STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, HARYANA S.C.O. NO.16-17, SECTOR-20 D,CHANDIGARH.

NOTIFICATION

DATED: 23/10/2003.

NO. SEC/E-III/2003/10056

I, T.D. Jogpal, State Election Commissioner, Haryana in exercise of powers vested under Article 243 K of the Constitution of India, Section 212 of the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 and para No. 3 of the Haryana Panchayati Raj Election Expenditure (Maintenance and Submission of Accounts) order of 1996, dated 30th May, 1996 and all other powers enabling me in this behalf hereby prescribe the limit on expenditure that may be incurred by the contesting candidates or his authorized election agents in connection with the elections as member of various Panchayat bodies:-

i)		Panch (Member of	Rs.	5,000-00
ii)	(a)	Gram Panchayat) Sarpanch of a Gram Panchayat having upto	Rs.	15,000-00
	(b)	15 wards Sarpanch of a Gram Panchayat having more	Rs.	25,000-00
iii)		than 15 wards Member, Panchayat Samiti	Rs.	50,000-00
iv)		Member, Zila Parishad	Rs.	1,00,000-00

The State Election Commissioner further directs that the account of expenditure to be incurred by the contesting candidates of various offices in Panchayat bodies will be maintained and submitted to the Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer ({Panchayat}) within a period of 30 days from the declaration of the result, in the performa to be prescribed for the purpose and the Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer (Panchayat) in turn would send report to the Commission as per provisions contained in the Haryana Panchayati Raj Election Expenditure (Maintenance and Submission of Accounts) Order, 1996.

The State Election Commission further directs that if a candidate fails to submit accounts of expenditure incurred by him for election to Panches, Sarpanches, Members Panchayat Samitis/Zila Parishads, as the case may be, within the prescribed time limit, the Commission by order published in Official Gazette shall declare him to be disqualified and may such person be disqualified for a period of three years from the date of the order.

Every contesting candidate shall either by himself or by his authorized election agent will have to keep a separate and correct account of all expenditure in connection with the election between the dates he has been nominated and date of declaration of result both dated inclusive. The total expenditure shall not exceed the limit as prescribed above.

No particular party or any other association, body or individual shall put up any cut-outs, hoardings, wall paintings, buntings, arches, gates, banners, flags, advertisements in newspapers etc. without the general or special authority in writing of the candidates whose election is sought to be promoted or procured by such cut-outs, hoardings etc. as expenditure on all such items shall be

treated as the legitimate expenditure incurred by the contesting candidate. No contesting candidate or any individual on his behalf shall put up any cut-outs, hoarding etc. without prior permission of the concerned Government authority.

Any violation by the contesting candidate or his authorized agent/individual to incur any expenditure in excess of the limit mentioned above, will be viewed seriously by the State Election Commission and stringent action shall be taken against him.

This supersedes the earlier letter No. SEC/E-III/2000/3108, dated 17.02.2000 issued by the Commission vide which the limitations of expenditure were prescribed.

Dated, Chandigarh the 23rd October, 2003. T.D.Jogpal State Election Commissioner, Haryana.

Copy to :-

- 1 Chief Secretary to Government Haryana, Chandigarh(In General Admn. Department).
- 2 Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary to Govt. Haryana, Development and Panchayat Department, Chandigarh.
- 3 Director, Development and Panchayat Department Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 4 All the Deputy Commissioners-cum-District Election Officers (Panchayat) in the State of Haryana.
- All the District Development and Panchayat Officers-cum-Deputy District Election Officers (Panchayat) in the State of Haryana.