

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, HARYANA NIRVACHAN SADAN, PLOT NO. 2, SECTOR- 17 PANCHKULA – 134109

Website:<u>www.secharyana.gov.in</u> Email id:<u>sec@hry.nic.in</u> Phone: +91172 258 4810 Fax: +91 172 258 5904

Most Immediate/Date Bound Panchayati Raj Institutions Elections

No.SEC/4E-II/2022/3191

Dated: 7th October, 2022

То

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

Subject:- General Elections of Panchayati Raj Institutions- Maintenance of Law & Order to Ensure Free and Fair elections.

Sir,

I have been directed to refer to the above subject and to say that the State Election Commission, Haryana has issued notification for conduct of general elections for three tiers of Panchayati Raj Institutions in 10 districts, namely; Bhiwani, Fatehabad, Jhajjar, Jind, Kaithal, Mahendergarh, Nuh, Panchkula, Panipat and Yamuna Nagar vide Notification No. SEC/4E-II/2022/3064 dated 07.10.2022(copy enclosed). As per election schedule, nomination papers shall be presented from 14.10.2022 to 19.10.2022 and poll shall be held on 30.10.2022 and 02.11.2022. Re-poll, if any, required, shall be held on 02.11.2022 and 04.11.2022 and counting of votes in respect of Panches and Sarpanches shall be held immediately after the close of poll at the polling stations of the Gram Panchayat concerned. Counting for election of Members of Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads shall be held on the date which will be notified by the State Election Commission, Haryana with the election schedule for the remaining 12 districts at the place(s) specified by the Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer (Panchayat) concerned and result shall be declared immediately after the completion of counting.

2. I have further been directed to say that with a view to ensure conduct of elections of the Panchayati Raj Institutions in a transparent, peaceful, free and fair manner, the State Election Commission, Haryana has decided that steps should be taken for effective enforcement of certain measures in the sensitive areas, where, election is scheduled to be held on **30.10.2022 and 02.11.2022**. 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 both in letter and spirit.

(I) The police should be asked to be vigilant and start 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 ammunition right from now.

- (II) No new arms licenses should be issued with effect from 07.10.2022 date on which the Model Code of Conduct has come into force with the announcement of election programme till the announcement of election results.
- (III) An order must be issued prohibiting carrying of any fire arms and weapons with effect from **07.10.2022**. Further effective steps may also be taken to unearth un-licensed weapons and seize the same.
- (IV) Arrangement must be made for deployment of adequate number of police personnel at each polling station and near each polling station and also in sensitive areas.
- (V) Adequate number of wireless sets must 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 checks may be carried out to prevent men and vehicles moving with arms and ammunition.
- (VII) Thorough checking of Lorries, trucks and other vehicles must 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 must be imposed and instructions may be issued to regulate vehicular traffic and plying of vehicles on the 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 instructed to issue necessary orders in this regard.

3. I have further been directed to request you to issue necessary orders and instructions with regard to the points mentioned above to the concerned offices immediately under intimation to the State Election Commission.

Yours faithfully,

Assistant State Election Commissioner for State Election Commissioner, Haryana Panchkula.

No.SEC/4E-II/2022/3192-3219

Dated: 7th October, 2022

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

- 1. Director General of Police, Haryana, Chandigarh.
- 2. A.D.G.P/Law and Order, Haryana, Panchkula.
- 3. Divisional Commissioner, Ambala, Gurugram, Rohtak, Hisar, Karnal and Faridabad.
- 4. The Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer (Panchayat) Bhiwani, Fatehabad, Jhajjar, Jind, Kaithal, Mahendergarh, Nuh, Panchkula, Panipat and Yamuna Nagar.
- 5. The Police Commissioner/Superintendent of Police posted in district Bhiwani, Fatehabad, Jhajjar, Jind, Kaithal, Mahendergarh, Nuh, Panchkula, Panipat and Yamuna Nagar.

38

Assistant State Election Commissioner for State Election Commissioner, Haryana Panchkula.