STATE ELECTION COMMISSION HARYANA NIRVACHAN SADAN, PLOT NO.2, SECTOR 17, PANCHKULA

<u>ORDER</u>

No.SEC/3ME/2018/5081 Dated: 01.10.2018

The General Election of Municipal Committee, Kalanwali was held on 22.05.2016 and the result of the elected candidates was declared on the same day.

- 2. Section 13E of the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973, provides that every candidate at an election shall, either himself or by her election agent, keep a separate and correct account of all expenditure in connection with the election incurred or authorized by her or by her election agent from the date of filing of nomination papers to the date of declaration of the result thereof, both dates inclusive. The account shall contain such particulars, as may be notified by the State Election Commission in this behalf. The total of the said expenditure shall not exceed such amount as may be notified by the State Election Commission from time to time.
- 3. Section 13D of the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973 read with Section 10 A of the Representation of People Act, 1951 further provides that if the Election Commission is satisfied that a person
 - (a) has failed to lodge an account of election expenses, within the time and in the manner required by or under this Act, and
 - (b) has no good reason or justification for the failure

the Election Commission shall, by order published in the Official Gazettee, declare him to be disqualified and any such person shall be disqualified for a period of three years from the date of the order.

- 4. In pursuance of the above provisions, the State Election Commission, Haryana vide its notification No.SEC/3ME/2015/619, dated 03.06.2015 in exercise of powers vested under clause (i) Article 243 ZA of the Constitution of India, sub-section 3 of Section 13E of the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973 had prescribed the limit of expenditure of Rs. 75,000/- that may be incurred by the contesting candidate or her authorized agent in connection with election of Municipal Committee, Kalanwali and account of election expenses shall be filed/lodged with the Deputy Commissioner or any other officer prescribed by the Commission within 30 days from the date of declaration of the result of election.
- 5. The State Election Commissioner, Haryana in exercise of powers contained under Section 3B of the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973 authorized Secretary, State Election Commission, Haryana vide order No.SEC/1ME/2017/2017, dated 01.12.2017 and further modified vide order No.SEC/1ME/2018/842, dated 28.02.2018 to decide the cases of disqualification of the candidates, who failed to lodge their account of election expenses.
- 6. As reported by the Deputy Commissioner, Sirsa, the Smt.Kiran Sharma w/o Sh.Inder Sharma had contested the election from Ward No.15 of Municipal Committee, Kalanwali but failed to submit her election expenditure account within the prescribed time.
- 7. The Commission had served a show cause notice upon her to explain as to why she should not be disqualified on account of non submission of election expenditure account within the period. She neither submitted her election expenditure statement nor responded to the show cause notice. I, had given her personal hearing on 19.07.2018 in PWD Rest House, Sirsa in the interest of justice. Avinash Singla, SI of the Municipal Committee, Kalanwali

represented the Deputy Commissioner, Sirsa. As per the report of Secretary, Municipal Committee, Kalanwali, the letter for personal appearance was duly served upon her in person.

- 8. Smt.Kiran Sharma, contesting candidates from Ward No.15 neither appeared before me nor filed any representation. Therefore, it can be concluded that she has nothing to say in the matter. Hence, she is proceeded ex-parte. Smt.Kiran Sharma deserves to be disqualified. Hence I, P.K.Sharma, Secretary, State Election Commission, Haryana, hereby order that Smt.Kiran Sharma w/o Sh.Inder Sharma r/o Ward No.15, Rania, District Sirsa is disqualified under Section 13D of the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973 read with Section 10A of the Representation of People Act, 1951 for being chosen as, and for being a member of Municipality for a period of three years from the date of this order.
- 9. The office is directed to send a copy of this order to the candidate concerned through Deputy Commissioner, Sirsa immediately.

Dated, Panchkula The 30th July, 2018 P.K.Sharma Secretary State Election Commissioner, Haryana

Dated :- 01.10.2018

Endst. No. SEC/3ME/2018/5082--5087

A copy is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

- 1. The Principal Secretary, Haryana Government, Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana.
- 2. Director, Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana, Panchkula.
- 3. Deputy Commissioner, Sirsa.
- 4. Secretary, Municipal Committee, Kalanwali.
- 5. Candidate concerned.
- 6. The Controller, Printing & Stationery Department, Haryana. He is requested notify in the Haryana Government Gazette as required under Section 13D of the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973

(Pushkar Dutt) Superintendent/MC State Election Commission, Haryana