

GOVERNMENT OF RAJASTHAN
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT & PANCHAYATI RAJ
(PANCHAYATI RAJ)

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 102 of the Rajasthan Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 (Act No. 13 of 1994) and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the State Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Rajasthan Panchayati Raj(Election) Rules, 1994, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) These rules may be called the Rajasthan Panchayati Raj (Election) (Amendment) Rules, 2014.

(2) They shall come into force on and from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Amendment of rule 40.- The existing sub-rule (1) of rule 40 of the Rajasthan Panchayati Raj (Election) Rules, 1994, hereinafter referred to as the said rules, shall be substituted by the following, namely :-

“(1) An elector shall on, receiving the ballot paper issued to him, forthwith proceed to one of the polling compartments, there make a mark on the face of the ballot paper with the instrument supplied for the purpose on the symbol or the name of the candidate or in the column against the name and symbol printed in the space earmarked for the candidate for whom he intends to vote or NOTA (none of the above) in case he wishes to exercise the option of not voting for any candidate in the fray and then fold the ballot paper thus marked so as to conceal his vote and put the ballot paper so folded into the ballot box which shall be placed within the view of the Returning Officer or the Polling Officer.”

3. Deletion of rule 43.- The existing rule 43 of the said rules shall be deleted.

4. Amendment of rule 50.- The existing clause (ii) of sub-rule (1) of rule 50 of the said rules, shall be substituted by the following, namely:-

“(ii) If it bears marking for more than one candidate or a candidate and NOTA (none of the above),”

5. Amendment of rule 52.- The existing clause (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 52 of the said rules, shall be substituted by the following, namely:-

“(c) prepare and certify a return in form VII setting forth therein:-

- (i) the names and addresses of the candidates who have been declared under sub-rule (2) of rule 29 to have been elected unopposed;
- (ii) the names and addresses of the candidates for whom valid votes have been cast;
- (iii) the number of valid votes cast for each candidate;
- (iv) the number of valid votes given to NOTA (none of the above);
- (v) the number of votes rejected as invalid; and
- (vi) the result of the lot, if any, drawn under rule 51.”

6. Amendment of rule 36A.- The existing clause (b) of sub-rule (3) of rule 36A of the said rules, shall be substituted by the following, namely :-

“(b) record his vote by pressing the button on the balloting unit against the name and symbol of the candidate for whom he intends to vote or NOTA (none of the above) in case he wishes to exercise the option of not voting for any of the candidate in the fray.”

7. Substitution of rule 39A.- The existing rule 39A of the said rules shall be substituted by the following, namely :-

“**39A. Form of ballot paper.-** (1) Every ballot paper shall be in such form as may be prescribed by the State Election Commission.

