



OFFICE OF CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, HARYANA

कार्यालय मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी, हरियाणा

CHIEF ELECTORAL
OFFICER, HARYANA

No.107(OBS)/Elec-2022/2AE- 4224

Dated:21.09.2022

To

1. The Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana.
2. The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana (Home Department).
3. The Director General of Police, Haryana.

Subject: - Submission of exemption and replacement requests in respect of General, Police and Counting Observers-regarding.

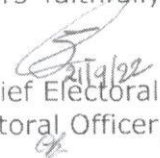
Sir/Ma'am,

On the subject cited above, I am directed to forward herewith a copy of letter No.464/OBS/2022/OPS, dated 20.09.2022 received from the Election Commission of India for your information and necessary action.

The Commission has directed that any request(s) regarding exemption/replacement in respect of individual Observers should invariably be routed through the concerned department of personnel/nodal authority. Further, any request received directly from CEOs or directly from the individual officer shall not be entertained and all such requests are to be treated as not accepted until the confirmation from the Commission is conveyed regarding the approval of the same.

It is, therefore, requested to bring the same to the notice of all the officer(s)/department(s) concerned immediately.

Yours' faithfully,


Asstt. Chief Electoral Officer,
for: Chief Electoral Officer, Haryana.

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By Speed Post/E-mail

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

NIRVACHAN SADAN, ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI-110001

No. 464/OBS/2022/OPS

Dated: 20th September, 2022

To

The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and UT's.

Subject: - Submission of exemption and replacement requests in respect of General, Police and Counting Observers -reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to state that the Commission appoints General, Police and Counting Observers under the powers conferred on it by Section 20B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 and the plenary powers available to the Commission under the Constitution of India and once an officer is appointed as Central Observer, any change in the middle of the election process is totally undesirable and creates serious problems for suitable supervision of the poll process through Observers.

2. Requests regarding exemption/ replacement of Central Observers, if any, are required to be submitted to the Commission through the concerned nodal officer(s) only. However, it has been noticed that CEOs have forwarded the exemption requests from individual Observers directly to the Commission. Further, some Observers have also submitted their exemption/replacement requests directly to the Commission without informing the Department of Personnel of their office State/Ministry/Department.

3. Therefore, it is reiterated that any request(s) regarding exemption/replacement in respect of individual Observers should invariably be routed through the concerned department of personnel/nodal authority. Any request received directly from CEOs or directly from the individual officer shall not be entertained and all such requests are to be treated as not accepted until the confirmation from the Commission is conveyed regarding the approval of same.

4. It is, therefore, requested to bring the same to the notice of all the officer(s)/department(s) concerned immediately.

Yours faithfully,



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UNDER SECRETARY

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Copy to-

1. The Chief Secretaries of all States/UTs.
2. The Director (ACC), Department of Personnel and Training, North Block, New Delhi-1
3. The Director (Police), Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New Delhi-1