

Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Parliamentary Election Meetings) Rules

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1. These Rules may be cited as the Miscellaneous Offences (Public Order and Nuisance) (Parliamentary Election Meetings) Rules.

Application

2. These Rules shall apply to any assembly of 5 or more persons in any electoral division held between the day of nomination and the day before polling day (both days inclusive) and which is organised by a candidate nominated in accordance with the provisions of the Parliamentary Elections Act for election as a Member of Parliament or by his election agent (referred to in these Rules as an election meeting).

Prohibition of election meeting without permit

3.—(1) No person shall hold or assist in holding any election meeting in any public road, public place or place of public resort —

- (a) without a permit; or
- (b) in contravention of any condition of a permit specified in rule 5(1) or imposed under rule 5(2).

(2) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction —

- (a) in the case of an offence under paragraph (1)(a) — to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months or to both; or
- (b) in the case of an offence under paragraph (1)(b) — to a fine not exceeding \$2,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one month or to both.

Grant of permit

4.—(1) A permit to hold an election meeting may be granted by —

- (a) a Deputy Commissioner of Police;
- (b) the officer-in-charge of the Police Division in which the election meeting is intended to be held; or
- (c) the Police Liaison Officer (Elections).

(2) An application for a permit to hold an election meeting shall —

- (a) contain particulars of the date, time and place of the election meeting; and
- (b) be made in writing by the candidate or by his election agent not later than 2.30 p.m. on the day prior to that fixed for the election meeting or, if the election meeting is to be held on a Monday, not later than 2.30 p.m. on the Saturday immediately before that day.