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## Part V—Section 4

## Notifications by the Election Commission of India

## NOTIFICATIONS BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

ELECTION SYMBOLS (RESERVATION AND ALLOTMENT) ORDER, 1968.

## No. SRO G-23/2008.

The following Notification of the Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110 001, dated the 9th November, 2008 [18 Kartiga, 1930 (Saka)], is republished:—

No. 56/2008/PPS(i).—In pursuance of its Order No. 56/2008/PPS, dated 8th November, 2008, the Election Commission of India, under the provisions of para 17 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968, hereby makes the following amendment to its Notification No. 56/2008/PPS, dated 17th October, 2008, namely:—

In Table IV (List of free Symbols), appended to the said Notification after the existing entry at SI.No.59, the following entry shall be added:----

"60-Axe" (only in the State of Madhya Pradesh for current general election to the Legislative Assembly).

It is further hereby declared that aforesaid amendment shall be deemed to have been made from 31-10-2008, i.e., the date from which the general election to the Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly was called by the Governor of Madhya Pradesh under Section 15(2) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951. It is further made clear that the said inclusion of the Symbol 'Axe' in the list of free symbol shall be applicable only in relation to the general election to the Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly, currently in progress, and not in any other State/UT.

Further more, it is hereby directed that if any other candidate of a registered unrecognised political party or independent candidate in the current general election to the Legislative Assembly of Madhya Pradesh wishes to opt for the allotment of symbol 'Axe', he shall be allowed to exercise the option by 3.00 p.m. on 10th November, 2008, i.e., before the time for allotment of symbol after the expiry of period prescribed for the withdrawal of candidature, the allotment of symbol then be made by the Returning Officer of the Assembly Constituency having regard to the options so exercised, if any, by the aforesaid candidates and in accordance with the provisions of Para 12 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968.

(By Order)

R.K. SRIVASTAVA, Secretary to the Election Commission of India.

NARESH GUPTA,

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