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To

- 1. The all Head of Departments/Offices in District Jind.
- 2. The DIPRO, Jind.

Memo. No. Elect-2024/517

Date: 16-03-2024

Subject:

General Election to the Lok Sabha, 2024 - Guidelines regarding the conduct of Government Servants during elections.

General Election to the Lok Sabha, 2024 has been announced on 16-03-2024 Model Code of Conduct has come into force from the very date of announcement of such Election. During Election process the conduct of all Govt. employees should not only be impartial but should also appear to be so in relation to the elections. They are required to conduct them-selves in such a manner as to inspire confidence in the public in regard to their impartiality so that there might not be any occasion for the people to think that the elections would not be held in a free fair & pure atmosphere. All Govt. employees must avoid giving room for any suspicion that they are favoring any party or any candidate. No Govt. employee is expected to take part in any election campaign or canvassing and they should take scrupulous care not to lend their names, official position or authority to assist one individual as against another or one group as against another.

The Hon'ble Election Commission of India has issued instruction in this regard time and again which must be complied with:

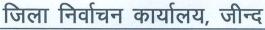
Further attention is also invited to the provision of section 134A of Representation of People Act 1951 which reads as follows:-

"If any person in the service of the Government acts as an election agent or a polling agent or a counting agent of a candidate at an election he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three months with fine, or with both."

Govt. Employees Civil Service (Conduct) rules of Central & States are also reproduced below for the strict compliance:-

- No Government servant shall be a member of nor be otherwise associated with any political party or any organization which takes part in politics nor shall he take part in, subscribe in aid of, or assist in any other manner, any political movement or activity.
- It shall be the duty of every Government servant to endeavour to prevent any member of his family from taking part in, subscribing in aid of or assisting in any other manner any movement or activity which is, or tends directly or indirectly to be, subversive or

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the Government as by law established and where a Government servent is unable to prevent a member of his family from taking part in, or subscribing in aid of or assisting in any other manner, any such movement or activity he shall make a report to that effect to the Government.

- If any question arises whether a party is a political or whether any organization takes part in politics or whether any movement or activity falls within the scope of sub-rule (2), the decision of the Government thereon shall be final.
- 4 No Government servant shall canvass or otherwise interfere with, or use his influence in connection with or take part in, an election to any legislature or local authority;

Provided that-

- A Government servant qualified to vote at such election may exercise his right to vote, but where he does so, he shall give no indication of the manner in which he proposes to vote or has voted:
- A Government servant shall not be deemed to have contravened the provisions of this sub-rule by reason only that he assists in the conduct of an election in the due performance of duty imposed on him by or under any law for the time being in force.

Explanation: The display by a Government servant on his personal vehicle or residence of any electoral symbol shall amount to using his influence in connection with an election within the meaning of this sub-rule.

Therefore you are directed to ensure compliance of above said instructions both in letter and spirit & get it noted to the all concerned employees working under you in writing. If any non-compliance of these instructions is noticed by you by any of the Govt. employee working under you, strict disciplinary action must be initiated against the concerned under intimation to this office.

Matter most urgent.

Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer, Jind.

Copy: All the ARO of this District.

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