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

Subject: - Requirement of Domicile Certificate, Antecedents/Character Verification and No Dues Certificate by the Candidates of General Election of Panchayati Raj Institutions 2022-clarification.

Sir/Madam,

I have been directed to refer to the above subject and to inform you that it has come to the notice of the State Election Commission, Haryana that the Returning Officers in some districts are asking the candidates to submit antecedents/character verification from the local police and also domicile certificate along with the nomination form, resulting into unnecessary inconvenience to them.

2. In this regard it is informed that no antecedents/character verification is required from the local police for filing nominations for any of posts of Panch, Sarpanch, Member of Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad.

3. It is further informed that every contesting candidate is required to submit 'No Dues Certificate' only in favour of the candidate issued by UHBVN/DHBVN, Primary Agriculture Co-operative Society, District Central Co-operative Bank and District Primary Co-operative Agriculture Rural Development Bank.

4. It is further informed that there is also no requirement of submission of domicile certificate with the nomination form by the contesting candidates. Only name of the candidate is required to be there in the voters list of the concerned Gram Panchayat, Panchayat Samiti or Zila Parishad for which he/she is contesting the election.

5. The above instructions must be brought to the notice of the Commissioner of Police, Superintendent of Police and all the Returning Officers/Assistant Returning Officers immediately for strict compliance. These instructions must also be given wide publicity through print and electronic media. A copy of these instructions must also be displayed on the Notice Boards in the offices of DC, ADC, SDO (Civil), CEO, Zila Parishad, Tehsildars, BDPOs and DIPROs in the district.

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

Yours faithfully,