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From:

Shri B. K Dash, IAS Secretary.

To

The Principal Secretary to Govt., Home Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar

Sub: General Elections to Attabira and Hindol NACs, 2023 - **Prohibition of going armed to or near Polling Station.**

Sir,

I am directed to say that the State Election Commission has notified the poll schedule for ensuing General Elections to Attabira and Hindol NACs (Copy enclosed) and election will be held on **03.04.2023** from 8 AM to 5 PM. The campaign period will end at 5 P.M of **01.04.2023** and counting of votes and declaration of result shall take place on **05.04.2023**.

In the interest of free and fair election, the State Election Commission has directed that during the period from 01.04.2023 (5.00 PM) to 05.04.2023 (5.00 PM) no person other than Police Officers and any other person appointed to maintain law and order at a Polling Station shall go armed as defined in the Arms Act, 1959 of any kind within the neighbourhood of Polling Station or Counting Hall of these Urban Local Bodies.

It is requested that necessary orders may be issued to concerned authorities for enforcement of this prohibition.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary

Memo No. 444 /SEC., Date: 28/02/2023

Copy forwarded to OSD to Chief Secretary, Odisha/ Principal Secretary to Govt., Housing and Urban Development Department, Odisha for information and necessary action.

Secretary

Memo No. 748 /SEC., Date: 28/02/2028
Copy forwarded to D.G. & I.G. of Police, Odisha, Cuttack/All Range DIG of Police/ District Magistrate/Superintendent of Police Bargarh and Dhenkanal for information and necessary action.

Memo No. 749/SEC., Date: 28/02/2023

Copy forwarded to all Political Parties for information and necessary action.

Secretary