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Panchayat Election

Date Bound

No. SEC/4E-II/2020/211

Dated: 14.01.2020

To

The Additional Chief Secretary
to Government of Haryana, Home Department,
Chandigarh.

Subject:- Panchayat Bye-elections- Maintenance of Law & Orders to ensure free and fair elections.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to say that the State Election Commission, Haryana has issued notification No.SEC/4E-II/2020/110, dated 14.01.2020 (copy enclosed) for the conduct of the bye elections on the vacant seats of Panches, Sarpanches of Gram Panchayats, Member Panchayat Samitis and Members Zila Parishad on which the polling shall be held on 09.02.2020. To ensure free and fair Panchayat Elections, the State Election Commission has decided that steps should be taken for effective enforcement of certain measures in the sensitive areas. In this connection, specific measures enunciated by the State Election Commission are detailed hereunder and it is requested that the same may kindly be got enforced in letter and spirit.

- 1) The police should be asked to be vigilant and start the mopping up operation of the areas infested with known goondas and bad elements about 7 days prior of the poll. During such mopping operation, special attention should be paid to unearth and seize unlicensed arms and ammunitions right from now.
- 2) All the license-holders shall be directed to deposit their arms with the District Administration before the last date for the withdrawal of candidatures.
- 3) The District Administration shall make foolproof arrangements for keeping the deposited firearms in safe custody. Proper receipt must be given to the license holders depositing the firearms. It shall be the bounden duty of the District Administration/Police Authorities to ensure that all firearms deposited with the Administration are returned to the license holders immediately after one week of the declaration of results.
- 4) No new arms licenses be issued with effect from 14.01.2020 date on which model code of Conduct has come into force with the announcement of Election Programme.
- 5) An order be issued prohibiting carrying of all licensed fire arms and lethal weapons with effect from 14.01.2020.
- 6) Adequate police personnel shall be deployed at the polling stations, counting centers for security and maintenance of law and order to ensure peaceful, smooth and fair election.
- 7) Adequate wireless sets be provided to improve communication for meeting any Law and Order problem of emergent nature.

- 8) Strict vigil may be kept over movement of un-desirable elements and vigorous check may be carried out to prevent men and vehicles moving with arms and ammunition.
- 9) Thorough checking of lorries, trucks and other vehicles be carried out for three days before poll and on the poll day etc. to ensure that no undesirable elements or arms ammunition are infiltrated into and around the polling areas.
- 10) Restriction on movement of vehicles on poll day may be imposed and instructions may be issued to regulate vehicular traffic and playing of vehicles on poll days.
- 11) Sale and consumption of liquor should be stopped 48 hours before the hour fixed for the conclusion of poll and the day on which counting of votes is to be taken up otherwise penal action should be taken. The Excise and Taxation Department is also being requested to issue orders in this regard.

3. I am further directed to request you to kindly issue the necessary orders and instructions in regard to the points mentioned above to the concerned offices immediately under intimation to the State Election Commission.

Yours faithfully


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A copy is forwarded to the following for information and immediate compliance of above orders:-

- 1) Director General, Police, Haryana, Panchkula.
- 2) All Divisional Commissioners.
- 3) A.D.G.P/CID, Haryana, Panchkula.
- 4) All Deputy Commissioners-cum-District Election Officers (Panchayat), in the State of Haryana.
- 5) All District Development and Panchayat Officers in the State of Haryana.


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