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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan,
Ashoka Road,
New Delhi-110001

Dated the 1st August, 2018
10th Sravana, 1940 (Saka)

DIRECTION

No.576/3/EVM/ECI/LET/FUNC/JUD/SDR/Vol.I/2018. - Whereas, Section 61A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, provides that the giving and recording of votes by Voting Machines in such manner as may be prescribed, may be adopted in such constituency or constituencies as the Election Commission of India may, having regard to the circumstances of each case, specify; and

2. Whereas, as per the proviso to rule 49A of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, a Printer with a drop box of such design, as may be approved by the Election Commission of India, may also be attached to voting machine for printing a paper trail of the vote, in such constituency or constituencies or parts thereof as the Election Commission of India may direct; and
3. Whereas, the Commission has considered the circumstances in **51-South Tura (ST) Assembly Constituency in Meghalaya**, in which bye-election is currently in progress, and is satisfied that sufficient number of Electronic Voting Machines and Printers for Paper Trail are available for taking the poll in the above mentioned Assembly Constituency, the polling personnel are well trained in efficient handling of the Electronic Voting Machines and Printer for Paper Trail and the electors are also fully conversant with the operation of the Electronic Voting Machines and the said Printers;
4. Now, therefore, the Election Commission of India, in exercise of its powers under the said Section 61A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, and rule 49A of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, hereby specifies **51-South Tura (ST) Assembly Constituency in Meghalaya**, as the constituency in

which the votes at the current bye-election to the State Legislative Assembly of Meghalaya from the said constituency, notified on 30th July, 2018, shall be given and recorded by means of Electronic Voting Machines and Printers for Paper Trail in the manner prescribed, under the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, and the supplementary instructions issued by the Commission from time to time on the subject.

5. The Commission also hereby approves the design of the Electronic Voting Machine and the Printer with the drop box (VVPAT) as developed by the Bharat Electronics Ltd., Bangalore and Electronics Corporation of India Ltd., Hyderabad, which shall be attached to the said voting machines, to be used for the giving and recording of votes in the above said Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies.

By order,



N. T. BHUTIA,
SECRETARY
ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA.

T. LYNGWA,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Election Department and Additional Chief Electoral Officer,
Meghalaya.