



GROUND RULES FOR THE SECOND LAYER OF SYMBOL AWARD PROCESS

1. THE COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE

The Composition of the Assessment Ranking Committee shall strictly be as follows:

- a. National Leader and Presidential Candidate
- b. Deputy National Leader and Running Mate
- c. National Chairman
- d. Deputy National Chairman
- e. National Secretary General
- f. National Organising Secretary
- g. National Publicity Secretary
- h. All Regional Chairmen
- i. National Campaign Manager
- j. National Women's Congress Leader
- k. National Young Congress Leader
- l. National Veteran's Congress Leader
- m. Leader of Persons With Disability Wing
- n. Deputy National Secretary General
- o. National Coordinator of IEMC
- p. Secretary of IEMC
- q. District Chairman of the district being discussed.

2. ORDER OF EVENT

- a. The Regional Chairman submits approved lists of recommended aspirants from his/her districts.
- b. All aspirants are invited into the assessment hall by district.

c. The National Secretary General calls the meeting to order with brief remarks of the purpose of the meeting.

d. Address to the aspirants about five (5) minutes each by:

i. The National Chairman

ii. The National Leader and Presidential Candidate

e. Two (2) minutes self-introduction and statement of purpose by each aspirant and no insult or personal attacks shall be allowed.

Note: Individual aspirants may be asked to make clarifications on certain points raised during their presentation.

f. All district block aspirants shall be asked to leave the assessment room.

g. The Leader/Chairman shall ask the district chairman to verify and confirm the list of recommended aspirants as presented by the Regional Chairman.

h. The Committee shall verify and confirm that the list meets:

i. the minimum 30% threshold for women representation

ii. ethnic and other demographic spread

i. The National Coordinator of IEMC shall then be asked to verify whether the list is consistent with the results of the Primaries conducted.

j. The District Chairman shall explain the reasons for any deviations from the results of the primaries.

k. The committee shall briefly discuss and collectively decide on whether recommendation presented with or without modifications.

l. A member of the committee shall move that the decision be adopted on behalf of the National Advisory Committee, NAC of the Party.