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**PRESS RELEASE**

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No.COE-101/1/2021-ELEC-Media: The Hon'ble High Court of Manipur, in its Order dated 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2022 in PIL No.8 of 2022, has directed to undertake verification of dates of birth of all young voters in 33-Heirok Assembly Constituency who appear to be in the vicinity of the age of majority, i.e. 18 years by producing two separate documents of proof of date of birth at the polling station on the day of poll.

As per Court's order, the documents to be produced by such voters may be a passport, a birth certificate, a Class-10 certificate, an Adhaar Card, an Election Identity Card, or any other authenticated document certifying date of birth or age.

For verification of all such young people, separate verification counters shall be set up in all polling stations so that no inconvenience is caused to other voters who face no such issue, being of older age.

In due compliance of Hon'ble High Court's Order, the Election Commission of India has also instructed to ensure strict compliance of the Order of the High Court. The District Election Officer, Thoubal and Returning Officer, 33-Heirok Assembly Constituency have been instructed to take adequate necessary actions. All stakeholders including political parties, candidates, BLOs, polling officials have also been informed accordingly.

Sd/-

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**Chief Electoral Officer, Manipur**

Imphal, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2022

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