



BYE-ELECTION
URGENT

GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (AR) DEPARTMENT

NO.F.5(2)-GA(AR)/2022/893

Dated, Agartala,
The, 30th May, 2022

MEMORANDUM

Subject:-Bye-Election in Assembly Constituencies-ECI instructions on enforcement of Model Code of Conduct- reg.

The undersigned is hereby directed to circulate a copy of Memo No.F.19(51)-CEO/CONDT/MCC(Bye-Election/2019/4285-93 dated 25th May, 2022 received from the Addl. Chief Electoral Officer, Tripura alongwith the letter No.F.437/6/1/ECI/INST/FUNCT/MCC/2022 dated 25th May, 2022 issued by the Sr. Pr. Secretary to the ECI which is self-speaking. It may be noted here that as per instructions issued by the Sr. Pr. Secretary to the Election Commission of India that, the Model Code of Conduct is enforced with immediate effect.

2. It is hereby requested to all concerned that the instructions by the Election Commission of India should be complied strictly.

(Pankaj Das)

Under Secretary to the
Government of Tripura

To

1. The Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, Tripura.
2. The Director General of Police, Government of Tripura.
3. All Principal Secretaries/Secretaries/Special Secretaries, Govt. of Tripura.
4. The Chief Electoral Officer, Tripura, Agartala.
5. All Departments/Head of Departments.
6. The DM & Collector, West District/ North District/Dhalai District.
7. The OSD to all Ministers, Tripura.

Copy also to:

1. The Secretary to the Governor of Tripura, Agartala.
2. The Chief Secretary, Government of Tripura.
3. The SIO, NIC, Agartala with request for uploading the same in the state portal

Under Secretary to the
Government of Tripura

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No.F.19 (51) CIO/CONDT./MCC (Bye Election)/2019/1152
ELECTION DEPARTMENT
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer,
Tripura, Agartala.

Dated, Agartala, the 26th May, 2022

To

1. The District Election Officer,
(District Magistrate & Collector),
West Tripura, Agartala/Dhalai, Ambassa
/North Tripura, Dharmanagar.
2. The Returning Officer,
(Municipal Commissioner, AMC)
3. The Returning Officer,
(Sub Divisional Magistrate, Sadar/Kamalpur/Dharmanagar)

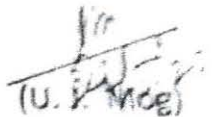
Sub:- Bye-elections in Assembly Constituencies- ECI Instructions on enforcement of Model Code of Conduct- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the letter No.437/6/1/ECI/INST/FUNCT/MCC/2022 dated 25th May, 2022 of the ECI and to inform that the provisions of Model Code of Conduct have come into force causing announcement of bye-elections for 4 (four) Assembly Constituencies in the State with immediate effect in the District(s) in which the whole or any part of the Assembly Constituency going for bye-election is comprised, subject to partial modification as issued by the Commission vide its letter No. 437/6/INST/2016-CCS dated 29th June, 2017, No.437/6/MISC/ECI/LET/FUNCT/MCC/2017 dated 18th January, 2017 and No. 437/6/MISC/LET/FUNCT/MCC/2019 dated 14th October, 2019. The instructions of the commission as mentioned above are enclosed herewith for your kind reference.

This is for your kind information & necessary action please.


Yours faithfully,


(U. K. Moe)

Addl. Chief Electoral Officer,
Tripura

Copy to:-

1. The PS to the Chief Electoral Officer, Tripura for kind information of the Chief Electoral Officer, Tripura.
2. The Director, ICA Department, Govt. of Tripura for kind information & necessary action.


Addl. Chief Electoral Officer,
Tripura

No.437/6/1/ECI/INST/FUNCT/MCC/2022

Dated: 25th May, 2022

To

1. The Cabinet Secretary,
Government of India,
Rashtrapati Bhawan,
New Delhi.
2. The Chief Secretaries to the Government of:-
 - a) Andhra Pradesh, Amaravati Velagapudi;
 - b) Jharkhand, Ranchi;
 - c) Punjab, Chandigarh;
 - d) Tripura, Agartala;
 - e) Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow;
 - f) NCT of Delhi, Delhi.
3. The Chief Electoral Officers of:-
 - a) Andhra Pradesh, Amaravati Velagapudi;
 - b) Jharkhand, Ranchi;
 - c) Punjab, Chandigarh;
 - d) Tripura, Agartala;
 - e) Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow;
 - f) NCT of Delhi, Delhi.

Subject:- Bye-elections in Parliamentary/ Assembly Constituencies of various States - Instructions on enforcement of Model Code of Conduct-regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the Commission has announced, vide Press Note No. ECI/PN/52/2022 dated 25th May, 2022, schedule for Bye-elections in Parliamentary/Assembly Constituencies of following States :-


| Name of the State | Name & No. of Constituency |
|-------------------|--|
| Punjab | 12-Sangrur Parliamentary Constituency |
| Uttar Pradesh | 7-Rampur Parliamentary Constituency 69-Azamgarh Parliamentary Constituency |
| Andhra Pradesh | 115-Atmakur Assembly Constituency |
| Jharkhand | 66-Mandar (ST) Assembly Constituency |
| Tripura | 06-Agartala Assembly Constituency 08-Town Bordowali Assembly Constituency 46-Surma (SC) Assembly Constituency 57-Jubarajnagar Assembly Constituency |
| NCT of Delhi | 39-Rajinder Nagar Assembly Constituency |

2. The provisions of the Model Code of Conduct have come into force with immediate effect in the district(s) in which the whole or any part of the Parliamentary/Assembly Constituency going for bye-election is comprised, subject to partial modification as issued by Commission vide its letters No. 437/6/INST/2016-CCS dated 29th June, 2017, No.

437/6/MISC/ECI/LET/UNCT/MCC/2017 dated 13th January, 2018 and No
437/6/MISC/ECI/LET/UNCT/MCC/2019 dated 11th October, 2019 (copies enclosed).

3. This may be brought to the notice of all concerned.

Yours faithfully,


(NARENDRA N. BUTOLIA)
SR. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY



भारत निर्वाचन आयोग
Election Commission of India

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No. 437/6/INST/2016-CCS

Dated: 29th June, 2017

To,

1. The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and Union Territories.
2. The Chief Secretaries of all States and Union Territories.
3. Recognized political parties of all States/UTs

Subject:- Model Code of Conduct- instructions- bye-election of Parliamentary/Assembly Constituency -regarding.

Sir,

On the above cited subject, I am directed to state that the Commission has reviewed the issue and has issued the following modifications of its earlier instructions:-

1. Enforcement of MCC

The Commission's instructions, contained in letters No. 437/6/INST/2012/CC&BE dated 26.04.2012 and No. 437/6/INST/2012/CC&BE dated 21.10.2013, list various provisions of applicability of MCC to the concerned district or the AC/PC concerned. These instructions are modified to the extent that *in case the constituency is comprised in State Capital/Metropolitan Cities/Municipal Corporations, then aforesaid instructions would be applicable in the area of concerned Constituency only. In all other cases the MCC would be enforced in the entire district(s) covering the Constituency going for bye-election(s).*

2. Publishing of Advertisements

The Commission on 25th June, 2013, directed that the release /publishing of advertisements during the period of operation of Model Code of Conduct in connection with bye-elections would be regulated as follows:-

- (i) Advertisement of general nature in connection with specific occasions of importance may be published. However, such publishing shall be restricted to the dates coinciding with the special occasion only, and it shall not be published on other days. The advertisement shall not bear photographs of any Minister and other political functionaries.
- (ii) No advertisement having any specific/pointed reference or connotation to the areas covered by the bye-election constituencies shall be released/published on any date during the period.

Further, it is clarified that no new schemes should be advertised in the districts where the bye-election is being conducted. [Subpara (ii) above] stands modified).

3. Tours of Ministers

During bye elections from any constituencies, either Parliamentary or Assemblies, the following restrictions are applicable as per instruction issued by the Commission on 23rd November, 2007 with regard to the tours of Ministers which inter alia provides that:-

- (i) All Ministers, whether Central or State, shall not combine in any manner their official tours with election work after the announcement of the bye elections. All and any visits to the district(s) where bye-election is being held and where Model Code of Conduct is, therefore, in force, have to be completely private in nature.
- (ii) In case where a Minister travelling on official work transits through the district(s) where the bye-election is being held en route to any other district on official visit, he shall not attend to any political work.

Further, it is clarified that the Ministers or persons holding equivalent rank/status cannot combine their official visit with campaign by en routing their journey for official purposes to a place where MCC is not in force and then proceeding from that place to the area where MCC is in force for election campaign. In case it is done, the entire journey expense shall be treated as election expense. [subpara (ii) above stands modified].

4. Regarding Transfer/Posting of Officers

For all officers, who are connected with the conduct of bye-election in the State, the existing ECI's instructions on implementation of transfer policy be applied within the area falling under the concerned AC/PC. While implementing this policy the DLO/RO should take care that in case of deployment of any officer from outside the constituency for any election related duty, shall also conform to the transfer policy of the Commission.

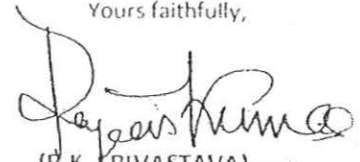
5. Regarding Announcement of D.A.

There is no ECI's instruction in the context of bye-election prohibiting State Governments to take decisions which have State wide effect and consequently in the Constituency concerned.

The Commission, after taking into consideration all relevant factors in this regards, has decided that announcement of D.A. by the state government may be done as a routine affair but it should not be publicized as the Government's achievement.

Kindly inform all concerned and give due publicity and ensure compliance in letter and spirit.

Yours faithfully,


(R.K. SRIVASTAVA)
SR. PB. SECRETARY

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

NIRVACHAN SADAN, ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI-110001

No.437/6/MISC/ECI/LET/FUNCT/MCC/2017

Dated: 18 January 2018

To

The Chief Electoral Officers of
All States and Union Territories.

Subject: -Clarification regarding enforcement of MCC during bye-election - regarding.

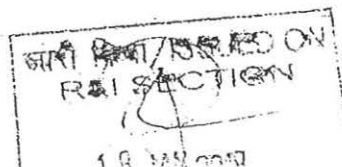
Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letter No. 437/6/INST/2016-CCS dated 29th June, 2017 regarding application of Model Code of Conduct wherein it has been stated that in case the constituency is comprised in State Capital/Metropolitan Cities/Municipal Corporations, then MCC instructions would be applicable in the area of concerned Constituency only. In all other cases aforesaid instructions would be enforced in the entire district(s) covering the Constituency going for bye-election(s). (Copy enclosed for ready reference)

In this connection, a clarification was sought for by Returning Officer, Ajmer Parliamentary Constituency in Rajasthan, whether the MCC was to be enforced in the entire district of Jaipur or only in the Dudu Assembly segment of Jaipur District during the ensuing bye-election to Ajmer Parliamentary Constituency since Jaipur district has in it state capital, municipal corporation, metropolitan city as well as rural area. The Commission considered the matter and clarified that in order to avoid dislocation/disturbance of normal administrative work in Jaipur District, MCC would be enforced only in Dudu Assembly segment of Jaipur district.

Now, the Commission has decided that above direction shall be applied in all future bye elections in the Country involving State Capital/Metropolitan Cities/Municipal Corporations. Accordingly, any district in which Corporation/ Metro/Municipal Corporation is located, MCC would be enforced in the particular Assembly Constituency Segment only and not in the whole of the district.

Yours faithfully,



(NARENDRA N. BUTOLIA)
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

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SECRETARIAT OF THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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No.437/6/MISC/ECI/LET/FUNCT/MCC/2019

Dated: 14th October, 2019

To

1. The Chief Secretaries of all States and Union Territories.
2. The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and Union Territories.

Subject: - Clarification regarding enforcement of MCC during bye-election - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's Instructions issued vide letter No. 437/6/INST/2016-CS dated 29.06.2017 and to state that the Commission has been receiving various requests seeking clarifications regarding enforcement of MCC during bye-elections where a small number of polling stations of the Constituency fall under jurisdiction of other district(s).

The Commission has considered the matter and directed that the instructions contained in the para-1 of the aforesaid letter shall cover the district in which all or maximum number of polling stations of constituency going to bye-election are located. For the district(s) with number of polling stations less than 10% of the total polling stations of the constituency concerned, the instructions contained in the para-1 of the aforesaid letter would be applicable only in the area under jurisdiction of those polling stations. However, it must be ensured that the other instructions regarding deployment of staff, etc., are strictly observed in all districts irrespective of number of polling stations located therein.

Yours faithfully,

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| O/O THE CEO, TRIPURA | |
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