## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, TELANGANA

South 'H' Block, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

## Memo. No.3154/Elec.D/2018-1

Dated:31.10.2018.

Sub:- General Elections to Telangana Legislative Assembly, 2018 – Restriction on the number of persons who may accompany the candidate for filing the nominations and receiving the certificate of Election – Reg.

Ref:- E.C.I. Letter No.464/INST/2009-EPS, dt.15.5.2009.

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All the Collectors & District Election Officers & Commissioner, GHMC & DEO Hyderabad are informed that the Commission has issued instructions in Hand Book for Returning Officers, 2014 at para 5.11 of Chapter-V wherein the number of Vehicles to be allowed to come within the periphery of 100 meters of the Offices of Returning Officer and Asst. Returning Officers has been restricted to <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/nc.10.2016/">https://doi.org/10.2016/</a> and the no. of persons, who may accompany the candidate to the chamber of the Returning Officer/Assistant Returning Officer at the time of filing of nomination papers has been limited to <a href="mailto:five">five (including the candidate)</a>.

The ECI has also issued instructions in the reference cited regarding restriction on the number of persons who may accompany the candidate for receiving the Certificate of Election. The same has already been communicated from time to time. According to these instructions, only "a maximum of four persons" may accompany the candidate to the office of the Returning Officer for receiving the Certificate.

A Nodal Police Officer shall also be identified immediately to ensure proper compliance of the aforesaid instruction at each of the relevant location.

A copy of the reference cited is once again sent herewith to all the Collectors & D.E.Os., & Commissioner, GHMC & DEO Hyderabad and requested to bring these instructions to the notice of all concerned i.e., Returning Officers / Asst. Returning Officers and the Nodal Police Officer concerned for strict compliance. The above instructions are not exhaustive. For detailed instructions the Hand Book for Returning Officers, other Hand Books and latest instructions of the E.C.I. issued from time to time should be referred and followed.

DR.RAJAT KUMAR, CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFFICER & E.O. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

All the Collectors & Dist. Election Officers, (w.e.)

The Commissioner, GHMC & DEO Hyderabad (w.e.)

Copy to:

All the Returning Officers of Assembly Constituencies (w.e.) through the D.E.O., concerned.

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SECTION OFFICER

## **ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

## 464/INST/2009-EPS

To

Dated: 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2009

The Chief Electoral Officers of All States and Union Territories

Subject: Restriction on the number of persons who may accompany the candidate for receiving the certificate of Election.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to say that the Commission has issued instructions restricting the number of persons who may accompany the candidate to the chamber of the returning officer at the time of filing of nomination paper. It has been suggested that similar restriction in connection with receiving of the certificate of election would be helpful in controlling crowd.

The Commission has considered the matter and has directed that when the candidates come for the receiving certificate of election also, only a maximum of four persons may accompany the candidate to the office of the Returning Officer.

A Nodal Police Officer shall also be identified immediately to ensure proper compliance of the aforesaid instruction at each of the relevant location.

This shall be brought to the notice of all the concerned including candidates for strict compliance.

Yours faithfully

(SUMIT MUKHERJEE)
UNDER SECRETARY