

**Government of Jammu and Kashmir**  
**Directorate of Rural Development Kashmir**

Subject:- De-reservation of PC-I Guewaith Khurd (ST) of Panchayat Halqa PH-09-  
Gurwaith "B" of Block Khansahib Budgam.

**Corrigendum to Notification NO: 02-DRDK of 2018**

**Dated: 10. 01. 2018**

Whereas, this office vide notice No:-1 dated: - 30.12.2017 issued draft proposal for reservation of SC/ST/Women Panch constituencies of erstwhile Kashmir Division for inviting objections / suggestions from general public.

Whereas, after examination of various objections / suggestions received by this office and after incorporation of relevant changes in the draft proposal, this office in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (a) of sub section 3 of section 4 of J&K Panchayati Raj Act 1989 amended from time to time and clause (a)(b)&(c) of Rule 4 of Panchayati Raj Rules 1996, reserved Panch seats for SC/ST Women & ST categories in each Panchayat Halqa of 12 Districts of erstwhile Kashmir Division vide Notification No:- 02 DRDK of 2018 dated: 10.01.2018 issued under endorsement No:- DRDK/Pyt/Res/Women/29957-30153 dated :- 10.01.2018.

Whereas, District Panchayat Officer Budgam vide letter No :- DPO/Election/ 2486-87 dated :- 15.10.2020 intimated that Panch Constituency – I – Guewaith Khurd of Panchayat Halqa PH-09- Gurwaith "B" has been reserved as ST, but no voter of said Panch constituency falls under ST category.

Whereas, this office vide letter No:- DRDK/Pyt/54146-48 Dated: 19.10.2020 informed District Panchayat Officer Budgam that notification No: 02 DRDK of 2018 Dated: 10.01.2018 has been issued after obtaining objections / suggestions from general public and concerned District Panchayat Officers / Block Development Officers . However, no objection regarding non-availability of ST voters in Panch constituency-I- Guewaith Khurd of Panchayat Halqa Gurwaith "B" was received from District Panchayat Officer Budgam or general public by this office except the instant communication.

Whereas, the District Panchayat Officer Budgam was therefore directed to re-verify the details of ST population in said Panchayat Halqa in light of census 2011 from concerned revenue authority and submit the report accordingly.

Whereas, District Panchayat Officer Budgam vide letter No:- DPO/Bud/2650 date: 31.10.2020 submitted a detailed report of Block Development Officer Khansahib, where-under it has been mentioned that before year 2017-18 , the Panchayat Gurwaith "B" of Block Khansahib consisted of six (06) wards and Ward No. 1 was reserved as ST as the same had some ST population. However, during delimitation process of 2017-18, the Panchayat Halqa Gurwaith "B" was divided into Seven (07) Wards and the entire ST population of erstwhile Ward No. 1 was shifted to Ward No. 2 after delimitation, leaving ward No. 1 with no ST population at all. However no change was made in the ST status and ward No. 1 continued to be ST reserved till date. It has been also verified from concerned Revenue authorities that the entire population of Ward No. 1 of Panchayat Halqa Gurwaith "B" is purely general with no ST voters at all.



Accordingly District Panchayat Officer Budgam recommended that the status of Ward No. 1 of Panchayat Halqa Gurwaith "B" be changed to general category.

Whereas, before considering de-reservation of PC-I - Guewaith Khurd of Panchayat Halqa PH-09 Gurwaith "B", this office vide public notice issued under endorsement No: DRDK/Pyt/Res/55326-32 Dated: 31.10.2020 invited objections from public of Panchayat Halqa PH-09-Gurwaith "B" in general and PC-I Guewaith Khurd in particular of Block Khansahib regarding de-reservation of PC-I - Guewaith Khurd of Panchayat Halqa PH-09 Gurwaith "B". The last date for filing such objections was fixed as 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 till 4 p.m. District Panchayat Officer Budgam and Block Development Officer Budgam were also directed to give wide publicity to said notice particularly in Panchayat Halqa PH-09 Gurwaith "B" and to forward the objections received in this behalf to this Office.

Whereas, District Panchayat Officer Budgam vide letter No: DPO/BUD/2668-69 Dated: 02.11.2020 reported that the public notice regarding de-reservation of PC-I - Guewaith Khurd of Panchayat Halqa PH-09 Gurwaith "B" has been displayed at prominent places of said Panchayat Halqa including the concerned Panch constituency but no objection by the inhabitants were received within the prescribed time period. District Panchayat Officer Budgam has accordingly recommended de-reservation of PC-I - Guewaith Khurd of Panchayat Halqa PH-09 Gurwaith "B". Further District Panchayat Officer Budgam submitted the population details of said Panch Constituency as under:-

| S.No | Name of Panchayat Halqa | No & Name of Panch Constituency | Population as per census 2011 | Total No. of voters | General | ST |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------|----|
| 1    | PH-09 Gurwaith "B"      | PC-I - Gurwaith Khurd           | 422                           | 175                 | 175     | -  |

Therefore, in view of above and in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (a) of sub section 3 of section 4 of J&K Panchayati Raj Act 1989 amended from time to time and clause (a)(b)&(c) of Rule 4 of Panchayati Raj Rules 1996, corrigendum to Notification No:- 02 DRDK of 2018 dated: 10.01.2018 issued under endorsement No:- DRDK/Pyt/Res/Women/29957-30153 dated :- 10.01.2018 is hereby issued as per enclosed annexure.

  
03.11.2020  
**Director**

Rural Development Department  
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Dated: 3-11-2020

No:-DRDK/Pyt/Res/55708-11

Copy to the:-

1. Chief Electoral Officer J&K Jammu for favour of information.
2. Secretary to Government Department of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj for information.
3. District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Budgam for inf.
4. District Panchayat Officer Budgam for information and necessary action.
5. General Manager Government Press Jammu for information, with the request to kindly issue necessary corrigendum as per enclosed Annexure.
6. I/c official website of DRDK for information and necessary action.

Annexure

Reservation of SC/ST/Women & ST for Panch Constituencies of District Budgam for Panchayat Election 2018

| District No. | Name of District | Block No | Name of Block | No& Name of Panchayat Halqa | No.& Name of Panch Constituency | Panch Reservation for SC/ST/Women & ST Where proportion of ST population is comparatively large. |
|--------------|------------------|----------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| BD-04        | Budgam           | B-07     | Khansahib     | PH-09 Gurwaith B            | PC-I Guewaith Khurd             | De-Reserved  |

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