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Election Matter

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, HARYANA
“Nirvachan Sadan”, Plot No.2, Sector-17, Panchkula

No. SEC /3E-II/2012/3221

Dated 29.11.2012

To

The Financial Commissioner & Principal Secretary to
to Government of Haryana,
Prohibition, Excise and Taxation Department, Chandigarh.

Subject : Panchayat Elections December, 2012--- 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/2012/2692, dated 29.11.2012 (copy enclosed) for the conduct of Bye Elections of the vacant seats of Panches, Sarpanches, Members of Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads in the State of Haryana and second General Election of Gram Panchayat, Sambhalkha in district Kurukshetra on 16.12.2012. The nominations for these Elections, as prescribed in the notification would start from 04.12.2012 to 06.12.2012. The date of scrutiny of nomination papers has been prescribed as 07.12.2012. The last date of withdrawal of nomination papers is 10.12.2012. The counting of votes in respect of Panches and Sarpanches shall be held immediately after the close of poll at the polling stations and in respect of Member Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads, it shall be held on 17.12.2012 at Block Headquarter concerned.

2. In order to conduct free, fair and peaceful elections of these 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/Bye Elections as are appropriate at or around the area where the Panchayat General/Bye Elections are to be held. Such period of ‘dry days’ so declared and notified must include the period of 48 hours ending with hour fixed for conclusion of poll and the day on which counting of votes is to be taken up.

3. 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,

(Parmal Singh)
Asstt. State Election Commissioner, Haryana
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Endst. No.SEC/3E-II/2012/3222-72

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

1. Chief Secretary to Government of Haryana, Chandigarh.
2. Financial Commissioner & Principal Secretary to Govt. of Haryana, Development and Panchayat Department, Chandigarh.
3. Director-General, Police, Haryana, Panchkula.
4. Divisional Commissioners, Hisar, Rohtak, Gurgaon and Ambala.
5. Director, Development and Panchayat, Haryana, Chandigarh.
6. Director, Public Relation, Haryana, Chandigarh.
7. All Deputy Commissioners-cum-District Election Officers (Panchayat) in the State of Haryana for information and further necessary action.
8. All District Development and Panchayat Officers in the State of Haryana.

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