DATE BOUND / IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUIRED

From
Director Higher Education, Haryana,
Shiksha Sadan, Sector-5, Panchkula.

To
1. All Registrars of State/Private Universities in the State.
2. All Principals of Govt. Colleges in the State.
3. All Principals of Aided Colleges in the State.
4. All Principals of Self Financing Colleges in the State.

Memo No. 1/2-2019 Co. (1)
Dated Panchkula, the 14.9.2019

Subject: Immediate action to be taken for enforcement of Model code of conduct after the announcement of ensuring Haryana Vidhan Sabha General Elections 2019

Kindly refer to the subject cited above.

I have been directed to forward a copy of letter No. Election-2019/6355-56, dated 30.8.2019 received from District Election Office, Panchkula for immediate compliance.

Encl. : As above.

Deputy Director Coordination
for Director Higher Education, Haryana
Panchkula
Haryana Vidhan Sabha General Election-2019

To

1. All the Heads of Departments/Offices of Haryana Government/Board/Corporations/Central Government offices located in District Panchkula.
2. All Heads of District Level Offices of District Panchkula.

Memo No. Election-2019/6355-S6 Dated: 20.08.19

Subject:- Immediate action to be taken for enforcement of Model code of conduct after the announcement of ensuing Haryana Vidhan Sabha General Elections 2019.

Kindly refer to the subject noted above.

As you are aware the Haryana Vidhan Sabha General Elections-2019 are likely to be held in the month of September/October 2019. As per earlier practice and directions of the Election Commission of India, immediate action is required to be taken for the enforcement of model code of conduct immediately after the announcement of Elections. Some of the actions are detailed as below:-

1. Defacement of Property: Election Commission of India instructions contained in letters, No.437/6/INST/2015-CCS dated 29\(^{th}\) December 2015, No.437/6/INST/2012-CC&BE dated 18\(^{th}\) January 2012 and No.3/7/2008 JS-II dated 7\(^{th}\) October 2008, provide for prevention of defacement of property. Strict Compliance of these instructions are required to be ensured in a time bound manner as mentioned below:

(a). Defacement of Government property:- All wall writing posters/papers or defacement in any other form, cutout/hoardings, banners, flags etc. on
Government property are to be removed within 24 hours from announcement of elections by the Election Commission of India.

(b) Defacement of public property and misuse of public space: All unauthorized political advertisement, in the form of wall writing/posters/papers of defacement in any other form, cutout/hoardings, banners flags etc. at public property and in public space like railway station, Bus stands, Railway Bridges, Roadways, Govt. Buses, Electric/Telephone poles, Municipal/local bodies buildings etc. are to be removed within 48 Hours from the announcement of elections.

(c) Defacement of Private Property: All unauthorized political advertisement displayed at private property and subject to local law and court’s directions, if any are to be removed within 72 hours from the announcement of elections.

2. Misuse of Official Vehicles: As per the Election Commission’s consolidated instructions contained in letter No.464/INST/2014/EPS dated 10th April 2014 among other things provides that there shall be a total ban on use of official vehicle by any political party, candidate or any other person connected with election (except officials performing any election related official duty) for campaigning electioneering or election related travel during elections (subject to certain exception mentioned therein). The expression official vehicle means and shall include, any vehicle used or capable of being used for the purpose of transport, whether propelled by mechanical power or otherwise and will include trucks, lorries, tempos, jeeps, cars, auto rickshaws, e-rickshaws, buses, belonging to Central Government, State Government/UT Administrations, public undertakings of Central/State Government join sector undertakings of Central/State Government, local bodies, municipal corporations, marketing boards, cooperative societies or any other body in which public funds, however small a portion of total are invested. Compliance of these instructions
is required to be ensured within 24 hours of the announcement of the elections.

3. Advertisements at the cost of public exchequer: As per the Election Commission of India instructions contained in letter No.437/6/1/2014-CC&BE dated 5th March 2014 provides that after the announcement of elections by the Commission, at the cost of public exchequer in the newspapers and other media and the misuse of official mass media during the election period for partisan coverage of political news and publicity regarding achievements with a view to furthering the prospects of the party in power shall be scrupulously avoided. No advertisements shall be issued in electronic and print media highlighting the achievements of the Govt. at the cost of public exchequer. If any advertisement has already been released for telecast/broadcasting or publication in the print media, it must be ensured that the telecast/broadcast of such ads on electronic media is stopped forthwith and that no such ad is published in any newspapers, magazines etc., i.e. in print media, from the date of announcement and it should be immediately withdrawn.

4. Photograph of political functionary at official website: ECI instruction contained in letter no.437/6/INST/2014-CC&BE dated 20th March 2014 provides that all references of Ministers, Politicians or political parties available on Central/State Government’s official website shall be removed. All HODs shall take immediate action to remove/hide the photographs of any political functionary from websites of state department.

5. Development/Construction related activities within 72 hours of announcement of elections:- All District Heads shall provide the following list of works for reference in case of validating any complaint on violation of MCC:

   (i) List of work which has already been started on ground.
   (ii) List of fresh work which has not started on ground.
In the light of the instructions to be issued by the Election Commission of India, you are requested to kindly look into the matter personally and ensure that the compliance of the instructions regarding enforcement of model code of conduct of Election Commission of India are complied with meticulously as soon as the elections are announced. Notification/instructions in this regard to be issued by the Election Commission of India will be sent to you immediately after announcement of the elections. You may also visit the ECI website for further reference. You are further requested to send the compliance report on the daily basis by 10.00 am sharp on email address depkl@hry.nic.in and elt_pkl@yahoo.in subsequent to the implementation of model code of conduct.

Endst. No. Election-2019/6357-6363

A copy of above is forwarded to the following Officers for information and necessary action:-
1. Additional Deputy Commissioner-cum- Nodal Officer, MCC, Panchkula.
2. Returning Officer-Cum- SDO(c), Kalka, 01-Kalka Assembly Constituency.
3. Returning Officer-Cum- SDO(c), Panchkula, 02-Panchkula A.C.
4. District Development and Panchayat Officer, Panchkula.
5. District Informatics Officer (NIC), Panchkula.
6. District Information and Public Relation Officer, Panchkula.
7. District Revenue Officer, Panchkula.

Deputy Commissioner -Cum-
District Election Officer,
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