

ELECTION/GENERAL
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER,
KERALA

No-EL4/86/2026-ELEC
Election (General) Department
21-03-2026, Thiruvananthapuram

From
Chief Electoral Officer

To

The President
Aam Aadmi Party
1, Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla Lane,
(1 – Canning Lane)
New Delhi – 110001

The President
Bahujan Samaj Party,
4, Gurudwara Rakabgang Road,
New Delhi - 110001

The President
Bharathiya Janatha Party,
State Committee Office,
Mararji Bhavan, Thycaud
Thiruvananthapuram – 14.

The Secretary
Communist Party of India (Marxist),
State Committee, AKG Centre, Thiruvananthapuram.

The President
Indian National Congress,
Kerala Pradesh Congress Committee,
Indira Bhavan, Vellayambalam,
Thiruvananthapuram.

The President
National People's Party

Plot No.90A, Lachaumiere District,
East Khasi Hills District, Shillong

The Secretary
Communist Party of India,
MN Smarakom, PB No. 410,
Thycaud P O,
Thiruvnanthapuram-14.

The General Secretary
Indian Union Muslim League,
Kerala State Committee, League House,
Red Cross Road, Kozhikode – 32

The President
Janata Dal (Secular)
5, Safderjung lane
New Delhi - 110003

The President,
Kerala Congress
67, Kumaranassan Nagar,
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Kerala- 682 020

The Chairman
Kerala Congress (M)
State Committee Office, Near Fire Station,
Kottayam, (Kerala)-686001

The Secretary
Revolutionary Socialist Party,
State Committee Office, Plamoodu, Pattom P.O.
Thiruvananthapuram-14.

Sir,

Sub: Election Department- General Elections to the Legislative
Assembly of Kerala, 2026- Submission of Form A & Form B-
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Ref: Paragraph 13 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968, regarding the requirements for a candidate to be deemed as set up by a political party.

Kind attention is invited to the reference cited.

In connection with the requirements for a candidate to be deemed as set up by a political party, it is hereby clarified that a candidate shall be treated as officially set up by a political party only if all the conditions stipulated under the referred Order are strictly complied with.

In particular, the following points may be noted for strict adherence:

1. The candidate must make the prescribed declaration in the nomination paper indicating that he/she is set up by the political party and must be a member of that party, with his/her name borne on the party rolls.
2. The political party must submit a notice in writing in **Form B** to the Returning Officer concerned, not later than 3:00 PM on the last date for making nominations.
3. Form B must be signed by the President, Secretary, or any other office bearer duly authorized by the party.
4. The authorization in respect of the signatory (**Form A**), along with the name and specimen signature of the authorized person, must be communicated to the Returning Officer as well as the Chief Electoral Officer within the same prescribed time limit, i.e., not later than 3:00 PM on the last date for making nominations.
5. It is further clarified that Forms A and B must bear original signatures in ink. Facsimile signatures, rubber stamp signatures, or forms transmitted by fax/electronic means shall not be accepted under any circumstances.
6. Non-submission of Forms A and B in the prescribed manner and within the stipulated time will render the candidate liable to be treated as not set up by the political party concerned.

It is also reiterated that it is the sole responsibility of the political party or the candidate concerned to ensure submission of Form A to the Chief Electoral Officer and submission of both Forms A and B to the Returning Officer. The Chief Electoral Officer shall not be responsible

for forwarding Form A to the Returning Officer.

All political parties are, therefore, requested to ensure strict compliance with the above provisions to avoid any procedural deficiencies during the scrutiny of nominations.

Yours Faithfully,
DR RATHAN U KELKAR I A S
CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER & SECRETARY

Approved for Issue,

Section Officer.

Copy to, All District Election Officers/ Returning Officers.