

Notification  
Home Department  
Sachivalya, Gandhinagar.  
Dated the 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2017

Prisons  
Act,  
1894.

No GG/44/2017/JLM/402014/3642/J:- In exercise of the power conferred by clause (25) of section 59 of the Prisons Act, 1894 (IX of 1894), in its application to the State of Gujarat and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Government of Gujarat hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Gujarat Visitors of Prisons Rules, 1974, namely:-

1. These rules may be called the Gujarat Visitors of Prisons (Amendment) Rules, 2017.
2. In the Gujarat Visitors of Prisons Rules, 1974 (hereinafter referred to as 'the said rules'), in rule 4,-
  - (1) in sub-rule (1) after the words "Central Prison Baroda, the words "ten non-official visitor Central Prison, Lajpor (Surat), ten non-official visitor Central Prison, Rajkot" shall be inserted;
  - (2) in sub-rule (2), for the exiting clauses (iii) and (iv), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely:-
    - "(iii) The ten non-official visitors for Central Prison, Lajpore (Surat) shall be,-
      - (a) five members of the Gujarat Legislature;
      - (b) five persons to be nominated by the State Government of whom ordinarily not less than two may be female who are willing to serve as such visitors;
    - (iv) The ten non-official visitors for the Central Prison, Rajkot shall be,-
      - (a) the Mayor of the Municipal Corporation;
      - (b) four members of the Gujarat Legislature; and
      - (c) five persons to be nominated by the State Government, of whom ordinarily not less than two may be female who are willing to serve as such visitors;
    - (v) The six non -official visitors for each of the District Prison and Special Prison shall be,-
      - (a) three members of the Gujarat Legislature; and
      - (b) three persons to be nominated by the State Government of whom ordinarily not less than one may be female who is willing to serve as such visitor;
    - (vi) The four non-official visitors for each of the Headquarters Sub-Jail shall be,-
      - (a) two members of the Gujarat Legislature; and
      - (b) two persons to be nominated by the State Government of whom one at least may be a female who is willing to serve as such visitor;
    - (vii) The four non-official visitors for each of the Women Prison shall be,-
      - (a) two members of the Gujarat Legislature; and
      - (b) two persons to be nominated by the State Government of whom one at least may be a female who is willing to serve as such visitor;
    - (viii) The four non-official visitors for each of the Taluka Sub-Prison shall be,-
      - (a) two members of the Gujarat Legislature; and
      - (b) two persons to be nominated by the State Government of whom one at least may be a female who is willing to serve as such visitor."
3. In the said rules, in rule 5, in sub-rule (1),-
  - (1) For exiting clause (b), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-
    - "(b) persons referred to in sub-clause (c) of clause (i), sub-clause (c) of clause (ii), sub-clause (b) of clause (iii), sub-clause (b) of clause (iv), sub-clause (b) of clause

(v) and sub-clause (b) of clause (vi), sub-clause (b) of clause (vii) and sub-clause (b) of clause (viii) of sub-rule (2) of rule 4 shall be appointed from amongst the persons who, in the opinion of the State Government are interested in the administration of prison and are likely to take interest in the prisoners and their welfare both while they are in prison and after their release;"

- (2) For the existing clause (c), the following clause shall be substituted namely:-  
" (c) The appointment of members of the Gujarat Legislature shall be made co-terminus with their tenure as MLA, from amongst the members of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly representing Ahmedabad or as the case may be, the district in which the prison is situated."

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat



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Deputy Secretary to Government.

To,

- The Secretary to the Governor (**By letter**)
- The Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- P.S. to Hon'ble Minister of State (Home), Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- The DGP & IGP, Gujarat State, 'Police Bhavan', Gandhinagar.
- The Addl. DG & IG Prisons, Gujarat State, Ahmedabad.
- All District Magistrates.
- All Jail Superintendents, Central Jails/Spl.Jail/District Jails/Sub Jails of Gujarat State (**Through IG Prisons**)
- Principal, Jail Staff Training School, Ahmedabad.
- The Deputy Secretary, Legislative & Parliamentary Affairs Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.

With a request to translate this notification in to Gujarati and arrange to publish in the Government Gazette.

- The Manager, Government Press, Gandhinagar.

With a request to publish this Notification in Govt. Gazette at the earliest and send 50 copies to this department and 50 copies to Addl. DG & IG Prisons, Gujarat State, Ahmedabad.

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