Phone : 0671-2508422 (Off.) 0671-2508622 (Off.)



## The Odisha State Var Council

(Statutory Body Constituted under the Advocates Act, 1961)
HIGH COURT ANNEX, CHANDINI CHOWK, CUTTACK - 753002

Ref. No. O. S. B. R. 100 - 987 20

Date 10:2.20

To

The President/Secretary All the Bar Associations State of Odisha.

Sub: Election of all affiliated Bar Associations of State of Odisha Scheduled to be held on 28.03.2020 for the year 2020-2021.

Sir,

I am directed to send herewith the Final Voter list along with the Guidelines for Election of all affiliated Bar Associations of the State of Odisha for the year 2020-2021. The election is to be conducted as per the Final Voter list issued by Odisha State Bar Council subject to the Guidelines, Instructions and programme enclosed herewith

Yours Sincerely,

(J. K. Samantasinghar)

Secretary

Encl: Final Voter List & Guidelines for Election.

N.B:- Visit our Website <u>www.odishabarcouncil.org</u> for details regarding Electoral Roll, Guidelines issued by Odisha State Bar Council.

## GUIDELINES, INSTRUCTIONS & PROGRAMME SCHEDULE FOR BAR ASSOCIATIONS ELECTION SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON 28.03.2020

As directed the instructions, guidelines and programme schedule are issued herewith for the ensuing Bar Association Election 2020-2021 scheduled to be held on 28.03.2020. President, Secretary, Election Officer & all members are requested to see that the Election is conducted in strict adherence to the guidelines issued by Odisha State Bar Council.

- 1. You are instructed to convene a General Body meeting of your Bar Association on or before 29.02.2020 in order to appoint one of the voters as Election Officer to conduct the election of its office bearers for the year 2020-21 from amongst its voters. You shall intimate the name, address and Mobile No. of the Election Officer to this office expeditiously so as to enable Orissa State bar Council for immediate, speed and prompt correspondence with Election Officer pertaining to election.
- 2. Having been appointed the Election Officer shall immediately take charge of all functions relating to election and you are directed to hand over the Final Voter list sent by Odisha State Bar Council to the Election Officer.
- 3. The Final voter list, sealed and signed by the authorised officers of Odisha State Bar Council sent herewith to the concerned Bar Association be displayed and affixed on the notice board of the concerned Bar Associations on the same day as it is received from Odisha State Bar Council.
- 4. The concerned Bar Associations are at liberty to disqualify a member from casting his vote even if he is included in the Final Voter List issued by the State Bar Council on the following grounds only .(a) If such member does not clear the dues of the

- association before the appointment of election officer. (b)The Bar Association may also disqualify a voter from the voting right if he is otherwise disqualified to vote due to in-house proceeding against him like suspension, removal & expulsion after giving notice regarding debarring him to cast vote. The voter lists provided by Odisha State Bar Council shall be the final voter lists without any addition.
- 5. Accordingly the concerned Bar Association is at liberty to furnish a list of advocates who are ineligible to cast their votes assigning the ground/reason thereto that either he/she is not a member of the Bar or has not cleared the membership dues before the appointment of Election Officer or suspended or expelled from Bar inspite of the fact that the name of such advocate finds place in Final Voter List sent by Odisha State Bar Council. The Election officer shall send a copy of such ineligible voters to the Council immediately.
- 6. The Election Officer on receipt of the Final Voters List sent by Odisha State Bar Council and the list of the persons who are not eligible to cast vote from the president/secretary shall notify the same on or before 03.03.2020.
- 7. The Nomination fee for each post shall be decided by the Bar Association. The said nomination fee shall be deposited in the Bar Association and the receipt shall be attached with the nomination form.
- 8. The Programme schedule sent by Odisha State Bar Council is to be implemented in letter and spirit without any deviation for smooth and fair conduct of election and the said programme schedule shall be notified on or before 04<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

- 9. Each voter shall submit Identity card issued by State Bar Council or by the respective Bar Association of which he is a voter. Except the above two Identity cards no other Identity card shall be accepted.
- 10. Further the Election officer is directed that on completion of the election and declaration of the result he shall send copy of result sheet to Odisha State Bar Council certifying that the election was conducted in terms of the direction and guidelines issued by the Odisha State Bar Council. The result sheet shall contain name, Enrolment No. and other details of the elected office bearer. Further the election officer shall send the true copy of the Final Voter List sent by Odisha State Bar Council bearing the signature of the voters who cast their votes.

Such Election officer appointed by General Body shall be at liberty to take the assistance from among the voter members of the concerned Bar to conduct the smooth election. Such assistance cannot be taken from anyone who is not a Voter of the concerned Bar Association.

11. The Election officer shall ensure that no candidate shall display any hoarding, flex, banner within the Court/Bar Association premises or polling station. The Election officer shall ensure that there shall be no canvassing inside the booth premises. Nobody shall be allowed to enter the polling booth with mobile, camera or any sort of electronic gadgets. For each post separate Ballot paper & Ballot box shall be used. Ballot paper issued to the voters shall not bear any mark, indication or serial number.

## **PROGRAMME** ·

I) Filing of Nomination (the profroma of the nomination papers shall be prescribed and shall be supplied by the Election Officer on payment of cost if any, as decided by the Election Officer) from 05.03.2020 to 06.03.2020.

(Timing shall be notified by the Election Officer)

- II) Scrutiny of the Nomination papers on 07.03.2020
  - The candidates, the proposers and secondars shall produce their Identity Card issued by the Odisha State Bar Council or Bar Association concerned before the Election Officer at the time of scrutiny. (Time to be fixed by the Election Officer).
- III) List of valid candidates for different posts shall be notified by the Election Officer on 12.03.2020.
- IV) Withdrawal of Candidature .-----13.03.2020.

  The Election Officer shall notify the final list of candidates to contest the election on 14.03.2020.

(In case the number of candidates are equal to the number of posts after scrutiny and withdrawal, such candidates shall be declared elected as uncontested) on 28.03.2020, when the result of election of all the posts will be declared by the Election Officer.

V) Date of Polling

---28.03.2020

Polling shall be by Secret Ballot for the posts for which there is contest: from 8A.M. to 2P.M.

VI) Counting of votes and declaration of results 3P.M. onwards on 28.03.2020.

The Election Officer shall notify the results and shall send a copy of a notification of result to the Secretary Odisha State Bar Council on the next date in terms of instruction made at para-10.

J. K. SAMANTASINGHAR)

SECRETARY

ODISHA STATE BAR COUNCIL HIGH COURT ANNEX CUTTACK-2