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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Local Self Government (DD) Department

NOTIFICATION

No: 144/DD2/2017/LSGD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019

As per Section 27 of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005, Government of India have issued detailed instructions to the State Government to establish the Office of the Ombudsman for redressal of Grievances and disposal of complaints relating to implementation of the MGNREGS.

As per G.O.(Ms) No.107/2017/LSGD dated 30-05-2017 and G.O. (Rt)No.3602/2017/LSGD dated 07.11.2017, Government had re-constituted the Selection Committee for preparing and recommending to Government, a ranked panel of persons found suitable for appointment as Ombudsman for MGNREGS in accordance with the instruction issued by Government of India.

The draft rank list prepared by the Selection Committee for consideration for appointment as Ombudsman under MGNREGS was published in the Kerala Gazette No.5 dated 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018 vide Notification No.144/DD2/2017/LSGD dated 14-03-2018 for receiving objections/suggestions from the public. In the meanwhile on a close scrutiny, it is revealed that the selection procedure adopted by the Selection Committee for preparing the draft rank list is not in accordance with the revised guidelines issued by Government of India as per letter No.J-11011/21/2008-NREGA(Pt.) dated 28.08.2017. In these circumstances the draft rank list prepared by the Selection Committee for consideration for appointment as Ombudsman under MGNREGS, and published in the Kerala Gazette No.5 dated 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018 vide Notification No.144/DD2/2017/LSGD dated 14-03-2018 is cancelled.

By order of the Governor,

K.GOPALAKRISHNA BHAT IAS

Secretary to Government

Approved for issue

Section Officer