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Lok Sabha Elections-2014 Urgent/Email/Through Messenger

Election Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh 38-SDA Complex, Kasumpti, Shimla-9

No: 3-7/2014-ELN ~ /39/

Dated: 98th March, 2014.

From:

Chief Electoral Officer, Himachal Pradesh.

To

- 1. The Chief Secretary to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002.
- The Addl. Chief Secretaries, Government of Himachal Pradesh Shimla-171002.
- The Addl. Chief Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002.
- All Administrative Secretaries to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002.
- All Heads of Departments, Stationed at Shimla.
- Divisional Commissioner, Shimla/Kangra/Mandi.
- 7. All Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.
- The State Information Officercum-Technical Director, National Informatic Centre(NIC) H.P. Secretariat, Shimla-2.

Subject:- Model Code of Conduct- Ban on Video-Conferencing Sir/Madam,

I am to enclosed herewith a copy of Commission's letters No. 437/6/INST/2014-CC&BE, dated 18th March, 2014, on the subject cited above, for information and necessary action. In this regard, the Commission has decided that in the immediate aftermath of any calamity of significant scale/magnitude, if video-conferencing is considered essential then Chief Minister or Minister concerned may hold one video-conferencing with the officials concerned subject to the conditions as detailed in the Commission's aforesaid letter.

You are, therefore, requested to adhere to the Commission's aforesaid instructions strictly during the period of Model Code of Conduct.

Yours faithfully,

(Narinder Chauhan) Chief Electoral Officer, Himachal Pradesh.

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Endst.No.3-7/2014-ELN, 139/ Dated:

Dated:Shimla-171009, March, 2014.

Copy, alongwith a copy of Commission's aforesaid letter is forwarded to:-

- 1. The Secretary to the Hon'ble Governor, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
- 2. Private Secretaries to the Hon'ble Cabinet Ministers, Himachal Pradesh Government, Shimla.
- 3. The Secretary, Vidhan Sabha for information of Hon'ble Speaker & Deputy Speaker, Himachal Pradesh Vidhan Sabha.
- 4. The Chairman/Managing Director of all Boards/Corporation/Undertaking, Himachal Pradesh.
- 5. The Vice Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla-5/ Dr. Y.S. Parmar Horticulture and Forestry University, Nauni, Solan/Chaudhary Sarvan Kumar Agriculture University, Palampur.
- 6. All Hon'ble Members of Parliament/MLAs Himachal Pradesh.
- 7. The Mayor/Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Shimla.
- 8. The Director, Information and Public Relations, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
- 9. All Returning/ Assistant Returning Officers in Himachal Pradesh.
- 10. All recognized and unrecognized Political Parties, Himachal Pradesh.
- 11. All Heads of Departments/Offices of Central Government, Himachal Pradesh.

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Chief Electoral Officer, Himachal Pradesh,

Copy to Section-I/Computer Cell/Complaint/Clarification & Permission/L & O Seats and Private Secretary to CEO and Nodal Officer for Media for information and necessary action.

Directorate of Hr. Education Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No. EDN-HE(1)B(15)6/2009-Election. Dated Shimla – 171001 the LIYI20HY Copy for information and further necessary action is forwarded to:-

- The Chief Electoral Officer Shimla-9 w.r.t. letter No.3-13/2014-ELN-1391, dated 28th March. 2014 for information please.
- 2. The Principal Secretary (HE) to the Govt. of H.P. for information please.
- 3. The Addl. Director of Hr. Education (Adm.), H.P.
- 4. The Addl. /Joint Director of Hr. Education (C), C-I/ C-II), H.P.
- 5. The OSD (C) (Skt.) Director of Hr. Education, H.P.
- 6. The Joint Controller (F&A). Dte. of Hr. Education, H.P.
- 7. All the Principals of Govt: Degree /B.ed /SKT Colleges in the H.P.
- 8. All the Deputy Directors of Hr. Education in the Pradesh with the remarks that same letter be circulated to all institutions under your control.
- 9. The Group Commander, NCC Group Headquarter Shimla H.P.
- 10. The Chief Librarian, Centre State Library Solan H.P.
- 11. All the Branch officer/Supdts. in this Directorate H.P.
- 12. The PS to the Director of Higher Education, H.P.
- 13. The Technical Officer, Dte. of Hr. Education, H.P. (for the uploading on deptt. Website).
 - 14. Guard File.

suBirector Higher Educations Hemachal Badesh.

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001.

No.437/6/INST. /2014-CC&BE

Dated:

18th March, 2014

To

- (i) The Chief Secretaries of all States and UTs.
- (ii) The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and UTs.



Sub:- Model Code of Conduct- Ban on Video Conferencing.

Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to the Commission's letter No. 437/6/2004- PLN III, dated 30-12-2004, on the above subject. In the said letter, it was directed that during the period of operation of MCC, no video-conferencing shall take place between the Chief Minister/Ministers/ political functionaries of the Union and State Govts. with the officials.

2. The Commission has re-considered the matter in the light of certain requests to permit video-conferencing to assess/monitor situation in the event of natural calamity. The Commission has decided that in the immediate aftermath of any calamity of significant scale/magnitude, if video-conferencing is considered essential, then Chief Minister or Minister concerned may hold one video-conferencing with the officials concerned subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) The CEO of the State shall be approached by the Department concerned and approval of the CEO should be obtained before holding the VC. For any subsequent VC, permission from the Commission shall be obtained;
- (ii) Only the Collector/District Magistrate and senior officials in charge of the relief in connection with the natural calamity of the area concerned alone shall be called to attend the video-conferencing;
- (iii) No issue other than rescue/relief and other aspects connected to the calamity shall be discussed in the VC;
- (iv) No publicity whatsoever shall be given for the VC, either before or after the

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INSTRUCTION SL. NO. 73

ECl letter No.437/6/INST/2011-CC&BE Dated: 01st April, 2011 addressed to the Cabinet Secretary, New Delhi, Chief Secretaries of all States and UTs and Chief Electoral Officers of all States and UTs

Subject:- Tours of Chief Ministers- reg

In partial modification of the Commission's instructions contained in Para (2) of its letter of even number dated 24th March, 2011, regarding the tours of Chief Ministers, the Commission has decided that during the Model Code period, one member of personal staff of Chief Minister of the State/Union Territory, who has been allowed to accompany him on personal/private tour should be a **non-gazetted** officer. Further, as already instructed, such personal staff shall not take part in any political activity or assist the Chief Minister in his political work.

The Commission has also decided that these instructions will be applicable also in the case of the Prime Minister/Union Cabinet Ministers.