

Copy of letter No. 45/11/83/5GSI dated 2nd December 1983 from the Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana to all Heads of Departments, etc., etc.

*Subject* :—By-elections to Lok Sabha seat from 4—Sonapat constituency and Vidhan Sabha seat from 78—Fatehbad constituency—Ban on transfers upto 31-12-1983.

I am directed to state that as per programme drawn up by the Election Commission of India, by-elections to the Lok Sabha seat from 4—Sonapat constituency and the Vidhan Sabha seat from 78—Fatehbad Constituency, are to be completed by 31-12-83. Out of nine segments of Sonapat parliamentary constituency, six fall in Sonapat District, one (Bahadurgarh) in Rohtak District and two (Safidon and Julana) in Jind District. The Fatehbad assembly constituency falls in Hissar District. The Deputy Commissioners and District Election Officers Sonapat, Rohtak, Jind and Hissar will require the services of a large number of officers/officials for appointment as Presiding/Polling Officers etc. in connection with the by-elections. It has, therefore, been decided to impose a ban on the transfer of officers/officials of all departments posted in the afore-mentioned districts upto 31-12-1983. The Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police of these district, IAS/HCS Officers and Addl. General Asstt. posted in Sonapat District, Sub-divisional Officers (C) Jind, Sonapat, Bahadurgarh and Fatehbad and Tehsildars and Block Development Officers etc. posted in the afore-mentioned districts and Tehsils, whose services will also be required for conducting the by-elections and maintenance of law and order during the by-elections, should also not be transferred upto 31-12-1983. If it is considered necessary to transfer any officer/official before 31-12-83, prior approval of the Election Commission of India, should be obtained, through the Chief Electoral Officer, Haryana, after giving full justification for effecting the transfer.