OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, TELANGANA GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTTONS) DEPARTMENT

5th Floor, North Block, Buddha Bhavan, Tank Bund Road, Secunderabad- 500 003

Memo No.70/Elecs.D/2022-15,

Dated:05.03.2022

Sub:- Elections-Election Commission of India Instructions - Affidavits filed by candidates with their nomination paper- uploading on website-Communicated – Regarding.

Ref:- ECI Letter No. 3/ER/2022/SDR, Dated: 26.02.2022.

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A copy of the reference cited wherein ECI has issued certain instructions regarding uploading of Affidavits filed by candidates along with their nomination paper on Commission's website is sent herewith to the Commissioner GHMC & District Election Officer, Hyderabad, all the Collectors & District Election Officers in the State and the Returning Officers of 119 Assembly Constituencies and 17 Parliament Constituencies in the State for information and taking necessary action in the matter.

DR BUDDHAPRAKASH JYOTI CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER (FAC) & E.O. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,

The Commissioner GHMC & District Election Officer, Hyderabad. (w.e.)

All the Collectors & District Election Officers in the State (w.e.)

All the Returning Officers of 119 ACs and 17 PCs (w.e.) (through the Collectors & District Election Officers Concerned)

Copy to:

The S.L.A., O/o the C.E.O. (w.e.) for uploading in the CEO's website. SF/SC

//FORWARDED BY :: ORDER//

By speed post/ email

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No.3/ER/2022/SDR

Dated: 26th February, 2022

To,

The Chief Electoral Officer of All States and Union Territories

Sub: - Affidavits filed by candidates with their nomination paper-uploading on websiteregarding

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to Commission's letters no. 3/ER/2020/SDR dated 19th March, 2020 and no. 485/Comp/IT(Project)/Affidavit/2020 dated 5th June, 2020 on the subject cited. It has again come to the notice of the Commission that some Returning Officers are uploading enclosures like Aadhaar etc. alongwith the Affidavit in Form 26 on the Commission's affidavit portal.

Your attention is invited to Sections 37 of the Aadhaar Act, 2016, which provide that displaying Aadhaar data of the persons is a punishable offense.

Therefore, the Commission hereby directs that no documents other than affidavit, which have not been prescribed in the Commission's instructions, shall be uploaded on the Commission's portal. It is also directed that all such uploaded documents which contain Aadhaar details shall be identified and those details shall be either removed or masked from the Commission's portal.

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Yours faithfully. (Abhishek Tiwari)

Abhishek Tiwari) Under Secretary