



Republic of Trinidad and Tobago



REPORT

**Of the Elections and Boundaries Commission on the
Local Government Bye-Election
In the Electoral District of Barataria
Held on Monday 16th July, 2018**

GIVING

- (a) the number of votes polled for each candidate, by polling divisions;**
- (b) the number of rejected ballots;**
- (c) the number of names on the revised list of electors and on the list of special electors; and**
- (d) any other information that it may deem fit to include**



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20th September 2018

Senator the Honourable Kazim Hosein
Minister of Rural Development & Local Government
Ministry of Rural Development & Local Government
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Long Circular Road
MARAVAL

Dear Sir

In accordance with Rule 108(6) of the Election Rules made under section 161(1) of the Representation of the People Act, Chapter 2:01 (the Act) the Elections and Boundaries Commission (the Commission) is pleased to submit its report on the Bye-Election for the Municipal Electoral District of Barataria in the San Juan/Laventille Regional Corporation, held on Monday 16th July 2018. The rule states as follows:

“The Commission shall immediately after each election, cause to be printed a report giving-

- (a) the number of votes polled for each candidate, by polling divisions;
- (b) the number of rejected ballots;
- (c) the number of names on the revised lists of electors and on the list of special electors; and
- (d) any other information that it may deem fit to include,

and shall forthwith forward a copy of the report to the persons respectively set out in subrule (5)(b).”

Appendix I contains the data in respect of items (a) and (b) above, while a summary of the information contained in Appendix I is given in **Appendix II**. The data relating to (c) are tabulated in **Appendix III**. Information relevant to (d) can be found below and at **Appendices IV to XI**.

By means of correspondence dated 6th June 2018, from the Secretary to the Cabinet, the Commission was informed that the Honourable Prime Minister had agreed to Monday 16th July, 2018 as the date for the conduct of the Bye-Election in the electoral district of Barataria in the San Juan/Laventille Regional Corporation, as defined in the Schedule to the Elections and Boundaries Commission (Local Government and Tobago House of Assembly) Order, 2016 (Legal Notice No. 127 of August 25, 2016) consequent on the declaration by the said Corporation of a vacancy in the electoral district. The vacancy arose consequent on the death of Mr. Pernel Troy Bruno, Councillor.



Polling Stations:

Twenty (20) polling stations were established at eight (8) locations in the electoral district for the conduct of the poll.

Staffing:

A total of one hundred and four (104) poll-day staff [ninety (90) female and fourteen (14) male] were recruited to work in polling stations on poll day, they having undergone training for three (3) days on 20th, 22nd and 23rd June, 2018.

Poll-Day Complaint:

The People's Empowerment Party alleged that there were election paraphernalia from the People's National Movement (PNM) and the United National Congress (UNC) still up, in close proximity to polling station entrances.

It is to be noted that the Commission is bound by the terms of the Representation of the People Act, Chapter 2:01 (the Act). Any offences under that Act are investigated and prosecuted by the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service ("TTPS"). In the case of violations or breaches of that Act, the Commission has no jurisdiction to investigate or prosecute any such breaches.

That being said, the Commission proposes to write to the political parties contesting elections, to request that they remove their election paraphernalia that would have been posted close to polling stations during the run-up to poll-day. A listing of the location of polling stations will be provided to assist in the exercise.

Political parties, in particular those who are signatories, will be reminded to commit to *the Code of Ethical Political Conduct* which was developed by the Council for Responsible Political Behaviour in 2014.

Commission Monitoring:

Members of the Commission visited polling stations in the electoral district to witness the opening and operation of polling stations on poll-day, and were satisfied with the arrangements made by the Returning Officer.

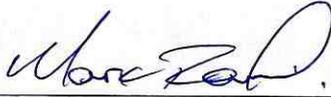
Result of the Poll:

The UNC's candidate, Ms. Sharon Maraj-Dharam, was declared elected by the Returning Officer on 17th July, 2018.

Conclusion:

The Elections and Boundaries Commission is satisfied that the election was conducted according to the Election Rules and the results reflected the will of the electorate.

Yours sincerely



MARK RAMKERRYSINGH
CHAIRMAN



LEWIS W. CHARLES
MEMBER



NOEL KALICHARAN
MEMBER



DANIELLE CHOW
MEMBER



DYLAN KERRIGAN
MEMBER

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/VALENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018
ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF BARATARIA

POLLING STATION NUMBER	POLLING STATION ADDRESS	NO. OF VOTES CAST FOR EACH CANDIDATE			NUMBER OF VALID VOTES CAST AT EACH POLLING STATION	NUMBER OF REJECTED BALLOTS AT EACH POLLING STATION	NUMBER OF NAMES ON THE REVISED LIST OF ELECTORS
		MARAJ-DHARAM SHARON U.N.C.	SAMLAL, CHRISTOPH HAYDEN P.E.P.	SMALL, KIMBERLY P.N.M.			
1320	HARMONITES PAN THEATRE CHURCHILL ROOSEVELT HIGHWAY, BARATARIA.	47	4	155	206	0	577
1325	ST. DOMINIC SAVIO (BARATARIA BOYS' R.C.) PRIMARY SCH. NO. 48 EIGHTH AVENUE, BARATARIA.	76	1	75	152	0	493
1330	ST. DOMINIC SAVIO (BARATARIA BOYS' R.C.) PRIMARY SCH. NO. 48 EIGHTH AVENUE, BARATARIA.	41	5	115	161	0	485
1335	BARATARIA SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL THIRD AVENUE, BARATARIA.	86	5	226	317	0	685
1336-01	BARATARIA SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL THIRD AVENUE, BARATARIA.	110	3	54	167	1	448
1336-02	BARATARIA SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL THIRD AVENUE, BARATARIA.	195	3	47	245	2	503
TOTALS CARRIED FORWARD		555	21	672	1,248	3	3,191

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		MARAJ-DHARAM, SHARON U.N.C.	SAMLAL, CHRISTOPH HAYDEN P.E.P.	SMALL, KIMBERLY P.N.M.			
	TOTALS BROUGHT FORWARD	555	21	672	1,248	3	3,191
1337	BARATARIA SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL THIRD AVENUE, BARATARIA.	48	4	168	220	0	568
1340	ST. GEORGE'S COLLEGE TENTH STREET, BARATARIA.	166	1	60	227	0	538
1345	BARATARIA ANGLICAN PRIMARY SCHOOL CORNER SIXTH AVE. AND EIGHTH STREET, BARATARIA.	49	2	105	156	0	407
1350	BARATARIA ANGLICAN PRIMARY SCHOOL CORNER SIXTH AVE. AND EIGHTH STREET, BARATARIA.	39	4	68	111	0	342
*1355	BARATARIA ANGLICAN PRIMARY SCHOOL CORNER SIXTH AVE. AND EIGHTH STREET, BARATARIA.	20	3	112	135	0	288
1360	BARATARIA ANGLICAN PRIMARY SCHOOL CORNER SIXTH AVE. AND EIGHTH STREET, BARATARIA.	66	6	163	235	0	691
	TOTALS CARRIED FORWARD	943	41	1,348	2,332	3	6,025

* - Polling Station where the ballots of Special Electors were intermixed (Rule 93 of the Election Rules).

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		MARAJ-DHARAM, SHARON U.N.C.	SAMLAL, CHRISTOPH HAYDEN P.E.P.	SMALL KIMBERLY P.N.M.			
	TOTALS BROUGHT FORWARD	943	41	1,348	2,332	3	6,025
1365	ST. GEORGE'S COLLEGE TENTH STREET, BARATARIA.	77	4	132	213	0	569
1370	BARATARIA SOUTH SECONDARY SCHOOL THIRD AVENUE, BARATARIA.	80	7	98	185	1	504
1375	BARATARIA NORTH SECONDARY SCHOOL SIXTH AVENUE EXTENSION, BARATARIA.	56	3	48	107	1	405
1380	BARATARIA NORTH SECONDARY SCHOOL SIXTH AVENUE EXTENSION, BARATARIA.	55	4	36	95	0	321
1395	EL SOCORRO ISLAMIA T.I.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL BISSESSAR STREET, EL SOCORRO, SAN JUAN.	76	1	59	136	0	373
1405-01	DON MIGUEL (S.D.M.S.) HINDU PRIMARY SCHOOL COR. REDMAN LANE & DON MIGUEL ROAD, EL SOCORRO, SAN JUAN.	185	5	39	229	0	702
	TOTALS CARRIED FORWARD	1,472	65	1,760	3,297	5	8,899

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		MARAJ-DHARAM, SHARON U.N.C.	SAMLAL, CHRISTOPH HAYDEN P.E.P.	SMALL, KIMBERLY P.N.M.			
	TOTALS BROUGHT FORWARD	1,472	65	1,760	3,297	5	8,899
1405-02	DON MIGUEL (S.D.M.S.) HINDU PRIMARY SCHOOL COR. REDMAN LANE & DON MIGUEL ROAD, EL SOCORRO, SAN JUAN.	216	2	31	249	1	648
1405-03	DON MIGUEL (S.D.M.S.) HINDU PRIMARY SCHOOL COR. REDMAN LANE & DON MIGUEL ROAD, EL SOCORRO, SAN JUAN.	245	2	34	281	3	660
	TOTALS	1,933	69	1,825	3,827	9	10,207

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a Statement of the Poll showing the number of votes cast for each Candidate, and do on this 17th day of July, 2018
declare SHARON MARAJ-DHARAM elected.

JUNE ALI
Returning Officer
Electoral District of BARATARIA

APPENDIX II

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

SUMMARY OF APPENDIX I

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	NUMBER OF NAMES ON THE REVISED LIST OF ELECTORS	VALID VOTES POLLED	REJECTED BALLOTS	TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	CANDIDATE DECLARED ELECTED AND PARTY AFFILIATION
BARATARIA	10,207	3,827	9	3,836	SHARON MARAJ-DHARAM U.N.C.

APPENDIX III

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

NUMBER OF NAMES ON THE REVISED LIST OF ELECTORS
AND ON THE LIST OF SPECIAL ELECTORS

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	NUMBER OF NAMES ON THE REVISED LIST OF ELECTORS	NUMBER OF NAMES ON THE LIST OF SPECIAL ELECTORS (EXTRACTED FROM REVISED LIST)
BARATARIA	10,207	36

APPENDIX IV

BYE-ELECTION TO COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

PERCENTAGE OF VOTES CAST IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	ELECTORATE	TOTAL NO. OF VOTES CAST	PERCENTAGE OF VOTES CAST AS AGAINST THE ELECTORATE
BARATARIA	10,207	3,836	37.6

APPENDIX V

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

AVERAGE NUMBER OF ELECTORS PER POLLING STATION
AND
AVERAGE NUMBER OF VOTERS PER POLLING STATION

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	NO. OF POLLING STATIONS	NO. OF ELECTORS	AVERAGE PER POLLING STATION	NO. OF VOTERS	AVERAGE PER POLLING STATION
BARATARIA	20	10,207	510	3,836	192

APPENDIX VI

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

RESULTS OF THE POLL IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT WITH THE MAJORITY OF THE WINNER

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	PARTY AFFILIATION	VOTES CAST FOR EACH CANDIDATE	PERCENTAGE OF VOTES CAST FOR CANDIDATES	MARGIN OF VICTORY
BARATARIA				
SHARON MARAJ-DHARAM	U.N.C.	1,933	50.4	
CHRISTOPH HAYDEN SAMLAL	P.E.P.	69	1.8	
KIMBERLY SMALL	P.N.M.	1,825	47.6	108
REJECTED BALLOTS		9	0.2	
TOTAL VOTES CAST		3,836	100	

APPENDIX VII

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

**COMPOSITION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL LIST OF ELECTORS
(ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS)**

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	REVISED LIST OF ELECTORS AS AT 21 ST JUNE, 2018	SUPPLEMENTAL LIST OF ELECTORS		ELECTORATE
		ADDITIONS	DELETIONS	
BARATARIA	10,207	0	0	10,207

APPENDIX VIII

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

NAMES, ADDRESSES, OCCUPATIONS AND PARTY AFFILIATIONS OF CANDIDATES NOMINATED IN COLUMN HEADED "PARTY AFFILIATION" THE ABBREVIATIONS HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:-

P.E.P - PEOPLE'S EMPOWERMENT PARTY P.N.M. - PEOPLE'S NATIONAL MOVEMENT U.N.C - UNITED NATIONAL CONGRESS

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	CANDIDATE'S NAME	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION	PARTY AFFILIATION	SYMBOL
BARATARIA	SHARON MARAJ-DHARAM	34A 12 TH STREET, BARATARIA	HOME-MAKER	U.N.C.	THE RISING SUN OVER THE TRINITY HILLS ABOVE THE LETTERS U.N.C.
	CHRISTOPH HAYDEN SAMLAL	25 SANTA CRUZ OLD ROAD, SAN JUAN	PHOTOGRAPHER	P.E.P.	THE UMBRELLA, THREE PEOPLE-LIKE FIGURES HOLDING ALOFT AN UMBRELLA
	KIMBERLY SMALL	50 FOURTH STREET, BARATARIA	H.S.E. OFFICER	P.N.M	AN OVAL WITH A BALISIER FLOWER INSIDE, AT THE BASE THE LETTERS PNM AND THE WORDS PEOPLE'S NATIONAL MOVEMENT

APPENDIX IX

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

NAMES OF RETURNING OFFICER AND ELECTION CLERK

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	NAME OF RETURNING OFFICER	OCCUPATION	NAME OF ELECTION CLERK	OFFICIAL ADDRESS
BARATARIA	JUNE ALI	ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER II (AG.)	CAMILLE AGARD-QUIMBIE	111ARANGUEZ MAIN ROAD, ARANGUEZ (UPSTAIRS SASRENA AUTO SUPPLIES LIMITED)

APPENDIX X

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

PARTICULARS, REFUND OR FORFEITURE OF CANDIDATES' DEPOSITS

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	TOTAL NO. OF VALID VOTES POLLED	1/8 OF TOTAL NO. OF VOTES OF VOTES POLLED	REFUND OR FORFEITURE OF DEPOSIT ACCORDING TO ELECTION RULE 13 (2)		
			CANDIDATE'S NAME	VOTES RECEIVED	REFUND/FORFEITURE
BARATARIA	3,827	478	SHARON MARAJ-DHARAM	1,933	REFUND
			CHRISTOPH HAYDEN SAMLAL	69	FORFEITURE
			KIMBERLY SMALL	1,825	REFUND

APPENDIX XI

BYE-ELECTION TO THE COUNCIL OF THE SAN JUAN/LAVENTILLE CORPORATION, 2018

RECORD OF TRANSACTIONS EFFECTED DURING THE
ELECTORAL REGISTRATION : 8TH -17TH JUNE, 2018

ELECTORAL DISTRICT	NUMBER OF REGISTRATIONS EFFECTED	NOTIFICATIONS OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS	
		INTERNAL	EXTERNAL
BARATARIA	2	10	9