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GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR  
SECRETARIAT : DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Imphal, the 14th March, 1996

No. 9/13/95-Dev(P).—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 105 of the Manipur Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 (No. 26 of 1994), the Governor of Manipur is pleased to make the following Rules, namely—

**THE MANIPUR DELIMITATION OF GRAM SABHAS RULES, 1996.**

1. Short title and commencement :— (1) These rules may be called the Manipur Delimitation of Gram Sabhas Rules, 1996.

(2) They shall come into force with effect from the date of their publication in the official Gazette.

2. Notification of proposed delimitation :—Whenever the delimitation of the Gram Sabhas established or to be established, as the case may be, is necessary, the State Government shall issue a notification, to be published in the official Gazette, giving the particulars of the proposed limits of the Gram Sabhas and inviting views, objections and representations, if any, from the persons affected thereby, within a period of 20 days of publication of the notification.

3. Constitution of the Manipur Gram Sabhas Delimitation Committee :

- (i) The Government shall constitute a Committee to be called the Manipur Gram Sabhas Delimitation Committee (to be referred hereinafter as the Committee) to consider the views, objections and representations of the persons as mentioned in rule 2 above and to make recommendations thereon to the Government within 6(six) weeks from the date of the publication of the notification under Rule 2.
- (ii) The Committee shall consist of 5(five) members, of whom not less than 2(two) shall be serving Class-I Officers of the Government of Manipur; and the remaining 3(three) shall be non-official members to be nominated by the Government. Out of the 3(three) nominated non-official members, the Government shall appoint any one of them as the Chairman of the Committee.
- (iii) The Committee shall be constituted on the same day on which the notification under rule 2 is published.

4. **Guidelines for the Committee :** While considering the views, objections and representations of the persons, as mentioned in rule 2, the Committee shall be as far as possible, take into accounts the following :

- (i) Geographical consiguity,
- (ii) Homogeneity,
- (iii) Feasibility of drawing a clear line of demarcation,
- (iv) Economic viability,
- (v) Communication facilities and convenience to the public ; and
- (vi) Any other factor which is considered relevant (for a just decision) by the Committee.

5. **Procedure for the Committee :**

- (i) The Committee shall determine and follow its own procedure.
- (ii) In case of absence of any one member of the Committee, the Committee may proceed with its work and the proceedings of the Committee shall not be invalid or called in question on the ground of such absence.
- (iii) The recommendations of the Committee shall be made by majority.

6. **Powers of the Committee :—** The Committee shall have the power to direct concerned sub-divisional officers and block development officers, as and when necessary, to render such assistance as the Committee may desire for the performance of its duties.

7. **Allowances for non-official members :—** A sitting allowance shall be paid to each non official member of the Committee at the rate of one hundred rupees per sitting and he/she shall also be entitled to such T.A. & D.A. as is admissible to Class-I Officer serving with the State Government of Manipur.

8. **Consideration of the recommendations of the Committee by the Government :—** The recommendations of the Committee shall not be binding upon the Government which may accept, modify or reject, either wholly or partly, all or any of the recommendations of the Committee, in its discretion, without giving any reason.

9. **Final notification of delimitation :—** After taking a decision on the recommendations of the Committee, the Government shall, by means of a notification in the official Gazette, finally notify the delimitation of the Gram Sabhas to be established under the Manipur Panchayati Raj Act, 1994.

10. **Minor changes :—** Notwithstanding anything contained in the above rules, the Government shall have the power and discretion to make such minor changes that may be necessary from time to time, in the size of any Gram Sabha already delimited without following the procedure prescribed in these rules.

11. **Interpretation :—** The decision of the Government shall be final in case of any doubt regarding interpretation or implementation of these rules.

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