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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS.F) DEPARTMENT

Memo No.217/Elecs.F/2014-7,

Dated:10.03.2014.

Sub:- Affidavit filed by the Candidates – Dissemination thereof – ECI instructions – Communicated – Reg.

Ref:- E.C.I. Lr.No.3/ER/2013/SDR Vol.V, dt:3rd March, 2014.

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A copy of the reference cited is communicated to all the Collectors and District Election Officers and the Special Commissioner, G.H.M.C. & D.E.O., Hyderabad and they are requested to follow the instructions regarding "**Affidavits filed by candidates – Dissemination thereof**" issued by the Election Commission of India in the reference cited.

These instructions shall also be communicated to all the Returning Officers / Asst. Returning Officers / SDMs and all concerned election officials for Strict compliance.

V. VENKATESWRA RAO,
ADDL. CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER &
JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
All the District Collectors & District Election Officers (w.e.)
The Special Commissioner, GHMC & District Election Officer,
Hyderabad (w.e.)

Copy to:

All the Returning Officers / Asst. Returning Officers for Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies and SDMs.

through the District Election Officer concerned (w.e.)
S/F.

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SECTION OFFICER


ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. 3/ER/2013/SDR Vol. -V

Dated: 3rd March, 2014

To,

The Chief Electoral Officers of
all States and Union Territories.

Sub: Affidavits filed by candidates –dissemination thereof.

Sir/Madam,

As per the existing instructions of the Commission, the affidavits filed by the candidates with the nomination paper are uploaded on the website of the CEO and full hard copies of affidavits are displayed on the notice board of the Returning Officer for dissemination of information. In case the office of the ARO is at a place different from the office of the RO, then a copy each of the affidavits is also displayed on the notice board in the ARO's office. If the offices of both RO and ARO are outside the territorial limits of the constituency, copies of the affidavits are to be displayed at a prominent public place within the constituency. Further, if any one seeks copies of the affidavits from the RO, copies are to be supplied.

2. There have been demands from different quarters seeking wider dissemination of the information declared in the affidavits filed by contesting candidates, for easier access to the electors. Accordingly, views of the CEOs were sought in this regard. The responses received from the various Chief Electoral Officers have been considered by the Commission. The response received from CEOs showed that most of the CEOs are in favour of displaying the abstracts part of the affidavit, as given in PART-II of the affidavit in Form 26, in different public offices in the constituency.

3. The Commission after due consideration of the matter has decided that for wider dissemination of information, apart from the existing mode of dissemination of information, as mentioned in para 1 above, the Abstract Part-II of the affidavit (given in Part B of Form 26) filed by the contesting candidates shall be displayed at specified additional public offices, such as (1) Collectorate, (2) Zila Parishad Office, (3) SDM Office, (4) Panchayat Samiti office (i.e. Block Office), (5) office of Municipal Body or bodies in the constituency (6)Tahsil/Taluka office, and (7) Panchayat office. This shall be done within 5 days of the date of withdrawal of candidature. In the Collectorate and Zila Parishad Office, abstracts of affidavits of all candidates in all constituencies in the District shall be displayed. All abstracts of one constituency should be displayed together and not in scattered manner. Similarly, if there are more than one constituency in a Sub-Division, all abstracts of all candidates in such constituencies shall be displayed in SDM's office.

Kindly convey these directions to all DEOs, ROs, SDMs etc. for elections to Lok Sabha, Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council constituencies. These instructions will not apply to elections to Council of States and State Legislative Council by MLAs as only elected representatives are electors for these elections.

These instructions shall be followed at all elections to be held hereafter.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,



(N.T. Bhutia)

Under Secretary

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