

It is the duty of the local authorities to help in the normal development of the Electoral campaign in conformity with the democratic spirit of the laws of the Kingdom.

Article 14.— The members of the National Assembly shall be elected by province, at the scale of one deputy for 50,000 nationals registered or fraction thereof equal or above 25,000.

Article 15.— Voting will take place in the whole Kingdom on the basis of universal suffrage, free, equal, direct and secret ballot.

The policemen entrusted with the maintenance of order during the elections shall strictly abstain from any act of intimidation, coercion and electoral propaganda. The policemen shall vote in the voting booth where they are detailed for the maintenance of order and will do so before the population.

Article 16.— A voting booth shall be set up in each Tasseng or each group of important villages or group of villages to which access is difficult, to enable the inhabitants of distant villages and expectant mothers or women having children of a very young age to easily take part in the vote.

The election committees from the Tasseng level to the provincial level must be independent from the administration. The election committees at the Tasseng level must be constituted at least two days before the elections. The election committees at the provincial level must be constituted 105 days before the election day.

At the Tasseng level as well as the provincial level the election committees must be composed of representatives of the administration and of political parties or bodies, participating in the current elections, the said representatives enjoying the right to vote, but without being candidates in the current elections. The members of the election committee shall vote first in accordance with the laid down time table and general rules.

The election committees at the Tasseng level shall consist of 5 to 9 members according to the importance of the number of voters; at the provincial level this figure can be fixed from 5 to 7 members. The President and the Secretary of each election committee shall be elected by the committee itself.

Article 17.— The Chaomuong or the Naikong in collaboration with the Phobans and the Tassengs, shall be entrusted with the preparation of the list of voters residing in their area.

This list must be posted at each voting-booth 45 days before the elections.

Voters who wish to vote at a voting-booth other than in the village where they reside must inform of it in writing to the Chaomuong or the Naikong of their place of residence 30 days before the elections.

Article 18.— From the date of publication of the above mentioned list, any citizen whose name does not appear on this list can submit a claim to the Tasseng for onward transmission to the Chaomuong or to the Naikong at least 15 days before the elections.