## Date Bound Election Matter

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

No. SEC /3E-II/2010/1907 Dated 15.05.2010

To

The Financial Commissioner & Principal Secretary to

to Government of Haryana,

Prohibition, Excise and Taxation Deptt., Chandigarh.

Subject: Panchayat General Election May/June, 2010 --- Prohibition of sale

of liquor—regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to say that the State Election Commission, Haryana has issued notification No.SEC/3E-II/2010/1773, dated 15.05.2010 (copy enclosed) for the conduct of Panchayat General Elections of the offices of Panches and Sarpanches of Gram Panchayats and Members of Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads of 13 districts i.e. Ambala, Bhiwani, Faridabad, Fatehabad, Jind, Jhajjar, Kurukshetra, Kaithal, Sonepat, Sirsa, Palwal, Mahendergarh at Narnaul and Mewat at Nuh. The poll on these districts shall be held on two phases i.e. 06.06.2010 and 12.06.2010. The counting of votes in respect of Panches and Sarpanches shall be held on 06.06.2010 & 12.06.2010 and in respect of Member Panchayat Samiti & Zila Parishad, it shall be held on 14.06.2010 at Block or District headquarter.

- 2. In order to conduct free, fair and peaceful elections of Panchayati Raj Institutions, the Commission proposes to take certain measures to create and preserve the conducive atmosphere for holding elections, reflecting the true choice of the electorate. To meet with this objective, the State Election Commission, Haryana, in exercise of powers conferred on it under Article 243K(1) of the Constitution of India, Section 173A of the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, hereby directs that the State Government shall declare and notify 'dry days' under relevant laws for such period during Panchayat General Elections as are appropriate at or around the area where the Panchayat General Elections are to be held. Such period of 'dry days' so declared and notified must include the period of two days before the polling days, the polling and counting days and the day immediately thereafter.
- The State Election Commission, Haryana further directs that:-
  - (I) No liquor shops, hotels, restaurants, clubs and other establishments' selling/serving liquor shall be permitted to sell/serve liquor to any person who so ever may be on the aforesaid dates.
  - (II) No proprietary clubs, star hotels, restaurants etc. and hotels run by anyone even if they are issued different categories of licenses for possession and supply of liquor, should be permitted to serve liquors on these days.

- (III) The storage of liquors by individuals shall be curtailed during the above period and the restrictions provided in the Excise laws on the storage in unlicensed premises shall be vigorously enforced.
- (IV) Steps shall also be taken to prohibit the sale of liquor in adjoining areas of above mentioned districts, so that there are no chances of clandestine movement of liquor from those areas, whereas the restriction has not been in operation.
- 3. It is requested that a copy of order issued in furtherance of the above mentioned directions should be sent to the Commission without delay.

Yours faithfully,

(Puran Mal)
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A copy is forwarded to the following for information and immediate compliance of above orders:-

- 1. Secretary to His Excellency Governor of Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 2. Chief Secretary to Government of Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 3. Financial Commissioner & Principal Secretary to Govt. of Haryana, Development and Panchayat Department, Chandigarh.
- 4. Financial Commissioner & Principal Secretary to Govt. of Haryana, Home Department, Chandigarh.
- 5. Financial Commissioner & Principal Secretary to Govt. of Haryana, Finance Department, Haryana.
- 6. Financial Commissioner & Principal Secretary to Govt. of Haryana, Printing and Stationery, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 7. Director-General, Police, Haryana, Panchkula.
- 8. Divisional Commissioners, Gurgaon, Hisar, Ambala and Rohtak.
- 9. Director, Development and Panchayat, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 10. Director, Public Relation, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 11. All Inspector Generals of Police Ranges of Haryana and Police Commissioners, Gurgaon and Faridabad.
- 12. Deputy Commissioners-cum-District Election Officer (Panchayat) of the concerned districts for information and further necessary action. They are directed to ensure compliance of the schedule notified above. It may also be ensured that date wise compliance report reaches to the Commission by fax.
- 13. The Controller, Printing & Stationery Department, Haryana for information and record
- 14. State Informatic Officer, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 15. District Development and Panchayat Officers of the concerned districts.

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