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

No.SEC/1ME/2018/2954

Dated:20.04.2018

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

Subject:- Municipal 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 the notification for the conduct of the General Elections of 18 Municipal Committees and Bye-Elections of W. No. 20 of Municipal Council, Thanesar (Kurukshetra) and W. No. 04 of Municipal Committee, Assandh (Karnal) vide Notification No.SEC/1ME/2018/2846 dated 20.04.2018 (copy enclosed). As per schedule, the nomination papers shall be presented from 27.04.2018 to 02.05.2018 and poll shall be held on 13.05.2018. The counting of votes shall be done immediately after the close of poll at the polling stations and results shall be declared immediately after the completion of counting in all the wards.

2. I am further directed to say that with a view to ensuring 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 13.05.2018. 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.

- (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 be issued with effect from 20.04.2018 date on which model code of Conduct has come into force with the announcement of Election Programme.
- (III) An order be issued prohibiting carrying of all licensed fire arms and lethal weapons with effect from 20.04.2018. Further effective steps may also be taken to unearth the un-licensed weapons and seize the same.
- (IV) Arrangement be made for deployment of police at each polling station and near each polling station and also in sensitive areas.
- (V) Adequate wireless sets 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 check may be carried out to prevent men and vehicles moving with arms and ammunition.
- (VII) 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.
- (VIII) Restriction on movement of vehicles on poll days may be imposed and instructions may be issued to regulate vehicular traffic and plying of vehicles on 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 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.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully

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(Parmal Singh) Assistant State Election Commissioner, Haryana

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

- 1. Director General of Police, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 2. All the Divisional Commissioners in the State of Haryana
- 3. A.D.G.P/Law and Order, Haryana, Panchkula
- 4. Deputy Commissioner, Bhiwani, Gurugram, Hisar, Jind, Jhajjar, Karnal, Kaithal, Mahendergarh, Mewat, Palwal, Rohtak, Sonepat and Kurukshetra
- 5. Superintendent of Police, Bhiwani, Gurugram, Hisar, Jind, Jhajjar, Karnal, Kaithal, Mahendergarh, Mewat, Palwal, Rohtak, Sonepat and Kurukshetra.

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(Parmal Singh) Assistant State Election Commissioner, Haryana