

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No.100/GOA-LA/1/2026

Dated: 8th April, 2026

To

The Chief Electoral Officer,
Goa,
Panaji.

Subject: - Bye-election to the Goa Legislative Assembly, 2026 from
21-Ponda Assembly Constituency- Notification - regarding.

Sir,

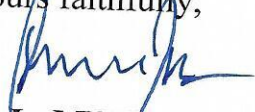
I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the Commission's Notification No.100/GOA-LA/1/2026, dated 8th April, 2026 rescinding its Notification No.100/GOA-LA/1/2026, dated 16th March, 2026 issued under Section (1) of Section 150, Sections 30 and 56 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

2. Kindly make necessary arrangements for its publication in an extraordinary issue of the State Government Gazette dated 8th April, 2026. Three copies of the gazette containing the said notification may be furnished to the Commission immediately after its publication.

3. you are further requested to take necessary action accordingly

4. Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,



(M. L. MEENA)

UNDER SECRETARY

TO BE PUBLISHED IN AN
EXTRAORDINARY ISSUE OF
GAZETTE OF GOA
IMMEDIATELY.

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

NIRVACHAN SADAN, ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI -110001

Dated: 08th April, 2026
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NOTIFICATION

No.100/GOA-LA/1/2026:- Whereas, The Commission had issued Notification No. 100/GOA-LA/1/2026, dated 16th March 2026, under sub-Section(1) of Section 150, Sections 30 and 56 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 (43 of 1951), calling upon the electors of 21-Ponda Assembly Constituency in the State of Goa to elect, before 6th May 2026, a person for the purpose of filling the vacancy arised due to death of Shri Ravi Naik on 15th October 2025; and

Whereas, the Commission had notified under Sections 30 and 56 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 (43 of 1951), the schedule of bye-election, appointing, *interalia*, 09th April 2026 as the date on which the poll was scheduled to be taken; and

Whereas, the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay at Goa vide its order dated 08th April 2026, in W.P Nos. 235 of 2026, 237 of 2026 and Miscellaneous Civil Application No. 186 of 2026 in W.P 237 of 2026 , has declared the Commission's above said notification dated 16th March 2026 null and void.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the Order of the Hon'ble High Court, the Commission hereby rescinds the notification No. 100/GOA-LA/1/2026, dated 16th March 2026 and consequently, all actions and steps taken by the Returning Officer of the said 21-Ponda Assembly Constituency, District Election Officer and all other electoral authorities concerned in respect of the above bye election, are hereby declared as null and void.

By Order,



(AJAY KUMAR)
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY