



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Election Department – General Election to Lok Sabha, 2024 – Ex-gratia Compensation to the legal heirs of late Ashaletha P.T., Former Booth Level Officer, Polling Station No. 126, 093- Pala LAC - Sanctioned – Orders issued.

ELECTION (GENERAL) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.162/2025/ELEC Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 22-04-2025

Read 1 G.O.(Ms) No. 1/2019/Elec. Dated 20.04.2019.

2 G.O.(Ms) No. 1/2022/Elec. Dated 27.10.2022.

3 Letter No. 218/6/2022/EPS dated 09.03.2023 from Election Commission of India.

4 Press Note No. ECI/PN/23/2024 dated 16.03.2024 of the Election Commission of India.

5 Letter No. DCKTM/7960/2023-E1 dated 17.07.2024 and 06.03.2025 from District Election Officer, Kottayam.

6 Letter No. RDOPALA/1012/2023/E1(M3) dated 28.02.2025 from the Revenue Divisional Officer, Pala.

ORDER

1) As per the Government Order read as 1st and 2nd paper above Government ordered the payment of ex-gratia compensation as per the revised rates noted therein, to the families of polling personnel/ security personnel who die or sustain grievous injuries leading to permanent disability while on election duty. The Election Commission of India, as per letter read as 3rd paper above, stated that the applicable period of election duty would start from the date of the announcement of the elections and up to the declaration of results. It is also clarified in the instruction that a person is in election duty as soon as he/she leaves residence/ office to report for any election related duty including training and until the person reaches back residence/ Office after

performance of election related duty.

2) As per letters read as 5th paper above, the District Collector & District Election Officer, Kottayam reported that Ashalatha P.T., former Booth Level Officer of Polling Station No. 126, 093- Pala LAC met with an accident on 20.04.2024 while crossing the Pala - Erattupetta Road near Moonnani on her way back to home after distribution of Voter's Information Slips. It is also reported that she was shifted to Govt. General Hospital, Pala as soon as the accident occurred and then to Marsliva Hospital, Cherpungal for better treatment. While in treatment, she was passed away on 22.04.2024 at 12.10 am. Since the death was occurred during election duty, the District Election Officer, Kottayam recommended the case for eligible financial assistance to the legal heirs of the deceased person. As per letters read as 6th paper above, the Revenue Divisional Officer, Pala reported that late Ashaletha P.T. had distributed Voter Information Slip in households of ward No. 20 on 20.04.2024 and then on her way back to home after distribution of Voter Information Slips met with accident. The District Election Officer, Kottayam has certified that Ashaletha P.T., Booth Level Officer (Kalapurackal Thottiyil, Kannadiyurumbu, Pala P.O, Kottayam 686575) was died while on election related duty.

3) Government have examined the matter in detail and sanction is accorded for the release of an amount of Rs. 15 lakh (Rupees Fifteen lakh only) as ex-gratia compensation to the legal heirs of late Ashaletha P.T., former Booth Level Officer of Polling Station No. 126, 093- Pala LAC (Kalapurackal Thottiyil, Kannadiyurumbu, Pala P.O, Kottayam 686575) who died while performing election related duty in connection with General Election to Lok Sabha, 2024 on the basis of recommendation of the District Election Officer, Kottayam,

4) The District Collector & District Election Officer, Kottayam will make necessary arrangements to release the amount of compensation to the legal heirs of the deceased. The expenditure on this account will be met from the head of account '2015-00-105-99-34-OC' from the current year's budget.

(By order of the Governor)
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To:

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Sri. Arjun Sayanan, Kalappurackal Thottiyil (H), Kannadiyurumbu,
Pala P.O, Kottayam – 686575.

The District Collector & District Election Officer, Kottayaam.

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala,
Thiruvananthapuram.

The Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

The District Treasury Officer, Kottayam.

Election (Accounts) Department.

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Section Officer