## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, TELANGANA

South 'H' Block, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

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Sub:- General Elections to Telangana State Legislative Assembly, 2018
- Distribution & Reception Centre – Regarding.

Ref:- 1.Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) For Last 72 hours till counting Document 12, Edition-1 2016 published by ECI.
2.Manual on EVM & VVPAT Edition-3, July 2018 published by ECI.

The attention of all the Collectors & DEOs and the Commissioner, GHMC & D.E.O., Hyderabad is invited to the references cited and they are informed that the Election Commission has published SOP for the last 72 hours till counting in an attempt to encapsulate and enumerate the major activities and actions required to be initiated and implemented by the District Election Officers and Returning Officers during the most critical and crucial period of 72 hours before the poll day.

All the District Election Officers and Returning Officers are therefore requested that the Venue for the Distribution Centre should be carefully selected in advance to cater to the multifarious requirements and arrangements on one day before poll day. It should be located in a premise with spacious area, having good connectivity and preferably, within the constituency area. The safety and security of the venue is paramount must be planned meticulously. It should be free from any possible political or religious association/identity. Efforts must be made to use the existing structures of offices/school/college buildings. Ideally, the Distribution, Reception and Counting Centre should be co terminus for ease of functioning. They are requested to make necessary arrangements in accordance with the instructions and guidelines laid down in the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) For Last 72 hours till counting Document 12, Edition-1 2016 and Manual on EVM & VVPAT Edition-3, July 2018, both the documents are available in the ECI website can be downloaded and supplied to the concerned.

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To All the Collectors & District Election Officers in the State. Commissioner, GHMC and DEO, Hyderabad. Copy to the SPs / ROs through DEO concerned. SF/Spare.

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