

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, TELANGANA
South 'H' Block, Secretariat, Hyderabad-500022

C.No.4019/Elecs./A2/2018-1,

Dated:08.11.2018

NOTICE

Whereas, the schedule for holding the General Election to the Telangana State Legislative Assembly was announced by the Election Commission of India and the Model Code of Conduct is in operation.

Whereas, it has come to the notice of this Office that you, while campaigning in Gajwel Constituency on 03.11.2018, uttered personal allegation against Sri T.Harish Rao, Minister for Irrigation in Caretaker Government stating that he has called to you for help in defeating his uncle i.e., Sri K.Chandrashekar Rao, since he is not encouraging him in politically and damaging his image, duly encouraging his son (Sri K.T.Rama Rao). You also stated that Sri Harish Rao offered you financial support and he will also touch with Rahul Gandhi for joining in Congress party.

Whereas, aforesaid statements and announcements prima facie violate provisions of Model Code of Conduct (MCC) for the guidelines of political parties and candidates i.e., Para (1) General Conduct, which inter-alia, provides as under:-

1. General Conduct - No party or candidate shall include in any activity which may aggravate existing differences or create mutual hatred or cause tension between different castes and communities, religious or linguistic.
2. Criticism of other political parties, when made, shall be confined to their policies and programme, past record and work. Parties and Candidates shall refrain from criticism of all aspects of private life, not connected with the public activities of the leaders or workers of other parties. Criticism of other parties or their workers based on unverified allegations or distortion shall be avoided.

Whereas, the statement also attracts the provisions of Sec. 153 A and 505 of the Indian Penal Code and Sec.125 of Representation of People Act, and

Now, before proceeding further in the matter, it is decided to afford you an opportunity to explain in the matter within (48) hours from the receipt of the notice and directed to explain as to why action should not be taken against you for aforesaid violation of Model Code of Conduct and the other Acts.

If no reply is received within the prescribed time limit, it will be presumed that you have nothing to say and will be proceeded to take appropriate action without any further reference to you.


**for CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER &
E.O. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVT.**

To:
Sri V.Prathap Reddy,
Congress Leader,
Gajwel Constituency (through DEO concerned).

Copy to:
The DEO & Collector, Siddipet to serve a copy to the individual with proper acknowledgement and seek the reply and furnish within stipulated time.