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P R E S S R E L E A S E

GENERAL ELECTION 2020

His Excellency the Governor General has issued a Writ of Election for the holding of a General Election to be held on Wednesday 11th November 2020. Polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 6:00 p.m. Nominations for persons wishing to contest the election will be received on Wednesday 21st October 2020 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the various nomination centers, countrywide.

Statutory Instrument No. 66 of 2004 states ***"The persons entitled to vote at the election of a divisional representative shall be those persons whose names appear on the register for that division as existing on the Nomination Day."***

With nomination day being the 21st October 2020 only persons who registered **on or before 11th September 2020** are persons whose names appear on the register and are therefore eligible to vote in the General Election. This is in conformity with the time table mandated by the Representation of the People Registration Rules to ensure that the period guaranteed by law for making objections and the hearing of appeals by the Revising Officer is complied with. Persons who applied to be registered after 11th September 2020 would **not** have gone through the process required by law as of nomination day.

The Registers for each of the Electoral Divisions are posted at the Elections and Boundaries Offices countrywide and all registered electors are invited to visit the office to peruse the Register.

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