

NOTICE
ELECTION COMMISSION

Notice under Section 7 (4) (a) of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981.

1. Applications for recognition as political parties for election purposes under Section 7(4) (a) of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981 (as amended by Act No. 58 of 2009) will be accepted from January 28, 2026 until 3.00p.m on February 28, 2026. The applications can be sent by registered post or handed over in person to the Election Commission by the secretary of the political party concerned. When submitting applications by registered post to the Chairman, Election Commission, Election Secretariat, Sarana Mawatha, Rajagiriya (10107), the title "Application for Registration of Political Parties - 2026" should be mentioned at the top left corner of the envelope.
2. Applications received after the closing date and time for receiving applications, will not be accepted.
3. The application should be duly filled following the directions in the Gazette Extraordinary No.2472/21 dated 2026.01.21 and signed by the secretary of the party.
4. The application form can be downloaded from the official website of the Election Commission (www.elections.gov.lk). Application form also could be obtained from the District Elections Offices and from the Elections Secretariat, Rajagiriya.
5. The request for recognition should specify the particular symbol preferred for the party, out of the symbols included in the Schedule (B) of the Gazette Extraordinary No.2471/24 dated 2026.01.13
6. Certified photocopies of the following documents should be submitted to the Commission along with the application. Originals of the documents will be checked, if necessary.

- 6.1 Constitution of the party
- 6.2 List of the office-bearers of the party
- 6.3 Names of female office-bearers (in the previous 04 years)
- 6.4 Audited statements of accounts of the party (for four years immediately preceding the year of application)
- 6.5 Current policy statement of the party
- 6.6 Documents to prove that the party had been actively functioning continuously at least for four previous years, should be submitted in separate files for each year.

7. Orders in Section 7(5),(6) and (7) of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981, as amended by the Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Act No. 58 of 2009 are final and conclusive in relation to an application to be recognized as a political party.
8. Compliance with the criteria specified in the Gazette Extraordinary No.2472/21 dated 2026.01.21 issued regarding the registration of political parties, should be established at the submission of application.

R.M.A.L. Rathnayake
Chairman,
Election Commission.

Election Commission,
Elections Secretariat,
Sarana Mawatha,
Rajagiriya (10107)
January 28, 2026

Note: It is necessary to refer to the provisions of the Parliamentary Elections Act No. 1 of 1981 in this regard.

Election Commission
Parliamentary Election Act No 1 of 1981
Recognition of Political Parties – 2026

1. Name of the political party:

(It is compulsory that the name is written in all three languages – Sinhala, Tamil, English)

i. Sinhala : -

ii. Tamil : -

iii. English: -

2. Proposed party symbol:

(Symbol should be selected from the symbols listed in a Schedule (B) of the Gazette Extraordinary No 2471/24 dated 2026.01.13)

3. Address of the party office:.....

4. Telephone number of the party office:.....

4.1 Landline -

4.2 Fax No -.....

4.3 Email -.....

5. Name of the secretary to the party:.....

6. NIC number of the secretary:.....

7. Address of the party secretary:.....

8. Telephone number of the party secretary:

Mobile no:

Landline no:

9. Email address of the party secretary:.....

10. If an application had been made previously for recognition of the party:

10.1 Year of application

10.2 Name of the party as appeared in the application.....

10.3 Date on which the application was rejected

11. Documents to be submitted with the application form (All documents should be prepared in two copies and numbered, in order, and submitted separately):

	DOCUMENTS	YES	NO
11.1	Constitution of the party		
11.2	List of the office- bearers of the party		
11.3	Names of female office- bearers (in the previous 04 years)		
11.4	Statements of accounts audited by a registered auditor (for four years immediately preceding the year of application)		
11.5	Current policy statement of the party		
11.6	Documents to prove that the party had been actively functioning continuously at least for four previous years, should be submitted in separate files for each year.		

12. When the application for recognition is made under 7(5)(b)(ii) (A) or (B) following information need to be provided:

12.1. Has the party contested independently or in alliance?

12.2. If so, the electoral districts contested:

12.3. Number of seats secured:

12.4. If contested in alliance, name of the party/alliance allied with:.....

12.5. If the members of the party contested in alliance;

12.5.1. Number of members so contested:.....

12.5.2. Details of the contestants :.....

Index No	Name of the member contested	Address	District contested
I.			
II.			
III.			
IV.			
V.			
VI.			
VII.			
VIII.			

12.6. Certified copy of the letter/MOU appended

Yes	NO
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I declare that the documents regarding the(Name of political party) party are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Date:.....

Signature of the Party Secretary

Official Frank