

PRESS RELEASE

BY-ELECTION FOR PUNGGOL EAST CONSTITUENCY

WRIT OF ELECTION

The President has issued the Writ of Election for Punggol East Constituency.

NOMINATION DAY

2 Nomination Day is 16 January 2013.

NOMINATION PLACE

3 The Nomination Place is North Vista Secondary School (School Hall Building), 11 Rivervale Link, Singapore 545081.

RETURNING OFFICER

4 The Returning Officer is Mr Yam Ah Mee, Chief Executive Director of the People's Association.

NOMINATION PAPER

5 Nomination papers can be collected at the office of the Returning Officer at Elections Department, 11 Prinsep Link, Singapore 187949, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily (except Sundays and public holidays) and between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Soft copies of the nomination paper can be downloaded from the Elections Department website: <http://www.eld.gov.sg>.

6 The nomination paper must be filled up correctly and signed by the candidate and his/her proposer, seconder and at least four assentors whose names appear in the current Register of Electors for Punggol East Constituency, and be delivered in duplicate to the Returning Officer at the Nomination Place between 11 a.m. and 12 noon on Nomination Day. The candidate must be accompanied by his/her proposer, seconder and at least four assentors when delivering the nomination paper.

POLITICAL DONATION CERTIFICATE

7 Every candidate must also obtain a Political Donation Certificate from the Registrar of Political Donations. Application for the Certificate shall be made by submitting, in person or through an authorised representative, a pre-election donation report (Form 3) and a pre-election declaration (Form 4) to the Registrar of Political Donations at the Elections Department, 11 Prinsep Link, Singapore 187949 not later than 1 p.m. on 12 January 2013. Application forms can be obtained from the Elections Department or downloaded from the Elections Department website: <http://www.eld.gov.sg>.

ELECTION DEPOSIT

8 According to the Parliamentary Elections Act, the deposit per candidate is 8% of the total allowances payable to an MP in the preceding year and rounded to the nearest \$500. The deposit for a candidate shall, therefore, be \$14,500.

9 The deposit shall be paid either in cash or by a bank draft or a cheque certified by the bank as good for payment of the sum specified therein (payable to "*Accountant-General, Singapore*"). Payment can be made at any time but not later than 12noon on Nomination Day. Payment can be made at the Accountant-General's Department, 100 High Street, #06-01, The Treasury, Singapore 179434 or at the Nomination Place on Nomination Day.

POLLING DAY

10 If more than one candidate stand nominated for election at the close of nominations on Nomination Day, the Returning Officer will declare 26 January 2013 (Saturday) to be the Polling Day. Polling Day for the by-election is not a public holiday. Under the law, every employer shall on Polling Day allow every elector in his employ a reasonable period of time for voting.

ISSUED BY : ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT
PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

DATE : 9 January 2013