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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No.76/EE/GE/2014/PPEMS /21-22/23-56

Dated: 1st July 2015

To

The Chief Electoral Officer,
Manipur,
Imphal.

Sub: Restoration of recognition of National People's Party that had been suspended under para 16A of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order 1968.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the Commission's Order No. 76/EE/GE/2014/PPEMS, dated 1st July, 2015 restoring the recognition of Nation People's Party, which had been kept under suspension under para 16A of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order 1968, vide Commission's order dated 12th June 2015.

You are requested to kindly get it delivered to the Party. After delivery, an acknowledgement receipt from the party may also be sent to the Commission at the earliest.

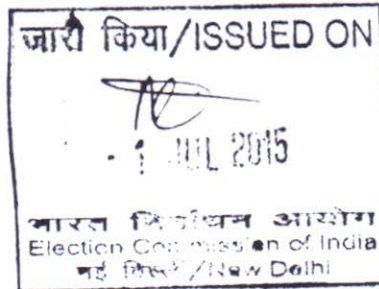
Yours faithfully,



(MALAY MALLICK)
UNDER SECRETARY

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2. Chief Electoral Officers of all States and UTs for information and record.
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ORDER

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Whereas, the National People's Party (hereinafter addressed as 'the party') was a recognized state party of Meghalaya; and

Whereas, the Commission has, in pursuance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's judgement in the case of Common Cause Vs Union of India and others (AIR-1996 SC 3081), issued instructions to all political parties from time to time, the latest being the Instruction No.76/EE/2012-PPEMS dated 21st January, 2013, to file their election expenditure statement within 75 days of assembly general elections and 90 days of Lok Sabha general elections; and

Whereas, the party, then a recognized state party, had failed to submit its election expenditure statement for Lok Sabha election 2014 to the Commission in compliance with the Commission's above mentioned lawful direction, despite the Commission's reminders, notice and subsequent further opportunities with extended deadlines; and

Whereas, in pursuance of the provisions of para 16A of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order 1968, the recognition of the Party which was then a state party in Meghalaya, had been suspended with immediate effect vide its order of even number dated 12th June 2015 until further orders and the party had been directed to showcause within three weeks of the receipt of the said order as to why the said recognition should not be withdrawn for failure to follow lawful directions and instructions of the Commission; and

Whereas, the Party submitted its election expenditure statement for Lok Sabha election 2014 on 19th June 2015; and

Whereas, the party, while submitting the statement vide letter dated 19th June 2015, has explained that since the party had not paid or incurred any expenses on any of the party

candidates for Parliament Election 2014 and the candidates had complied with mandatory requirements of filing the accounts with state election officers, the party did not file any separate return for expenses incurred as the amount was nil; and

Whereas, the party further assured full compliance in future regarding submission of necessary information in time;

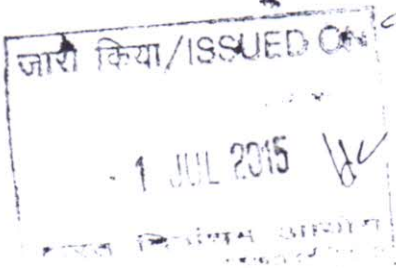
Now, therefore, the Commission after considering the facts and circumstances, and taking note of the assurance given by the party, hereby restores the recognition of National Peoples Party under the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order 1968, with immediate effect.

By order,



(S.K. Rudola)
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Election Commission of India
The President/General Secretary

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1-7-2015