<u>Most Immediate</u> <u>Panchayat General Election</u> <u>Date Bound</u>

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

NO. SEC/3E-II/2010/1870

Dated: 15.05.2010

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The Financial Commissioner & Principal Secretary to Government of Haryana, Home Department, Chandigarh.

Subject:- Panchayat General Elections May/June, 2010 - 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 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 nominations for these General Elections, as prescribed in the notification would start from 22.05.2010 to 24.05.2010 (excluding Sunday i.e. 23.05.2010). The date of scrutiny of nomination papers has been prescribed as 25.05.2010. The last date of withdrawal of nomination papers is 27.05.2010. The polling for First phase will be held on 06.06.2010 and for Second Phase will be

held on 12.06.2010. The counting of votes will take place on the same day immediately after the closing of polling for the election of Panches and Sarpanches and for members of Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads is to be held on 14.06.2010 at Block or District Headquarters

2. I am further directed to say that with a view to ensuring free and fair Panchayat General Elections in the above said Panchayati Raj Institutions, the State Election Commission has decided that all necessary steps should be taken for effective enforcement of certain measures in the sensitive areas in respect of above mentioned districts, where elections are scheduled to be held on 06.06.2010 and 12.06.2010. 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 its 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 of 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 15.05.2010 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 15.05.2010. 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 playing of vehicles on poll days.
- (IX) Sale and consumption of liquor should be stopped two days before the poll, on poll days or a day after the poll otherwise penal action should be taken. The Excise and Taxation Department has also been requested to issue orders in this regard at the appropriate stage.

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.

Yours faithfully

(Puran Mal) Secretary State Election Commission, Haryana E-mail Id: <u>secy.sec@hry.nic.in</u>

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Dated: 15.05.2010

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

- 1. Director General of Police, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 2. Divisional Commissioners, Ambala, Gurgaon, Hisar and Rohtak Division.
- 3. A.D.G.P/CID, Haryana, Panchkula
- 4. All the Inspector Generals of Police in Haryana State.
- 5. The Deputy Commissioners-cum-District Election Officers(Panchayat), Ambala, Bhiwani, Faridabad, Fatehabad, Jind, Jhajjar, Kurukshetra, Kaithal, Sonepat, Sirsa, Palwal, Mewat at Nuh and Mahendergarh at Narnaul
- 6. The District Development and Panchayat Officers, Ambala, Bhiwani, Faridabad, Fatehabad, Jind, Jhajjar, Kurukshetra, Kaithal, Sonepat, Sirsa, Palwal, Mewat at Nuh and Mahendergarh at Narnaul

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