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To

All the Deputy Commissioners-cum-  
District Election Officers (Panchayat)  
In the State of Haryana.

**Subject: -** Clarification on educational qualification and security deposit by the candidates of reserved category if they contest from unreserved seat-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I have been directed to refer to the above subject and to say that queries are being made by the field officials; if the candidate belongs to reserved category contest election from un-reserved seat should have educational qualification and security deposits prescribed for un-reserved category or they can contest on the basis of relaxed education qualification and security deposits.

2. In this regard your attention is invited towards section 175 of the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 and rule 28 of Haryana Panchayati Raj Elections Rules, 1994 which provides the provisions of educational qualification and security deposits for contesting candidates for the post of Panches and Sarpanches of Gram Panchayats and members of Panchayat Samitis and Zila Parishads. It is further informed that relaxation in educational qualification to the candidates belongs to women, scheduled caste and schedule caste women and relaxation in security deposits to the candidate belongs to scheduled caste, backward classes and women has been given. It is also informed that there is no restriction in the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 and the rules there under to contest the election by the candidates of reserved categories from the un-reserved seats on the basis of relaxed education qualification and security deposits.

3. You are requested to issue necessary instructions to all concerned accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

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