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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR
HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 27th January, 2022

No. UDD(M)21/2021/243.- Whereas certain draft rules further to amend the Election of Commissioners of Municipal Boards under the Assam Municipal Act, 1956, hereinafter referred to as the principal Rules were published vied Government Notification No.UDD (M) 21/2021/183 dated the 16th December, 2021, as required by sub-section (4) of section 301 of the Assam Municipal Act, 1956 (Assam Act No. XV of 1957) in the Assam Gazette, Extraordinary No.598 dated the 16th December, 2021, inviting objections or suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby before the expiry of a period of 2 (two) weeks from the date of publication of the Notification in the official Gazette;

And whereas, suggestion/objections received pursuant thereto have been duly considered and incorporated ;

Now , therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (i) of sub – section (2) of section 301 of the Assam Municipal Act , 1956 (Assam Act no. XV of 1957), the Governor of Assam is hereby pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Election of Commissioner of Municipal Boards under the Assam Municipal Act, 1956, in the manner hereinafter appearing, namely:-

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| Short title, extent and commencement | 1. | (1) These rules may be called the Rules for the Election of Commissioners of Municipal Boards (Amendment) Rules, 2021.
(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette. |
| Amendment of rule 1 | 2. | In the principal Rules, in rule (1), for sub-rule (1) , the following shall be substituted, namely:-
“These rules may be called the Assam Election of Commissioners of Municipal Boards Rules, 1956.”. |

Insertion of new rule 52A

“Voting machines at elections

3. In the principal Rules, after rule 52, the following new rule shall be inserted, namely:-

52A. Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, the giving and recording of votes by voting machines, may be adopted in such electoral ward or wards, as the State Election Commission may, having regard to the circumstances of each case, specify.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this rule, “voting machine” means any machine or apparatus whether operated electronically or otherwise used for giving or recording of votes and any reference to a ballot box or ballot paper made under these rules shall, save as otherwise provided, be construed as including a reference to such voting machine wherever such voting machine is used at any election.”.

Insertion of rule 88A to ZA

4. In the principal Rules, after rule 88, the following new rules shall be inserted, namely:-

“VOTING BY ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES

Application of these provisions and Design of Electronic Voting Machines

88A. (1) At elections where electronic voting machine shall be used for conduct of polls, it shall be as per following rules.

(2) Every electronic voting machine (hereinafter referred to as the voting machine) shall comprise of two units, a control unit and a balloting unit and shall be of such in design as may be approved by the State Election Commission.

Preparation of Voting Machine by the Magistrate

88B. (1) The Balloting Unit of the voting machine shall contain such particulars in Assamese language or such languages as the State Election Commission may specify.

(2) The names of the candidates shall be arranged on the Balloting Unit in the same order in which they appear in the list of the contesting candidates.

(3) If two or more candidates bear the same name, they shall be distinguished by the addition of their occupation or residence or in some other manner.

(4) Subject to the foregoing provisions of these rules, the Magistrate shall,-

(a) fix the label containing the names and symbols of the contesting candidates in the Balloting Unit and secure that unit with his or her seal and the seals of such of the contesting candidates or their election agents present as are desirous of affixing the same;

(b) set the number of contesting candidates and close the candidate set section in the control unit and secure it with his or her seal and the seals of such of the contesting candidates or their election agents present as are desirous of affixing the same.

- Arrangements at the Polling Stations** **88C.** (1) Outside each polling station there shall be displayed prominently, -
- (a) a notice specifying the polling area, the electors of which are entitled to vote at the polling station and, when the polling area has more than one polling station, the particulars of the electors so entitled; and
 - (b) a copy of the list of contesting candidates.
- (2) At each polling station there shall be set up one or more voting compartments in which the electors can record their votes free from observation.
- (3) The Magistrate shall provide at each polling station, one voting machine and copies of relevant part of the electoral roll and such other election material as may be necessary for taking the poll.
- Admission to Polling Station** **88D.** The provisions of rule 47 of these rules shall apply to regulate the entry of electors and other persons inside the polling station.
- Preparation of voting machine for poll** **88E.** (1) The Control Unit and Balloting Unit of every voting machine used at a polling station shall bear a label marked with,-
- (a) the serial number and the name of the ward;
 - (b) the serial number and the name of the polling station or stations as the case maybe;
 - (c) the serial number of the Balloting Unit and Control Unit, and;
 - (d) the date of poll.
- (2) Immediately before the commencement of the poll, the Presiding Officer shall demonstrate to the polling agents and other persons present that no vote has been already recorded in the voting machine and it bears the label referred to in sub-rule(4).
- (3) A paper seal shall be used for securing the control unit of the voting machine, and the Presiding Officer shall affix his or her own signature on the paper seal and obtain thereon the signature of such of the polling agents present as are desirous of affixing the same.
- (4) The Presiding Officer shall thereafter fix the paper seal so signed in the space meant thereof in the control unit of the voting machine and shall secure and seal the same.
- (5) The seal used for securing the control unit shall be fixed in such manner that after the unit has been sealed, it is not possible to press the “result button” without breaking the seal.
- (6) The control unit shall be closed and secured and placed in full view of the Presiding Officer and the polling agents and the balloting unit placed in the voting compartment.

- Marked copy of electoral roll** **88F.** Immediately before the commencement of the poll, the Presiding Officer shall also demonstrate to the polling agents and others present, that the marked copy of the electoral roll to be used during the poll does not contain any entry other than that made with regard to issue of postal ballot papers and election duty certificates.
- Facilities for women electors** **88G.** (1) Where polling station is for both men and women electors, the Presiding Officer may direct that they shall be admitted to the polling station alternately in separate batches.
(2) The Magistrate or the Presiding Officer may appoint a woman to serve as an attendant at any polling station to assist women electors and also to assist the Presiding Officer generally in taking the poll in respect of woman electors, and in particular, to help frisking any woman elector in case it becomes necessary.
- Identification of electors** **88H.** (1) The Presiding Officer may employ at the polling station such persons as he or she thinks fit to help in the identification of the electors or to assist him or her otherwise in taking the poll.
(2) As each elector enters the polling station, the Presiding Officer or the polling officer authorized by him or her in this behalf shall check the elector's name and other particulars with the relevant entry in the electoral roll and then call out the serial number, name and other particulars of the elector.
(3) Where the electors have been supplied with identity cards under the provisions of the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960 made under the Representation of People Act, 1950, (Central Act 43 of 1950) the elector shall produce his or her identity card before the Presiding Officer or the polling officer authorized by him or her in this behalf. Where such identity cards are not issued, each elector shall establish his or her identity by producing any such documents as are specified, by order, by the State Election Commission.
(4) In deciding the right of a person to cast his or her vote, the Presiding Officer or the polling officer, as the case may be, shall over-look merely clerical or printing errors in any entry in the electoral roll if he or she is satisfied that such person is identical with the elector to whom such entry relates.
- Facilities for public servants on election duty** **88I.** (1) The provisions of rule 88H shall not apply to any person, who produces at the polling station an election duty certificate issued by the Magistrate and seeks permission to cast his or her vote at that polling station although it is different from the one where he or she is entitled to vote.

- (2) On production of such certificate, the Presiding Officer shall, -
 - (a) obtain thereon, the signature of the person producing it;
 - (b) have the person's name and electoral roll number as mentioned in the certificate entered at the end of the marked copy of the electoral roll; and
 - (c) permit him or her to cast his or her vote in the same manner as for an elector entitled to vote at that polling station.

Challenging of Identity

- 88J.** Where the identity of an elector is challenged, the provisions of sub-rule (3) of rule 58 and rule 67 of these rules shall apply.

Safeguard against personation

- 88K.**
- (1) Every elector about whose identity the Presiding Officer or the polling officer, as the case maybe, is satisfied, shall allow his or her left forefinger to be inspected by the Presiding Officer or polling officer and an indelible ink mark to be put on it.
 - (2) If any elector, -
 - (a) refuses to allow his or her left forefinger to be inspected or marked in accordance with sub- rule (1), above or has already such a mark on his or her left forefinger or does any act with a view to removing the ink mark, or
 - (b) fails or refuses to produce his or her identity card as required by sub-rule (3) of rule 88 H he or she shall not be allowed to vote.
 - (3) Any reference in this rule to the left forefinger of an elector shall, in the case where the elector has his or her left forefinger missing, be construed as a reference to any other finger to his or her left hand, and shall, in the case where all the fingers of his or her left hand are missing, be construed as a reference to the forefinger or any other finger of his or her right hand, and in case where all of his or her fingers of both the hands are missing, be construed as a reference to such extremity of his or her left or right arm as he or she possesses.

Procedure for voting by voting machines

- 88L.**
- (1) Before permitting an elector to vote, the polling officer shall, -
 - (a) record the electoral roll number of the elector as entered in the marked copy of the electoral roll in a register of voters in Form XIX;
 - (b) obtain the signature or the thumb impression of an elector on the said register of voters;
 - (c) mark the name of the elector in the marked copy of the electoral roll to indicate that he or she has been allowed to vote;
 - (d) give details of the document produced by the elector in proof of his or her identification:

Provided that no elector shall be allowed to vote unless he or she has put his or her signature or thumb impression on the register of voters.

- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (1), it shall be necessary for any Presiding Officer or polling officer or any other officer to attest the thumb impression of the elector on the register of voters.

Maintenance of secrecy by electors

88M.

- (1) Every elector who has been permitted to vote under rule 88L shall maintain secrecy of voting within the polling station and for that purpose observe the voting procedure laid down in the following rules.
- (2) Immediately on being permitted to vote the elector shall proceed to the Presiding Officer or the polling officer in charge of the control unit of the voting machine who shall, by pressing the appropriate button on the control unit, activate the balloting unit, for recording of elector's vote.
- (3) The elector shall thereafter forthwith-
- (a) proceed to voting compartment;
 - (b) record his or her vote by pressing the button on the balloting unit against the name and symbol of the candidate for whom he or she intends to vote; and
 - (c) come out of the voting compartment and leave the polling station.
- (4) Every elector shall vote without undue delay.
- (5) No elector shall be allowed to enter the voting compartment when another elector is inside it.
- (6) If an elector who has been permitted to vote under 88L or 88P refuses after warning given by the Presiding Officer to observe the procedure laid down in sub-rule(3), the Presiding Officer or a polling officer under the direction of the Presiding Officer shall not allow such elector to vote.
- (7) Where an elector is not allowed to vote under sub-rule (6), a mark to the effect that voting procedure has been violated shall be made against the elector's name in the register of voters in Form XIX by the Presiding Officer under his or her signature.

Recording of votes of blind or infirm electors

88N.

- (1) If the Presiding Officer is satisfied that owing to blindness or other physical infirmities an elector is unable to read the names or recognize the symbols on the balloting unit of the voting machine or unable to record his or her vote by pressing the appropriate button thereon without assistance, the Presiding Officer shall permit the elector to take with him or her a companion of not less than eighteen years of age to the voting compartment for recording the vote on his or her behalf and in accordance with his or her wishes:

Provided that no person shall be permitted to act as the companion of more than one elector at any polling station on the same day:

Provided further that before any person is permitted to act as the companion of an elector on any day under this rule, that person shall be required to declare that he or she shall keep secret the vote recorded by him or her on behalf of the elector and that he or she has not already acted as the companion of any other elector at any other polling station on that day.

- (2) While acting under this rule the Presiding Officer shall observe as much secrecy as is feasible and shall keep a brief record of each of such instances in Form XIX as remarks.

**Elector deciding
not to vote** **88O.**

If an elector, after his or her electoral roll number has been duly entered in the register of voters in Form XIX and has put his or her signature or thumb impression thereon as required under sub-rule (1) of rule 88L, decides not to record his or her vote, a remark to this effect shall be made against the said entry in Form XIX by the Presiding Officer and the signature or thumb impression of the elector shall be obtained against such remark.

Tendered votes **88P.**

- (1) If a person representing himself or herself to be a particular elector seeks to vote after another person has already voted as such elector, he or she shall, on satisfactorily answering such questions relating to his or her identity as the Presiding Officer may ask, be instead of being allowed to vote through the balloting unit, supplied with a tendered ballot paper, which shall be of such design, and the particulars of which shall be in Assamese or such language or languages as the State Election Commission may specify.
- (2) Every such elector shall, before being supplied with tendered ballot paper, write his or her name against the entry relating to him or her in Form XIVA.
- (3) Every voter receiving the ballot paper shall forthwith,
 - (a) proceed to the voting compartment;
 - (b) record there his or her vote on the ballot paper by placing a cross mark 'X' with the instrument or article supplied for the purpose on or near the symbol of the candidate for whom he or she intends to vote;
 - (c) fold the ballot paper so as to conceal his or her vote;
 - (d) show to the Presiding Officer, if required, the distinguishing mark on the ballot paper;
 - (e) give it to the Presiding Officer who shall place it in a cover specially kept for the purpose; and
 - (f) leave the polling station.

- (4) If owing to blindness or physical infirmities, such elector is unable to record his or her vote without assistance, the Presiding Officer shall permit him or her to take with him or her a companion, subject to the same condition and following the same procedure as laid down in rule 88N for recording the vote in accordance with his or her wishes.
- Presiding Officer's entry in the voting compartment during poll** **88Q.** (1) The Presiding Officer may whenever he or she considers it necessary so to do, enter the voting compartment during poll and take such steps as may be necessary to ensure that the balloting unit is not tampered or interfered with in anyway.
- (2) If the Presiding Officer has reason to suspect that an elector who has entered the voting compartment is tampering or otherwise interfering with the balloting unit has remained inside the voting compartment for unduly long period, he or she shall enter the voting compartment and take such steps as may be necessary to ensure the smooth and orderly progress of the poll.
- (3) Whenever the Presiding Officer enters the voting compartment under this rule, he or she shall permit the polling agents present to accompany him or her if they so desire.
- Closing of the poll** **88R.** (1) The Presiding Officer shall close the polling station at the hour fixed in that behalf under rule 55 and shall not admit thereto any elector after that hour:
- Provided that all electors present at the Polling Station before it is closed shall be entitled to cast their votes.
- (2) Any question that may arise as to whether an elector shall, for the purpose of the proviso to sub-rule (1), be deemed to be present at the polling station before it is closed, shall be decided by the Presiding Officer whose decision shall be final.
- Account of votes recorded** **88S.** (1) The Presiding Officer shall at the close of the poll prepare an account of votes recorded in Form XVI-A and enclose it in a separate cover with the words "Account of Votes Recorded" super scribed thereon.
- (2) The Presiding Officer shall furnish to every polling agent present at the close of the poll a true copy of the entries made in Form XVI -A after obtaining receipt from the said polling agent there for and shall attest it as a true copy.
- Sealing of voting machine after poll** **88T.** (1) As soon as practicable after the closing of the poll, the Presiding Officer shall close the control unit to ensure that no further votes can be recorded and shall detach the balloting unit from the control unit;
- (2) The control unit and the balloting shall thereafter be sealed, and secured separately in such manner as the State Election

Commission may direct and the seal used for securing them shall be so affixed that it will not be possible to open the units without breaking the seals.

- (3) The Polling agents present at the polling station, who desire to affix their seals shall also be permitted to do so.

Sealing of other packets

- 88U.**
- (1) The Presiding Officer shall then make into separate packet,-
 - (a) the marked copy of the electoral roll;
 - (b) the register of voters in Form XIX;
 - (c) the cover containing the tendered ballot papers and the list in Form XIV-A;
 - (d) the list of challenged votes; and
 - (e) any other papers directed by the State Election Commission to be kept in a sealed packet.
 - (2) Each packet shall be sealed with the seal of the Presiding Officer and with the seal either of the candidate, or his or her election agent, or his or her polling agent, who may be present at the polling station and may desire to affix his or her seal thereon.

Transmission of voting machines, etc., to the Magistrate

- 88V.**
- (1) The Presiding Officer shall then deliver or cause to be delivered to the Magistrate at such place as the Magistrate may direct,
 - (a) the voting machine;
 - (b) the account of votes recorded in Form XVI -A;
 - (c) the sealed packets referred to in rule 88U; and
 - (d) all other papers used at the poll.
 - (2) The Magistrate shall make adequate arrangements for the safe transport of the voting machine, packets and other papers for their safe custody until the commencement of the counting of votes.

Procedure on adjournment of poll

- 88W.**
- (1) If the poll at any polling station is adjourned under rule 56, provision of rules 88S to 88V shall, as far as practicable, apply as if the poll was closed at the hour fixed in that behalf under rule 55.
 - (2) When an adjourned poll is recommended under rule 56, the electors who have already voted at the poll so adjourned shall not be allowed to vote again.
 - (3) The Magistrate shall provide the Presiding Officer of the polling station at which such adjourned poll is held, with the sealed packet containing the marked copy of the electoral roll, register of voters in Form XIX and a new voting machine.
 - (4) The Presiding Officer shall open the sealed packet in the presence of the polling agents present and use the marked copy of the electoral roll for marking the names of the electors who are allowed to vote at the adjourned poll.
 - (5) The provisions of rules 88A to 88V shall apply in relation to the conduct of an adjourned poll before it was so adjourned.

Closing of voting machines in case of booth capturing	88X.	Where the Presiding Officer is of opinion that booth capturing is taking place at a polling station or at a place fixed for the poll, he or she shall immediately close the control unit of voting machine to ensure that no further votes can be recorded and shall detach the balloting unit from the control unit.
Counting of votes where electronic voting machines have been used	88Y.	In relation to the counting of votes at a polling station where voting machine has been used, the provisions of rules 76 and 77 shall mutatis mutandis apply, along with rules 88YA, 88YB and 88YC.
Scrutiny and inspection of voting machines	88YA.	<p>(1) Before the votes recorded in any control unit of voting machine are counted under sub-rule (1), the candidate or his or her election agent or his or her counting agent present at the counting table shall be allowed to inspect the paper seal and such other vital seals as might have been affixed on the unit and to satisfy themselves that the seals are intact.</p> <p>(2) The Magistrate shall satisfy himself or herself that none of the voting machines has in fact been tampered with.</p> <p>(3) If the Magistrate is satisfied that any voting machine has in fact been tampered with, he or she shall not count the votes recorded in that machine and shall report the matter to the State Election Commission.</p>
Counting of votes	88YB.	<p>(1) After the Magistrate is satisfied that a voting machine has in fact not been tampered with, he or she shall have the votes recorded there in counted by pressing the appropriate button marked "Result" provided in the control unit whereby the total votes polled and votes polled by each candidate shall be displayed in respect of each such candidate on the display panel provided for the purpose in the unit.</p> <p>(2) As the votes polled by each candidate are displayed on the control unit, the Magistrates shall have:</p> <p>(a) number of such votes recorded separately in respect of each candidate in Form XVII-A;</p> <p>(b) Form XVII-A completed in other respects and signed by the counting supervisor and also by the candidates or their election agents or their counting agents present; and</p> <p>(c) corresponding entries made in a result sheet in Form XVIII-A, and the particulars so entered in the result sheet announced.</p>
Sealing of voting machines	88YC.	(1) After the result of voting recorded in control unit has been ascertained candidate-wise, and entered in Form XVII-A and Form XVIII-A, the Magistrate shall reseal the unit with his or her seal

and the seals of such of the candidates or their election agents present who may desire to affix their seals thereon so however that the result of voting recorded in the unit is not obliterated and the unit retains the memory of such result.

- (2) The control unit so sealed shall be kept in specially prepared boxes on which the Magistrate shall record the following particulars, namely:-
 - (a) the serial number and name of the ward;
 - (b) the particulars of the polling station where the control unit has been used;
 - (c) serial number of the control unit;
 - (d) date of poll; and
 - (e) date of counting.
- (3) The provisions of rules 83 to 88 shall, so far as may be, apply in relating to voting by voting machines and any reference in those rules to,-
 - (a) ballot paper shall be construed as including a reference to such voting machine;
 - (b) any rule shall be construed as a reference to the corresponding rule in this Chapter or, as the case may be, to rule 88YA, 88YB or 88YC.

Custody of voting machines and papers relating to election

- 88YD.**
- (1) All voting machines used at an election shall be kept in such custody as the Commissioner, State Election Commission, Assam may direct.
 - (2) The authority authorised for custody of the voting machines in (1) above shall keep in safe custody,-
 - (a) the packets of unused postal ballot papers with counter foils attached thereto;
 - (b) the packets of used postal ballot papers whether valid, tendered or rejected;
 - (c) the packets of counter foils of used postal ballot papers;
 - (d) the packets of the marked copy of the electoral roll or, as the case maybe;
 - (e) the packets containing register of voters in Form XIX, including voters' slip;
 - (f) the packets of the declarations by electors and the attestation of their signatures.

Applicability of Central Rules, statutory orders, etc.

- 88Z.**
- (1) Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions, wherever no specific provisions with respect to the use of electronic voting machines at elections is made, the corresponding provisions related to the chapter on "The Poll" in these rules shall mutatis mutandis apply in such cases.

- (2) Without prejudice to the foregoing provisions, wherever no specific provisions are made in these rules, the provisions of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961 made under the Representation of People Act, 1951 as amended from time to time and instructions, statutory orders and clarifications issued by the Election Commission of India shall mutatis mutandis apply for the cases under these rules.

Power of the State Election Commission to issue directions

88ZA. Subject to the other provisions of these rules, the State Election Commission may issue such directions as it may consider necessary to facilitate the proper use and operation of the voting machines and also as the occasion requires, to facilitate the holding of elections under these rules.”.

- Amendment of rule 98 5. In the principal Rules, in rule 98, in the heading, in sub-rule (1) and sub-rule (3), after the words “ballot papers” the words “or voting machine” shall be inserted.
- Amendment of rule 99 6. In the principal Rules, in rule 99, in sub-rule (1), in clauses (c), (d) and (f) and in sub-rule (3), after the words “ballot paper” wherever they occur, the words “or voting machine” shall be inserted.
- Insertion of new Forms 7. In the principal Rules,-
 (i) after Form No. XIV, the following new Form XIV-A shall be inserted, namely:-

**“ FORM-IV-A
 List of Tendered Votes
 [See rule 88P]**

Sl. No.	Name of elector	Sl. No. of elector in electoral roll	Sl. No. in Register of voters (For of persons who has already votes of elector

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- (ii) after Form No. XVI, the following new Form XVI-A shall be inserted, namely:-

“ FORM XVI-A
[See rule 88S and 88V]
ACCOUNT OF VOTES RECORDED

Election to the Municipality No. & Name of the Polling Station _____

Identification No. of Voting Control Unit ____

Identification No. of Voting Ballot Unit ____

Machine No. used at the Polling Station Balloting Unit:-

1. Total No. of electors assigned to the Polling Station
2. Total No. of voters as entered in the Register for Voters (Form XIX)
3. No. of voters deciding not to record votes under rule 88O
4. No. of voters not allowed to vote under Rule 88M.
5. Total No. of votes recorded as per the voting machine.
6. Whether the total No. of votes as shown against item 5 tallies with the Total No. of voters as shown against item 2 minus Nos. of voters deciding not to record votes as against item 3 minus No. of voters as against 4 (2-3-4) or any discrepancy noticed.
7. No. of voters to whom tendered ballot papers were issued under rule 88P.
8. No. of tendered ballot papers

(a) received for use		
(b) issued to electors		
(c) not used and Returned		

9. Account of paper seals

1. Serial number of paper seal Sl. No.

From To

2. Total number supplied.
3. Number of paper seals used.

4. Number of unused paper seals returned to Magistrate

(Deduct item 3 from item2)

5. Serial number of damaged paper seal, if any

Signature of Polling Agents.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Date

Place

Signature of Presiding Officer

Polling Station No. ”

(iii) after Form No. XVII, the following new Form XVII-A shall be inserted, namely:-

**“ FORM XVII-A
[See rule 88YB]
RESULT OF COUNTING**

SI No	Name of Candidate	No of Votes Recorded
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
ETC.		
NOTA		
Total		

Whether the total number of votes shown above tallies with the total number of votes shown against item 5 of Form XVI-A or any discrepancy noticed between the two totals

Signature of the Counting Supervisor

Place.....

Date.....

Name of candidate/election agent/ counting agent

Full signature 1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

Place_____

Signature of Magistrate.

Date_____

”

(iv) after Form No. XVIII, the following new Form XVIII-A and Form XIX shall be inserted, namely:-

**“ Form XVIII-A
[See rule 88YB]
FINAL RESULT SHEET**

Election to the _____ Municipality

Total no. of electors _____

Sl No. of Polling Station	No. of valid votes cast in favour of						Total valid votes	No. of rejected votes	Total No. oftendered votes
	A	B	C	D	E	NOTA			
(1)									
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									
Postal Ballot votes									

TOTAL No. of votes recorded at Polling Stations.

No. of votes recorded on postal ballot papers. (To

be filled in the case of election from a ward)

TOTAL votes polled.

Place.....

Date.....

Magistrate

.....

FORM NO. XIX
(See rule 88L, 88N, 88O and 88YD)

Election to the _____ Municipality

No. & Name of the Polling Station _____

Part No. of Electoral Roll _____

Sl No	Sl No of elector in the electoral roll	Signature/Thumb impression of the elector	Remarks
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
etc.			

Date

Signature of the Presiding Officer

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KAVITHA PADMANABHAN,
Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Assam,
Department of Housing & Urban Affairs.