtue of the said amendment order of 1999, the said party cannot be recognised as a State party in the Union Territory of Chandigarh, after the said general election to the 13th Lok Sabha.
- 7. WHEREAS, the said party a ain was duly informed by the Commission vide its notice No. 56/Review/SJP(R)/2000/JS-III, dated 26th May, 2000 that the party shall no longer be treated as a State party in the Union Territory of Chandigarh in view of the amended provisions of the Symbols Order;
- 8. NOW, THEREFORE, the Samajwadi Janata Party (Rashtriya) shall no longer be treated as a recognis d State party in the Union Territory of Chandigarh, for the purposes of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allocanent) Order, 1968.

By order,

K.J. Rao Secretary.