MOST IMMEDIATE

Biennial Elections to APLC and TLC

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER& SPL. C.S. TO GOVT., ANDHRA PRADESH AND TELANGANA STATES South 'H' Block, Secretariat, Hyderabad – 500 022

Memo No.975/Elec.B/A1/2017-10,

Dated: 15.02.2017.

Sub: Elections – Biennial elections to Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council from 8 Local Authorities' Constituencies and Telangana Legislative Council from 1 Local Authorities' Constituency scheduled to be held on 17.03.2017 – Deputation of election related officers to Election Commission of India - Instructions - Regarding.

Ref: ECI Press Note No.ECI/PN/14/2017, Dt.06.02.2017.

It is informed that according to Section 20A of Part-IV of the Representation of People Act, 1951, "subject to the superintendence, direction and control of the Chief Electoral Officer, the District Election Officer shall coordinate and supervise all work in the district or in the area within his/her jurisdiction in connection with the conduct of all elections to Parliament and the Legislature of the State". Similarly according to Section 28A of Part-IV of the Representation of People Act, 1951, "the Returning Officer, Assistant Returning Officer, Presiding Officer, Polling Officer, and any other officer appointed under this Part, and any Police Officer designated for the time being by the State Government, for the conduct of any election shall be deemed to be on deputation to the Election Commission for the period commencing on and from the date of the notification calling for such election and ending with the date of declaration of the results of such election and accordingly, such officers shall, during that period, be subject to the control, superintendence and discipline of the Election Commission".

2. In view of the above provisions of the Part-IV of the Representation of People Act, 1951 all the Returning Officers, Assistant Returning Officers, Presiding Officers, Polling Officers, and any other officer appointed under the provisions of Part-IV of the Representation of People Act, 1951 (viz., all Observers, Nodal Officers, members of Model Code of Conduct and Election Expenditure Monitoring Teams, Micro Observers, Booth Level Officers, etc.) and any Police Officer designated for the time being by the State Government, for the conduct of ongoing Biennial elections to Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council from 8 Local Authorities' Constituencies and Telangana Legislative Council from 1 Local Authorities' Constituency scheduled to be held on 17.03.2017 shall be deemed to be on deputation to the Election Commission of India for the period commencing on and from the date of the notification calling for such election (i.e., from 21.02.2017) up to 24.04.2017 (date before which election shall be completed) or the date of declaration of result of the said election, whichever is earlier, and accordingly, all such officers shall, during that period, be subject to the control, superintendence and discipline of the Election Commission of India.

3. The Collectors & District Election Officers of Anantapur, Kadapa, Nellore, West Godavari, East Godavari, Srikakulam, Chittoor and Kurnool districts of Andhra Pradesh State and the Commissioner, GHMC & District Election Officer, Hyderabad are requested to communicate these instructions to all concerned.

BHANWAR LAL CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER & E.O SPL. CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVT.

To

The Collectors & District Election Officers of Anantapur, Kadapa, Nellore West Godavari, East Godavari, Srikakulam, Chittoor and Kurnool districts of Andhra Pradesh State (w.e) The Commissioner, GHMC & District Election Officer, Hyderabad of Telangana State (w.e)

All Returning Officers

All Assistant Returning Officers

All Presiding Officers,

All Polling Officers

All Observers.

All Nodal Officers.

All Members of all Teams constituted under Model Code of Conduct and Expenditure Monitoring

All Micro Observers.

All Booth Level Officers.

Copy to:

The Director General of Police, Police Head Quarters, Andhra Pradesh, Suryaraopet, Vijayawada, Krishna district. With a similar request.

The Director General of Police, Telangana, Hyderabad. With a similar request.

All Officers & Sections in O/o CEO, Hyderabad.

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Through the District Election Officer concerned.

SECTION OFFICER