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From

Shri R.N. Sahu, IAS
Secretary.

To

All District Magistrates.

Sub: General Elections to ULBs,2022- **Clarification on the status of Councillor nominated by the State Government.**

Ref: No Ele.55/08-15201/HUD dated 30th May 2003

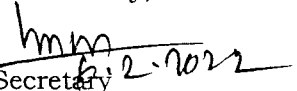
Madam/Sir,

In inviting a reference to subject cited above I am directed to say that during Elections to ULBs,2008 the Housing and Urban Development Department in consultation with the Law Department have clarified that nominated Councillor by the State Government is not eligible to participate in elections to the Office of Chairperson. At that time elections to Chairperson was conducted indirectly by the Councilors from among themselves.

In the meantime, Govt. in H and UD have amended the Odisha Municipal Act,1950 that the office of the Chairperson of ULBs and Mayor of Municipal Corporations will be elected in direct election.

In view of the said amendment, the above clarification is applicable only for Vice Chairperson/Deputy Mayor election and the Commission directs that the above clarification issued by H and UD Department be construed accordingly .

Yours faithfully,


Secretary