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ASSAM STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

NOTIFICATION

The 7th March, 2022

No. SEC.17/2022/89.- Perused the application submitted by Liberal Democratic Party to the State Election Commission, Assam dated 10.02.2022 requesting to allot them the symbol "Safety Pin" for contesting in the upcoming elections to the Guwahati Municipal Corporation;

As per Letter No. 56/63/2015/PPS-I/278 dt. 21.01.2016 of Election Commission of India, Liberal Democratic Party is a registered, unrecognised political party;

As per Rule 23 of the Gauhati Municipal Corporation Election Rules, 1973:


"23.—(1) The State Election Commission shall specify, by notification in the official gazette, the symbols that may be chosen by candidates and the restriction to which their choice shall be subject..."

Further, as per para 12 (3) (a) of the Elections Symbols (Reservation & Allotment) Order, 1968 of ECI, as amended upto August, 2016:

"12 (3) Where the same free symbol has been chosen by several candidates at such election, then— (a) if of those several candidates, only one is a candidate set up by an unrecognised political party and all the rest are independent candidates, the returning officer shall allot that free symbol to the candidate set up by the unrecognised political party, and

to no one else; and, if, those several candidates, two or more are set up by different unrecognised political parties and the rest are independent candidates, the returning officer shall decide by lot to which of the two or more candidates set up by the different unrecognised political parties that free symbol shall be allotted, and allot that free symbol to the candidate on whom the lot falls, and to no one else: Provided that where of the two or more such candidates set up by such different unrecognised political parties, only one is, or was, immediately before such election, a sitting member of the House of the People, or, as the case may be, of the Legislative Assembly (irrespective of the fact as to whether he was allotted that free symbol or any other symbol at the previous election when he was chosen as such member), the returning officer shall allot that free symbol to that candidate, and to no one else;..."

Now, therefore, under the provisions of Rule 23 of the Gauhati Municipal Corporation Election, Rules, 1973 read with para 12(3)(a) of the Elections Symbols (Reservation & Allotment) Order, 1968 of ECI as provided above, the Liberal Democratic Party is allowed to be given preference for the symbol of "Safety Pin" as produced below, for contesting in the upcoming elections to the Guwahati Municipal Corporation.

Name of Political Party	Allotted symbol
Liberal Democratic Party	Preference should be given to allot the symbol "Safety Pin"  to the candidates set by the Liberal Democratic Party as per para 12 (3) (a) referred to above

ALOK KUMAR,
 State Election Commissioner, Assam,
 Dispur, Guwahati-6.