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Dated the 8/10/2021

From

Sri R.N. Sahu, I.A.S.
Secretary.

To

All Collectors.

**Sub: General Elections to PRIs, 2022 –
Appointment of Electoral Registration Officer.**

Madam/Sir

In inviting a reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to say that in pursuance to the provisions under Rule 2(d-1) of the Odisha Gram Panchayat Election Rules, 1965, State Election Commissioner, Odisha has been pleased to direct that the Collector of the District shall, while authorising other responsible officers to act as Electoral Registration Officers for the purpose of preparation of Electoral Roll for election to Gram Panchayats herself/himself continues to function as Electoral Registration Officer under the said Rules and as such is in overall charge of supervision regarding preparation and publication of the Electoral Roll.

2. Rule 6 of the Odisha Panchayat Samiti Election Rules, 1991 and Rule 5 of Odisha Zilla Parishad Election Rules, 1994 provide that the final Electoral Roll of every Grama prepared under Odisha Gram Panchayat Election Rules, 1965 shall form the final Electoral Roll of the Samiti Constituency and Zilla Parishad Constituency respectively.

3. The Commission is pleased to further direct that the Block Development Officer of the local Block shall ordinarily be authorised to act as Electoral Registration Officer. The local Tahsildar / Addl. Tahsildar of the area can also be authorised as Electoral Registration Officer as a measure of 'stand-by' arrangement so that she/he can step in and discharge the functions of the Electoral Registration Officer if the services of the Block Development Officer are not available due to unavoidable reasons.

4. While the various functions assigned to Electoral Registration Officer can be discharged by the Block Development Officer in the said capacity, there might be need for appointing more Officers as Electoral Registration Officers for the purpose of conducting enquiries and hearings in respect of claims and objections for addition, deletion and alteration etc. to the Electoral Roll during the period prescribed. The Commissioner is pleased to direct that the Collector may appoint such other officers as may consider appropriate and in such numbers as may consider expedient, as Electoral Registration Officers for the purpose of these functions under intimation to the Commission.

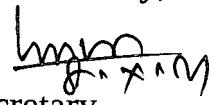
5. The name of Electoral Registration Officer along with their designation and contact number shall be communicated to the Commission by **25.10.2021**.

6. After the final Electoral Roll is published by the Block Development Officer as Electoral Registration Officer, the Ward-wise Electoral Roll for the entire District will have to be printed at the District level.

The Commissioner is pleased to direct that the work of printing of Electoral Roll in required numbers shall be done under the direct supervision of the Collector as Electoral Registration Officer.

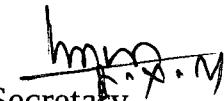
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Yours faithfully,


Secretary

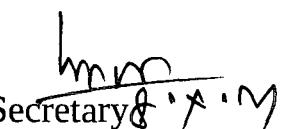
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Secretary

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Secretary