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/SEC.,

Date 12.02.2022

From

Sri R. N. Sahu, IAS
Secretary.

To

All Collectors
All Superintendents of Police
All DCP

Sub:- General Elections to PRIs 2022.- **Restrictions on presence of political functionaries in the Constituency after campaign period is over.**

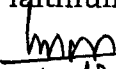
Ref: **Commission's letter No 1624 dated 31.01.2017**

Madam/Sir,

In inviting a reference to the letter on the subject cited above I am directed to say that the Commission's instruction as referred to above shall made applicable for the ensuing General Elections to PRIs, 2022. (Copy enclosed)

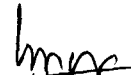
The instructions shall be followed scrupulously.

Yours faithfully,


Secretary 12.2.2022

Memo No **2731** /Date 12.02.2022

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Secretary 12.2.2022

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No. 1624/SEC.,

Date 31.1.2017

From

**Shri R.N. Sahu,
Secretary.**

To

All Collectors /Superintendent of Police.

Sub : **Election to Panchayati Raj Institutions - Restrictions on presence of political functionaries in the Constituency after the campaign period is over.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to say that during simultaneous election to Panchayati Raj Institutions all canvassing or propaganda, public meetings, use of loudspeakers at any public place by any candidate within the local area of the Grama Panchayat is prohibited before thirty-six hours of commencement of the poll. As such soon after the campaign period is over any form of campaign is prohibited.

During the course of campaign in elections to Panchayati Raj Institutions, the Political Parties mobilize their supporters including the supporters from outside the area going for the poll in order to bolster that campaign. Since no campaign can take place after closure of campaign period, presence of political functionaries/party workers/campaign functionaries etc. who have been brought from outside the area going for the poll and who are not voters of that polling area should not continue to remain present in the polling area as their continued presence after the campaign ends may undermine the atmosphere for free and fair poll.

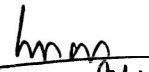
Therefore, the Commission in exercise of powers conferred under Article 243-K of the Constitution of India and in order to ensure free and fair poll directs the District Administration including the Police Administration to

ensure that the aforesaid functionaries leave the area going for poll soon after the campaigning period ends. This shall be brought to the notice of all Political Parties, candidates and their agents for strict compliance.

All concerned should be informed accordingly for strict compliance.

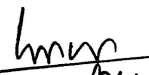
The above instruction is also applicable for all by-elections to Panchayati Raj Institutions.

Yours faithfully,


Secretary 31.1.17

Memo No. 1625/SEC., Date 31.1.2017

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Secretary 31.1.17