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Most Immediate/Municipal Election Date Bound

No.SEC/1ME/2021/3136

Dated: 19.08.2021

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

Subject:- Municipal Bye-elections - Maintenance of Law & Order to ensure free and fair elections.

Sir,

I have been directed to refer to the above subject and to say that the State Election Commission, Haryana has issued notification for conduct of byeelection for the seat of President, Municipal Committee, Dharuhera, district Rewari and for five wards namely Ward Nos. 3,4,7,8 & 9 of Municipal Committee, Ateli Mandi, district Mahendergarh vide Notification No. SEC/1ME/2021/3098 dated 19.08.2021 (copy enclosed). As per schedule, the nomination papers shall be presented from **27.08.2021 to 02.09.2021** (except on 29.08.2021 & 30.08.2021 being gazetted holidays) and the poll shall be held on **12.09.2021**. Counting of votes shall be taken up after the close of poll on all the polling stations and the result shall be declared immediately after the completion of counting.

2. I have further been directed to say that with a view to ensure free and fair elections of the above said municipalities, the State Election Commission has decided that steps should be taken for effective enforcement of certain measures in the sensitive areas of these municipalities, where, election is scheduled to be held on **12.09.2021**. 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 both in letter and spirit.

- (I) 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 10 days prior to the poll. During such mopping operation, special attention should be paid to unearth and seize unlicensed arms and ammunitions right from now.
- (II) No new arms licenses should be issued with effect from **19.08.2021** date on which the Model Code of Conduct has come into force with the announcement of Election Programme.

- (III) An order must be issued prohibiting carrying of all licensed fire arms and lethal weapons with effect from **19.08.2021**. Further effective steps may also be taken to unearth un-licensed weapons and seize the same.
- (IV) Arrangement must be made for deployment of police at each polling station and near each polling station and also in sensitive areas.
- (V) Adequate wireless sets must be provided to improve communication for meeting any Law and Order problem of emergent nature.
- (VI) Strict vigil may be kept over movement of un-desirable elements and vigorous checks may be carried out to prevent men and vehicles moving with arms and ammunition.
- (VII) Thorough checking of lorries, trucks and other vehicles must 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.
- (VIII) Restriction on movement of vehicles on poll days must be imposed and instructions may be issued to regulate vehicular traffic and plying of vehicles on the poll day.
- (IX) Sale and consumption of liquor should be stopped one day before the poll, on poll day or and the day on which counting of votes is to be taken, otherwise penal action should be taken. The Excise and Taxation Department is also being instructed to issue necessary orders in this regard.

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

Yours faithfully,

Asstt. State Election Commissioner for State Election Commissioner, Haryana

No.SEC/1ME/2021/3137-3143

Dated: 19.08.2021

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

- 1. Director General of Police, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 2. A.D.G.P/Law and Order, Haryana, Panchkula
- 3. Divisional Commissioner, Gurugram
- 4. Deputy Commissioner, Rewari and Mahendergarh.
- 5. Superintendent of Police, Rewari and Mahendergarh.



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