## **Procedure for Scrutiny of Nominations**

Scrutiny of nomination will be taken only on the date and time specified in the notification issued.

Scrutiny of nomination will take place at the conference hall of the Principal, GEC Thrissur, where the filing of nominations is also held.

The following persons can remain present at the time of scrutiny of nominations.

- (i) The candidate himself.
- (ii) Election agent of the candidate nominated by the candidate OR the person first proposing the candidate.

[ This applies to each and every post separately. Posts will be taken up for scrutiny in the order mentioned in the notification. ]

The Returning Officer will provide reasonable facilities to check the nomination, to the persons who are present at the time of scrutiny of nominations of all the candidates for a post. Thus the candidate and/or the persons present on behalf of the candidate can check all the nominations in the respective post.

Thereafter, the Returning Officer will scrutinize all the nominations filed by the candidates and he will check the objections, if raised any, or he will himself make a short inquiry and take a decision as to accept or not accept the nomination after taking under consideration the following facts.

(i) Whether, the candidate is possessing qualifications prescribed under eligibility conditions mentioned in the notification, on the date of scrutiny of nominations.

- (ii) Whether, he/she possess qualifications to the post under consideration.
- (iii) Whether the signature of candidate or his proposers in the nomination is correct.

PS: The Returning Officer will not reject nomination of any candidate on the ground of such a mistake which is not substantial.

The Returning Officer will postpone the scrutiny of nominations, under occurrence of any of the circumstances listed below.

- (i) Open violence
- (ii) The reason beyond control of the Returning Officer
- (iii) The Returning Officer has raised objection if any against the verification of nomination of candidate. (applies to a single post)

The Returning Officer will make a written note and put signature in the nomination paper regarding accepting or rejecting the nomination on the date of its scrutiny.

In case a nomination is rejected, the Returning Officer will make a short note mentioning the reasons for rejection.

Accordingly, after completion of scrutiny of all nominations the Returning Officer will prepare a list of validly nominated candidates out of the nominations rejected as well as accepted, and will publish it on the notice board.

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The following are the main grounds on which the nomination papers are rejected.

- (i) A candidate does not possess the qualification as required under eligibility criteria for candidates mentioned in the notification issued by APJAKTU for election to college union 2021-22.
- (ii)The candidate himself or his proposer has not presented the nomination before the Returning Officer.
- (iii) If the nomination paper is delivered after due date and time fixed for filing it.
- (iv) The nomination paper is presented at the place other than the place specified in the notice published by the Returning Officer.
- (v) If the nomination paper is not signed by the candidate or his proporsers, or the signature there in is not found correct.
- (vi) In case where the candidate or his proposers are incapacitated to sign and the thumb impression or any other mark in place of signature is not attested by HoD.
- (vii) The nomination is not filed in the prescribed form under conduct of election rules or the same is with incomplete details.
- (xi) In case of the reserved seat, it is not clearly mentioned in the nomination paper, as to which the candidate belongs.