

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS
(PERSONNEL WING)

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No.A.49014/2/2022/DPAR/SS-I(3)

Puducherry, dated: 13.05.2024

I.D. NOTE

Sub: Registering of voters for post-election beneficiary oriented schemes by getting pamphlets or forms filled or conducting surveys for the same purpose through forms or digitally – Reg.

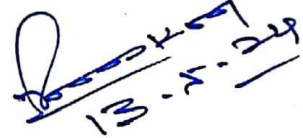
Ref: Letter No.E.47/1/2023-GELS'24-1086 dated 07.05.2024 of the Chief Electoral Officer, Puducherry.

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A copy of the letter cited on the subject mentioned above, which is self-explanatory, is forwarded herewith.

2. All the Secretaries to Government are requested to ensure that the Departments/ Directorates under their control strictly comply with the directions of the Election Commission of India, till the Model Code of Conduct is over.

/ BY ORDER /

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(V. JAISANKAR)
UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

Encl: As stated.

To

All Secretaries to Government,
Puducherry.

Copy to:

1. The Chief Electoral Officer, Puducherry.
2. The District Collector, Puducherry/ Karaikal.

No. E.47/1/2023-GELS'24 - 1086

Puducherry, dt.

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To
The Chief Secretary,
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Sir, *for necessary directions*
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Sub.: Elections – GELS'2024 – MCC – Registering of voters for post-election beneficiary
- oriented schemes by getting pamphlets or forms filled or conducting surveys
for the same purpose through forms or digitally – reg.

Ref.: ECI's letter No. 437/6/INST/ECI/FUNCT/MCC/2024 dated 02.05.2024.

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Adverting to the subject cited, I am to state that the ECI has implemented Model Code of Conduct from 16.03.2024 in connection with General Election to the House of the People, 2024. Announcements such as new projects, programs, concessions, financial grants in any form or promises and laying of foundation stones etc., which will have effect of influencing the voters in favour of the party in power is totally prohibited during the period of MCC.

2. During the ongoing elections the Commission has come across many instances where the political parties and candidates are engaging in activities like conducting surveys and partisan efforts to register beneficiary oriented schemes under the guise of conducting survey or creating awareness etc., Some of the illustrative examples are as below:

- Newspaper add calling individual voters to register himself for benefits by giving missed call.
- Distribution of Guarantee cards in the form of pamphlets asking details of voters, their ration cards, mobile numbers, bank accounts etc.,

3. These exercise carried out by the Political Executives / candidates / their agents appears to be designed to create a one-to-one relationship between the electors and the proposed benefit which may leads to inducement.

4. The Commission has directed all political parties / candidates / their agents or any other person(s) to immediately cease above unlawful activities that involve registering individuals / beneficiary oriented schemes through any advertisement in print, digital and social media platform by collecting their personal data under the pretext of offline/online surveys etc.,

5. In this connection, it is therefore requested to instruct the Revenue / Welfare / Works Departments to refrain from attending any review meetings by Political Executives / candidates, processing of beneficiary-oriented schemes, even if ongoing shall be stopped till the completion of elections and no fresh release of funds on welfare schemes and works shall be made.

Encl.: As above

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Yours faithfully,
[Signature]
(P. JAWANAR, I.A.S.)
CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

Copy to:

- 1) The Secretary (Revenue), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry
- 2) The Secretary (Welfare), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry
- 3) The Secretary (Works), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry
- 4) The District Election Officers, Puducherry/Karaikal

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