



OFFICE OF THE  
**ELECTION AUTHORITY**  
UNDER PANCHAYATI RAJ ACT, 1989  
**(CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, JAMMU & KASHMIR)**  
2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR VIKAS BHAWAN, RAIL HEAD COMPLEX, JAMMU

**NOTIFICATION**

Whereas, in pursuance of Rule 7 of the J&K Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996, the Government had issued a Notification, in consultation with the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K), vide its SRO No.78 dated 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2011, calling upon the Panchayat Halqas in the State to elect Sarpanches and Panches on the dates to be appointed by Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K);

Whereas, in pursuance of Rule 8 of J&K Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996, the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) had issued a Notification under endorsement No.5311/CEO/PYT/Notification/2011/2523-33 on 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2011, notifying the dates for the 1<sup>st</sup> Phase of Election for Sarpanches and Panches in respect of Blocks Kupwara, Kangan, Budgam, Quimoh Main, Quimoh Partly, Udampur, Samba and Bishnah as per the schedule given below:-

- a) 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 as date of issue of Gazette Notification,
- b) 25<sup>th</sup> March 2011 last date for making Nominations,
- c) 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 date of Scrutiny of Nominations,
- d) 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 last date for withdrawal of candidate,
- e) 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2011 date of poll/counting wherever, necessary,

Whereas, the District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner), Jammu, vide his letter No.ENT/2011/1237 dated 14-04-2011 has informed that when the ballot papers were printed for 23-Panchayat Ratnal for Sarpanch Constituency; the symbol Railway Engine was printed for one of the contesting candidates namely Shri Kamal Singh instead of the symbol Sewing Machine which had been allotted to him by the Returning Officer;

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
21.04.11.

Whereas, as ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> per report of the Returning Officer 23-Ratnal Panchayat Halqa vide his No. Nil dated 13-04-2011, the symbol Railway Engine, the choice of Shri Kewal Singh one of the candidates who had earlier withdrawn from this contest was by mistake reflected against Shri Kamal Singh one of the contesting candidate due to oversight on account of the similarity in their names;

Whereas, the District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Jammu has requested the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) to defer the election of Panchayat Halqa-23 Ratnal of Block Bishnah;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 36 of the J&K Panchayati Raj Act, 1989 read with rule 3 of J&K Panchayat Raj Rules, 1996, the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) hereby rescinds its Notification issued under endorsement No.5311/CEO/PYT/Notification/2011/2523-33 dated 18-03-2011, in pursuance of Rule 8 of J&K Panchayati Raj Rules 1996 in so far as it relates to the conduct of election of Sarpanch for the Panchayat Halqa 23-Ratnal Sarpanch Constituency of Block Bishnah. Fresh notification for the conduct of election to the Sarpanch constituency shall be issued in due course.

*B. Sharma 21.04.11.*  
**(B.R. Sharma) IAS**  
**Election Authority**  
**Under Panchayati Raj Act, 1989**  
**(Chief Electoral Officer, J&K)**  
**Jammu**

No.5311/CEO/PYT/Notification/2011/ 5302-06 .

Dated: 21-04-2011

**Copy to the:-**

1. Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Rural Development Department, J&K, Jammu for information.
2. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu for information.
3. Director, Information & Publicity, J&K, Jammu with the request to publish the notification through electronic and print media.
4. District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner) Jammu for information and to circulate the said notification to the concerned Returning Officer.
5. Principal Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, J&K, Jammu for the kind information of Worthy Chief Secretary, J&K.