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NOTIFICATIONS BY HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, ETC.

TAMIL NADU STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, CHENNAI-600 026

[ELECTIONS—CASUAL ELECTIONS TO URBAN LOCAL BODIES—FEBRUARY 2007—SIVAGANGAI DISTRICT—CONTESTED CANDIDATES—ACCOUNT OF ELECTION EXPENSES—FAILURE TO LODGE— SHOW CAUSE NOTICES ISSUED—DISQUALIFICATION—ORDERED.]

(S.O. No. 1/2009/TNSEC/ME-II.)

READ:

- 1. S.O. No.59/2006/TNSEC/PE, dated the 4th September 2006.
- 2. S.O. No.60/2006/TNSEC/PE, dated 4th September 2006.
- 3. S.O. No. 150/2007/TNSEC/ME-I, dated the 9th January 2007.
- 4. From the District Election Officer/District Collector, Sivagangai District Lr.No. Rc. 60626/06/R3, dated 31st March 2008.
- 5. Show cause notice issued by the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission Rc.No. 5969/07/ME2, dated 20th May 2008.
- 6. From the District Election Officer/District Collector, Sivagangai District Lr.No. Rc. 60626/06/R3, dated 7th October 2008 and 19th December 2008.

No. VI(2)/61(a)/2009.

Whereas, in the Notification issued with the S.O. first and second read above, this Commission directed that all the contesting candidates in the elections listed therein shall lodge a true copy of their accounts of election expenses kept by them or by their respective election agent under sub-rule (1) of rule 116 of the Tamil Nadu Town Panchayats, Third Grade Municipalities, Municipalities and Corporations (Elections) Rules, 2006, in the format prescribed therefor with the officers mentioned therein, within thirty days from the date of declaration of the result of the elections;

2. Whereas, this Commission conducted Casual elections to the urban local bodies during February 2007 as notified in the S.O. third read above;

3. Whereas, the District Election Officer/District Collector, Sivagangai District, in his letter fourth read above reported that 5 candidates contested in the said Casual election for the office of Municipal Ward Member in Ward No.9 of Sivagangai Municipality failed to lodge copies of their account of election expenses as directed by this Commission;

4. Whereas, based on the report of the said District Election Officer/District Collector, Sivagangai, a show cause notice was issued in the reference fifth read above to each of the contested candidate, who failed to lodge a true copy of the account .of election expenses in the Casual election held during the month of February 2007, through the District Election Officer/District Collector, calling for explanation within 21 days of the receipt of the said notice, as to why action should not be taken against him as per sub-section (2-A) of section 49 of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920);

5. Whereas, the said District Election Officer/District Collector, Sivagangai in his letters sixth read above, has now reported that out of the said 5 contested candidates, one contested candidate lodged the account of election expenses and the remaining 4 contested candidates have neither submitted their explanations nor lodged the account of election expenses inspite of the show cause notices issued to them; and

6. Whereas, in view of the said report of the District Election Officer/District Collector, Sivagangai, the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission is satisfied that the four candidates specified in column (3) of the Table below against the contested election mentioned in the corresponding entry in column (2) thereof, have failed to lodge their account of election expenses as required by or under the said Act and Rules and have no good reason or justification for such failure.

7. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2-A) of section 49 of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920), the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission hereby declares that the candidates specified in column (3) of the Table below against the contested election mentioned in the corresponding entry in column (2) thereof, shall be disqualified, for being elected as a Councillor for a period of three years from the date of this Order.

THE TABLE

SIVAGANGAI DISTRICT

SI. Election Contested Name of the Candidate with address. No. (1) (2)(3) Thiru/Tmt./Selvi Sivagangai Municipality, V. Thilagam, 1 Sivagangai Municipal Councillor, 88(1), Neethipathi Rajasekaran Street, Ward No. 9 Sivagangai. 2 Sivagangai Municipality, R. Dinesh Kumar, Sivagangai Municipal Councillor, 6, Pudu Street. Ward No. 9 Sivagangai. 3 Sivagangai Municipality, V. Sudhakar, 165, Neethipathi Rajasekaran Street, Sivagangai Municipal Councillor, Ward No. 9 Sivagangai. Sivagangai Municipality. K. Ramachandran. 4 Sivagangai Municipal Councillor, 48, Mohan Komaramangalam Street, Ward No. 9 Sivagangai.

(By Order of the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission)

Chennai-600 026, 2nd February 2009. T.K. PONNUSAMY, Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Election Commission.