

## NOTIFICATION

Panchayats, Rural Housing and Rural Development Department,  
Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.

Dated the 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2015.

**GUJARAT PANCHAYATS ACT, 1993.** No.KP/32 of 2015/ELC/102010/143(4)/G: - WHEREAS the Government of Gujarat is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action to make rules and to dispense with the previous publication thereof under the first proviso to sub-section (5) of section 274 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993 (Guj. 18 of 1993);

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 274 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993 (Guj. 18 of 1993), the Government of Gujarat hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Gujarat Taluka and District Panchayats Election (Manner of Allotment of Reserved Seats by Rotation) Rules, 1994, namely:-

1. These rules may be called the Gujarat Taluka and District Panchayats Election (Manner of Allotment of Reserved Seats by Rotation) (Amendment) Rules, 2015.
2. In the Gujarat Taluka and District Panchayats Election (Manner of Allotment of Reserved Seats by Rotation) Rules, 1994 (hereinafter referred to as "the said rules"), in rule 4, after the sub-rule (3), the following proviso shall be added, namely:-

"Provided that in case of allotment of reserved seats by rotation for the district panchayat, the State Election Commission, while allotting the seats in the taluka where more than one seat is to be allotted, shall allot the odd number of seats i.e.1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and so on to the woman belonging to the Scheduled Castes ensuring that such allotment does not exceed the total number of reserved seats determined as per the provisions of section 11 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993."

3. In the said rules, in rule 5, after the sub-rule (3), the following proviso shall be added, namely:-

"Provided that in case of allotment of reserved seats by rotation for the district panchayat, the State Election Commission, while allotting the seats in the taluka where more than one seat is to be allotted, shall allot the odd number of seats i.e. 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and so on to the woman belonging to the Scheduled Tribes ensuring that such allotment does not exceed the total number of reserved seats determined as per the provisions of section 11 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993."

4. In the said rules, after rule 6, the following proviso shall be added, namely:-

"Provided that in case of allotment of reserved seats by rotation for the district panchayat, the State Election Commission while allotting the seats in the taluka where more than one seat is to be allotted, shall after having allotted the seats reserved for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes under rules 4 and 5, allot the odd number of seats i.e. 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and so on to the woman belonging to the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes from amongst the electoral divisions falling in the taluka as per general serial number to which seats reserved for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes are not allotted under rule 4 and 5 ensuring that such allotment does not exceed the total number of reserved seats determined as per the provisions of section 11 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993."

5. In the said rules, to rule 7, the following proviso shall be inserted, namely:-

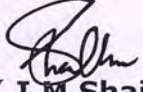
"Provided that in case of allotment of seats to others for the district panchayat, the State Election Commission, while allotting the seats in the taluka where more than one seat is to be allotted, shall, after having allotted the seats reserved for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes under rules 4, 5 and 6, allot the remaining odd number of seats i.e. 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and so on to the woman from amongst the electoral divisions falling in the taluka as per general serial number to which seats reserved for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and Socially and Educationally Backward Classes are not allotted under rule 4, 5 and 6 ensuring that in every Taluka the representation of the women remain

as nearly as may be one-half of the total number of seats including the women belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Socially and Educationally Backward Classes and also that such allotment does not exceed the number of total seats determined as per the provisions of section 11 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993.”.

6. In the said rules, after rule 7, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:-

“7A. For the purposes of rule 4, 5, 6 and 7, where any electoral division of a district panchayat consists of more than one taluka panchayat electoral division, such electoral division shall be treated as falling in the taluka whose taluka panchayat electoral division is having the highest number of population.”

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

  
( I.M. Shaikh )

Joint Secretary to Government.

To,

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The Development Commissioner, Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.

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