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## Parliamentary Election - 2024.11.14 Brief explanation of voting and preference marking

Sample Ballot Paper (Fig	gure 1)
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## Sample Ballot Paper (Figure 2)

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Political Party	*	*	
Political Party	*	*	

Political Party	*	*
Independent Group 1	*	*
Independent Group 2	*	*
Independent Group 3	*	*
Independent Group 4	*	*
Independent Group 5	*	*
Independent Group 6	*	*
Independent Group 7	*	*
Independent Group 8	*	*
Independent Group 9	*	*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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- The symbol of each party or group.
- Ballot papers of Polonnaruwa, Monaragala and Kegalle constituencies are printed in a single column as per Figure 1 above; Ballot papers of other constituencies are printed in 2 columns as shown in Figure 2. The specimen Ballot paper for each constituency is printed on the list of candidates distributed to each household with the official poll card.

- 2. Each voter has one vote, and that vote can be cast to a recognized political party or an independent group.
- 3. A cross mark (thus "X") should be placed in the empty box before the name and symbol of the recognized political party for which one is voting or the number and symbol of the independent group. Thereafter, to express his preference for not more than three candidates nominated by that recognized political party or independent group, he shall cross (here "X") the number corresponding to the serial number allotted to each candidate at the end of the ballot paper.

## 4. Voter -

- I. Vote for more than one recognized political party; or
- II. Vote for more than one independent groups: or
- III. Vote for a combination of one or more recognized political parties and one or more independent groups.

Or

- IV. If he puts any mark on the paper by which he may be subsequently identified His ballot is invalid and will not be counted.
- 5. Use only "Cross mark (X)" for voting and marking preferences.

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