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**ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

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To

The President/General Secretary

1. All National Parties
2. All State Parties
3. All Un-Recognized Parties

Sub:- Filing of part election expenditure statement attributed to candidates by political parties within 30 days of declaration of results of elections-Reg.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letter no. 76/EE/2012-PPEMS, dated 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2013, and letter no. 76/PPEMS/Transparency/2013, dated 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2014 (copies enclosed), and to state that the Political parties have to file their "Statement of Election Expenditure" within 75 days/90 days of completion of the general election to the Legislative Assembly/Lok Sabha before the Election Commission of India (in the case of National and State Parties) or the Chief Electoral Officer of the State (in the case of unrecognized parties where party headquarter is situated).

2. The total of the expenditure of which account is to be kept under section 77 of the R.P. Act 1951 and which is incurred or authorised in connection with an election in a State or Union Territory has been prescribed under Rule 90 of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961. Generally, the political party contributes/donates, either in cash or in kind to the candidates set up by them during election for their election expenditure and the candidates have to show such expenditure in their statements. For the sake of transparency and reconciliation of accounts of political parties and candidates, and in exercise of powers vested under Article 324 of Constitution in the Commission, it has been decided that the political parties have to file (i) a part statement, in addition to (ii) the final statement of election expenditure required to be filed by the parties as above (within 75 days/90 days of completion of the general election to the Legislative Assembly/Lok Sabha), in respect of the lump sum payments made by the party to the candidate, within 30 days after declaration of results of elections to Legislative Assembly/Lok Sabha in the format prescribed at Annexure-A, before the Election Commission of India (in case of National and State Parties) or the Chief Electoral Officer of the State (in case of unrecognized parties where party headquarter is situated).

3. It is reiterated that election expenditure attributed to the candidates by the Political Parties should be certified by the Chartered Accountants, as referred to in para 3(i) of the Commission's letter no. 76/PPEMS/Transparency/2013, dated 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2014 (mentioned above and annexed).
4. Kindly acknowledge the receipt of this letter.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(S. K. RUDOLA)

SECRETARY

Copy to Political Party Expenditure Monitoring Section (PPEMS) and SDR Section

### Annexure A

Name of the Party:

Whether Recognized: ----- (Yes Or No)

Name of the Election:

Date of Announcement of Election:

Date of Completion of Election:

Total lump sum payment(s) to Candidate(s) of the party or other candidate(s) if, any authorized incurred by Party either in cash or by instruments like –cheque /DD/PO/RTGS/Fund Transfer etc. If political party makes payment(s) to candidate(s) on more than one occasion then date wise details are to be mentioned.

Sl. No.	Name of the State/ No. and Name of the Assembly and /or Parl. Constituency	Name of Candidate	Date(s) of payment	Cash amount	Cheque /DD/PO/ RTGS/Fund Transfer etc.	Total ( 5+6)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.						
2.						
3....						
<b>Grand Total</b>						

Date:

Signature (Treasurer of the Political Party)

Note: Separate annexures may be filed for payments made /authorized by central headquarters of a party, or by State units.