OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE (NORTH WEST): DELHI Office of the Chairman: Election Committee (RCBA Election- 2024), Rohini, Delhi.

2891-93 No. /RCBA Elec.-2024/Genl./2024

Dated: - 10.03.2025

To,

The Chairperson, Election Commission / Returning Officer, Rohini Court Bar Association
Lawyers Chamber Block, Ground Floor,
Rohini Courts, Delhi.

Subject: Removal of election related posters, hoardings etc., from inside and outside court premises and further prohibiting holding parties/bhandaras inside the court complex, in this regard.

Sir,

A letter dated 05.03.2025 has been received from the Secretary, Bar Council of Delhi (copy enclosed), pursuant to which, it is once again reiterated to strictly comply with the directions contained in the judgment i.e. WP (C) 10363/2021 titled as Lalit Sharma & Ors. v. Union of India & Ors., wherein, it is categorically held that:

"37. To ensure purity in election and to curb use of money power, this Court directs that the prospective candidates will not install hoardings or paste posters or host parties to further their electoral prospects. The candidates would have permission to hold physical and virtual meetings and could use WhatsApp or social media to propagate their ideas and thoughts concerning improvements that he/she propose to bring about in the best interest of the legal fraternity."

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"38(vi) To ensure purity in elections and to curb use of money power, this Court prohibits hosting of election parties, printing of posters and erection of hoardings."

It has been pointed out that despite the aforesaid restrictions, there is rampant display of posters, hoardings etc., inside and outside the court premises, holding parties/bhandaras etc. have been observed, which is against the professional ethics and amounts to defying the directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi.

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Therefore, you are hereby requested to take necessary steps for removal of these hoardings/posters etc., inside and outside the court premises immediately by issuing necessary circulars/notices and directing the advocates not to resort to erecting hoardings, pasting posters and holding parties / bhandaras etc.

You are also requested to issue the circular to the effect that, in case, anyone defies the above said directions, and, in case, any Bar Association reports the matter to the Bar Council of Delhi along with the proof, the Bar Council of Delhi shall take steps for permanent removal of the licence to practice of such advocate(s) and action shall also be initiated for debarring such candidates from contesting the elections.

This is for your kind intimation and necessary action.

Regards

(DR. VIJAY KUMAR DAHIYA)

Judge In Charge, Mediation Centre cum Chairman, Election Committee, RCBA-2024 Rohini Courts, Delhi

Officer In charge, Computer Branch for uploading the same on the Website of Rohini Courts.

^{2.} Officer In charge, Caretaking Branch for getting removed the hoardings/posters from inside and around the Rohini



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Ref. No.: 45/Gen/SF/2025

Dated: 05.03.2025

Ld. Principal District & Sessions Judge, Rohini Courts, Delhi-110085.

Subject: Removal of election related posters, hoardings etc. from inside and outside court premises and further, prohibiting holding parties/ bhandaras inside the court complex, in this regard.

Request for immediate compliance

Respected Sir,

As per the directions issued by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, in its judgement dated 19.03.2024 in Writ Petition (Civil) 10363/2021 titled Lalit Sharma & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Ors., read with Part-VI, Chapter-II, Section-IV Clause 36 of Bar Council of India Rules, erecting hoardings, pasting posters and holding parties/bhandaras with respect to the forthcoming elections to be held by the respective Bar Associations, are strictly prohibited. The essential ratio of the judgment pertaining to the hoardings is as under:

"To ensure purity in election and to curb use of money power, this Court directs that the prospective candidates will not install hoardings or paste posters or host parties to further their electoral prospects. The candidates would have permission to hold physical and virtual meetings and could use WhatsApp or social media to propagate their ideas and thoughts concerning improvements that he/she propose to bring about in the best interest of the legal fraternity."

Despite the aforesaid restrictions, it has been noticed that there is rampant display of posters, hoardings etc. inside and outside the court premises, holding parties/bhandaras etc. which is against professional ethics and amounts to defying the directions of the Court.

You are, therefore, requested to take necessary steps for removal of these hoardings, posters etc. inside and outside the court premises immediately by issuing necessary circulars/notices, directing the advocates not to resort to erecting hoardings, pasting posters and holding parties/bhandaras etc. In case anyone defies the directions of the Bar Association, the Bar Association may report the name of that concerned advocate(s), with proof to the Bar Council of Delhi, and the Bar Council of Delhi shall take steps for permanent removal of the licence to practice of such advocate(s) and action shall also be initiated for debarring such candidates from contesting the election.

With regards,

प्रभाश न्यायाधीश Judge Incharge स्टो मध्यपना केन्द्र, क्रम्या नं, 403, स्टेन्ट ini Natiation Contre 879ए भेट

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