



ELECTION COMMISSION OF BHUTAN

(Ensuring Free, Fair & Democratic Elections & Referendums)



ECB/NOTIF-01/2022/5730

Dated: 1st of April 2022

NOTIFICATION

Re-Elections in Local Government *Demkhongs* where the highest number of votes secured were equal (Tied)

The Election Commission of Bhutan, in pursuance to Section 463 of the Election Act of the Kingdom of Bhutan 2008, hereby calls Re-Elections in the following 9 *Tshogpa Demkhongs*, where the results of the Third Local Government Elections with polls on 22nd December 2021, were Tied.

SN	Dzongkhag	Gewog	Chiwog	Candidates
1	Gasa	Khatoed	Mani	Dophu
				Kunzang Choden
		Lunana	Shang_Threlga_Wachey	Gyem Gyeltshen
				Phub Dorji
2	Punakha	Goenshari	Draagchhukha	Choki
				Tshering Zangmo
		Toedwang	Tamigdamchhu_Thangbji	Ugyen
				Chencho
3	Sarpang	Jigme Chhoeling	Khatoed	Krishna Bdr Gurung
				Tshewang
		Serzhong	Barshong	Dorji Layda
				Sangay Thinley
		Tareythang	Tashichhoeling	Ngawang Chozom
				Pema Chozom
4	Trongsa	Korphu	Korphu Toed	Dorji
				Kinley Tenzin
5	Wangdue Phodrang	Gase Tshowogm	Shingkhey Khatoed	Kencho Dema
				Pema Gyeltshen

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The specific arrangements for the conduct of Re-Elections are as follows:

- i. Nomination papers and procedures of the last poll shall be taken as valid with no further filing of papers by candidates to be required;
- ii. Only tied candidates will contest the polls; and
- iii. Concerned Dzongkhag Election Officers shall be appointed as Returning Officers to conduct the Re-Elections in their respective Dzongkhags

(A) Election Schedule

1. The Schedule of dates and time for the Re-Elections shall be as follows:

Date and Time	Remarks
1 st of April 2022	- Issuance of notification calling for Re-Elections
3 rd of April 2022	- Returning Officer to start sending Postal Ballots to registered postal voters
4 th of April 2022	- Commencement of election campaign by candidates
16 th of April 2022 (8.am)	- End of election campaign
17 th of April 2022	- Last date to receive Postal Ballot by Returning Officer
18 th of April 2022	- Poll Day and counting of Results
19 th of April 2022	- Declaration of Results & submission of the Results to the Druk Gyalpo - Start of Election Petition Period
22 nd of April 2022	- Issuance of the certificate of election
3 rd of May 2022	- End of Election Petition Period

(B) Electoral Roll

2. The Electoral Rolls issued Vide Notification ECB/NOTIF-01/2021/5357 dated November 10, 2021 for the Third Local Government Elections shall be used for this Re-Elections.

(C) Postal Ballots

3. The Postal voter list for this Re-Elections shall be based on Third Local Government Elections, 2021.
4. Those Postal Voters registered for Conventional Postal Ballot, PBFB and MVB, will have an option either to vote through conventional postal ballot or EVM in the respective polling station.

(D) Election Campaign Finance

5. The election campaign expense incurred for Third Local Government Election, 2021 will not form part of the election campaign expense for this Re-Elections.

(E) Indelible Ink

6. Indelible ink shall be used during the Re-Elections and marked from top of the nail to the bottom of the first joint of the RIGHT THUMB.

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7. An Elected Local Government functionary shall not participate directly or indirectly except to cast his /her ballot in the Re-Elections.

(G) Election Code of Conduct

8. The Election Code of Conduct for Re-Elections shall continue to be in force until the completion of the Election Period i.e. from 1st of April to 19th of April, 2022.

(H) All other terms and conditions related to campaign, code of conduct, roles and responsibilities of the officials on election duty and conduct of poll remain as notified vide Notification ECB/Notif-01/2021/5215 dated 27th of October 2021, for the conduct of the Third Local Government Elections, 2021 unless otherwise specified in this notification.

Issued on the 30th Day of the 1st Month of the Water Male Tiger Year corresponding to 1st of April 2022.

Offtg. Chief Election Commissioner