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NOTIFICATION

The 21st December, 2018

No. TAD/BC/507/2017/30.- Whereas, the first sitting of the present elected General Council of the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council was held on 23.12.2013, and

Whereas, as per Section 7(1) of the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Act, 1995, the term of the General Council shall be five years from the date of the first meeting as appointed by the Government after election of the members thereby meaning that the term of the present elected General Council was expire on 23.12.2018, and

Whereas the State Government has already entrusted the State Election Commission, Assam to supervise, direct and conduct the election of constituencies of the General Council of the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council vide Notification No.TAD/BC/160/2007/Pt./57, Dtd-3-01-2013, and

Whereas Hon'ble Gauhati High Court vide their order dated 9th October, 2018 in case No.LA (Civil) 3439/2018 has directed the State Election Commission and also the State Government to complete the process of Panchayat Election by 15th January, 2019. Accordingly, the State Election Commission, held a discussion with concerned Govt. Departments viz. Panchayat & Rural Development Department, Home Department, ADGP (Law & Order) and decided to complete the process of Panchayat Election by 15th December, 2018 considering the fact that the examinations of the Secondary School and also colleges are to be held within the Month of December, 2018.

Whereas, due to above stated situation, the process of Election to the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council could not be completed in time by the State Election Commission, Assam as informed vide their letter No. SEC.40/2017/36, Dtd-26-10-2018 stating that the Panchayat Election and the Council Election cannot be held simultaneously as the constituencies of PRIs and the Autonomous Councils overlap.

Whereas, Section 7(3) of the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Councils Act, 1995 provides that "Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), the Governor may, if he is satisfied that circumstances so exist which render the handing of the election, as provide, impracticable, extend the term for a period not exceeding one year".

Therefore, in exercise of the power conferred under Section 7(3) of the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council Act, 1995, the Governor of Assam is pleased to extend the term of the office of the General Council of Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council till it is practically possible to hold the election for the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council or for a period not exceeding one year, whichever is less.

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