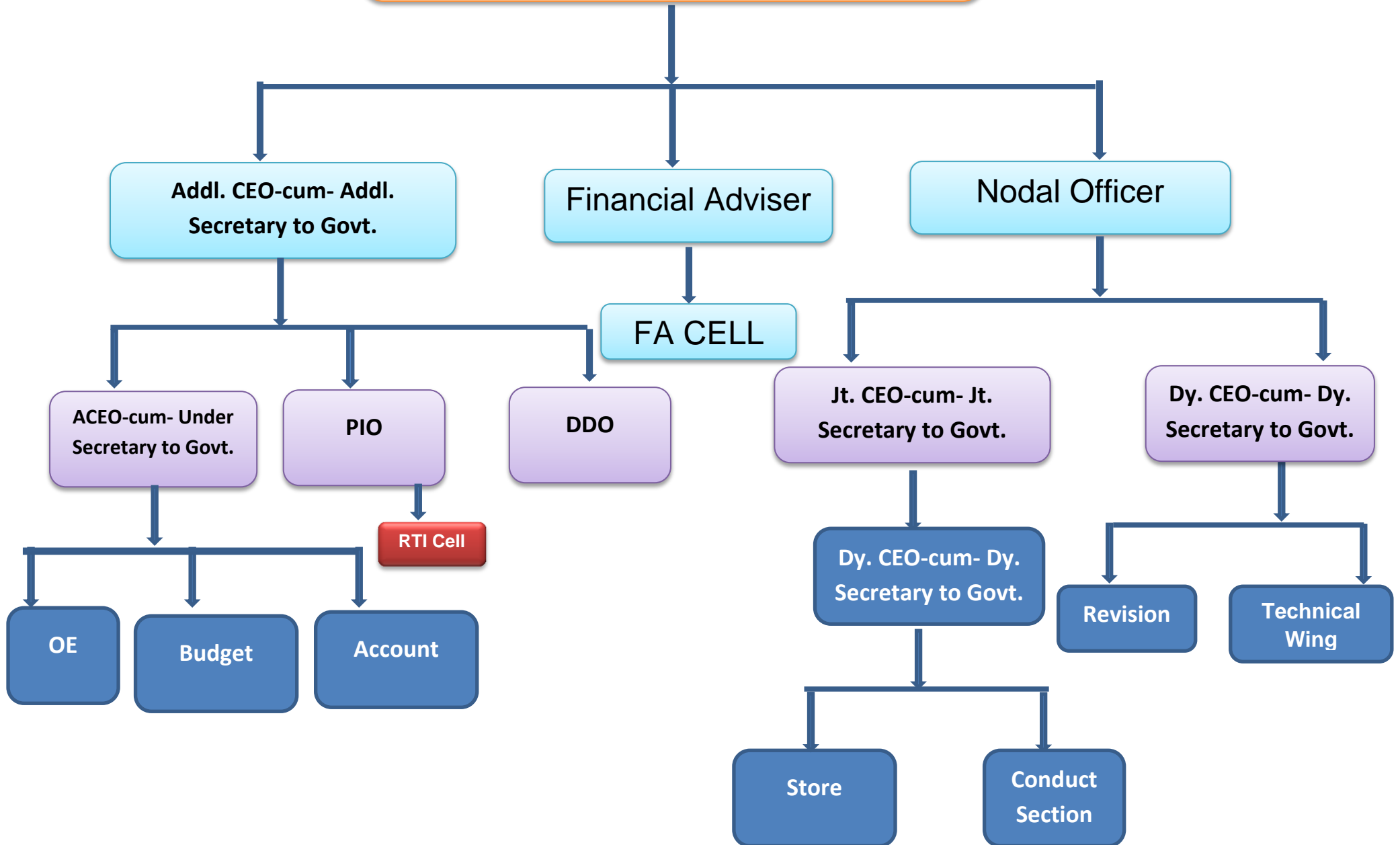


# **Chapter 2**

## **(Manual-1)**

### **Particulars of Organization, Functions and Duties**

# Chief Electoral Officer



2.2 As regards Electors Photo Identity Card (EPIC), the procedure adopted are detailed below.

2.2.1. **Eligibility for registration**-Subject to the foregoing provisions of this Part, every person who-

(a) is not less than [eighteen years] of age on the qualifying date, and

(b) is ordinarily resident in a constituency

Shall be entitled to be registered in the electoral roll for that constituency, (section 19 of the Representation of People Act, 1950).

2.2.2. **Disqualification for registration in an electoral roll-**

1. A person shall be disqualified for registration in an electoral roll if he-

a. is not a citizen of India; or

b. is of unsound mind and stands so declared by a competent court; or

c. is for the time being disqualified from voting under the provision of any law relating to corrupt practices and other offences in connection with election.

1. the name of any person who becomes so disqualified after registration shall forthwith be struck of the electoral roll in which it is included:

Provided that the name of any person struck of the electoral roll of a constituency by reason of a disqualification under clause (c) of sub- section (1) shall forthwith be re-instated in that roll if such disqualification is, during the period such roll is in force, removed under any law authorizing such removal, (section 16 of the Representation of People Act, 1950).

2.2.3 **Inclusion of names in electoral roll-**

1. Any person whose name is not included in the electoral roll of a constituency may apply to the Electoral Registration Officer for the inclusion of his name in that roll.

2. The Electoral Registration Officer shall, if satisfied that the applicant is entitled to be registered in the electoral roll, direct his name to be included therein.

Provided that if the applicant is registered in the electoral roll of any other constituency the electoral registration officer shall inform the electoral registration officer of that other constituency and that officer shall, on receipt of the information strike off the applicant's name of the roll.

3. No amendment, transposition or deletion of any entry shall be made under section 22 and no direction for the inclusion of a name in the electoral roll of a constituency shall be given under this section, after the last for date for making nominations for an election in that constituency or in the parliamentary constituency within which that constituency is comprised and before the completion of that election, (section 23 of the Representation of People Act, 1950).

**2.2.4 Correction of entries in electoral roll**-If the Electoral Registration Officer for a constituency, on an application made to him, or on his own motion, is satisfied after such inquiry as he thinks fit, that any entry in the electoral roll of the constituency.

- a. is erroneous or defective in any particular,
- b. should be transposed to another place in the roll on the ground that the person concerned has changed his place of ordinary residence within the constituency, or
- c. should be deleted on the ground that the person concerned is dead, or has ceased to be ordinarily resident in the constituency, or is otherwise not entitled to be registered in that roll,

the electoral registration officer shall, subject to such general or special direction, if any, as may be given by the Election Commission in this behalf, amend, transpose or delete the entry:

Provided that before taking any action on any ground under clause (a) or clause (b) or any action under clause (c) on the ground that the person concerned as ceased to be ordinary resident in the constituency or that he is otherwise not entitled to be registered in the electoral roll of the constituency, the electoral registration officer shall give the person concerned a reasonable opportunity of being heard in respect of the action proposed to be taken in relation to him, (section 22 of the Representation of People Act, 1950).

**2.2.5 How to register ones' name in the Electoral Roll after final publication:**

1. Under section 17 of the Representation of Peoples Act, 1950-no person shall be entitled to be registered in the electoral roll for more than one constituency.
2. Under section 18 of the Representation of People Act, 1950- no person shall be entitled to be registered in the electoral roll for any constituency more than once.