

**GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DEPARTMENT OF PANCHAYAT
ITANAGAR
NOTIFICATION The 18th June, 2002**

No. PR-31/2001 .-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 104 of the Arunachal Pradesh Panchayat Raj Act, 1997, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh hereby makes the following rules,

Namely:-

1. These Rules may be called "The Arunachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj (Constitution of State Election Commission) Rules, 2002."
 - (i) It shall come into force on and from the date of their publication in the official Gazette :-
 - (ii) In these rules unless the context otherwise requires :-
 - (a) "Governor" means the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh.
 - (b) "Government" means the Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
 - (c) "State Election Commissioner" means the person appointed under Article 243-K of the Constitution of India.
2. "State Election Commissioner" shall be from amongst the persons who are holding or have held a post not Lower in rank than that of Secretary of the Government of Arunachal Pradesh having fair knowledge of the Acts, Rules, functions etc. of Panchayati Raj system, in force.
3.
 - (a) The term of the office of the State Election Commissioner shall be 5 (five) years or till attains of 65 years of age whichever is earlier.
 - (b) The State Election Commissioner may at any time by writing under his hand addressed to the Governor, resign his office.
 - (c) The State Election Commissioner shall not be removed from office except in the manner specified in the provisions of subsection {2} of section 104 of the Arunachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj Act, 1997. Transfer of serving officers appointed as State Election Commissioner will be deemed removal for the purpose of these rules.
4. The Commissioner shall be entitled to such salary as may be fixed by the State Government.

Provided that if a person who immediately before the date of assuming office in the State Election Commission was in receipt of a pension in respect of any previous service under the state or Government of India his salary in respect of service in the office of the State Election Commission shall be reduced by the amount of such pension.

Provided further, that if a serving officer is appointed as the State Election Commissioner, he shall continue to be governed by all the relevant service rules.
5. In all other matters like leave, medical attendance, travelling allowances etc, the Commission shall be entitled to the same benefits as are applicable/prescribed from time to time for the officers of the highest class of the State Civil Service under the Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
6.
 - (a) The State Government shall provided such officers and employees as necessary to the State Election Commission.
 - (b) The officers and other employees of the State Election Commission shall be entitled to draw pay & allowances as per with state government employees holding equivalent posts with status.
 - (c) In all other matters including disciplinary matters the officers and employees of the State Election Commission shall be governed by the rules as are applicable to persons holding equivalent posts under the State Government.