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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, ANDHRA PRADESH & TELANGANA

South 'H' Block, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Memo No.3056/Elecs.E/A3/2016-6

Sub:- Denovo preparation of Electoral Rolls of 2 Teachers' Constituencies of Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council and 1 Teachers' Constituency of Telangana Legislative Council with reference to 01.11.2016 as the qualifying date – Countersignature by the District Educational Officer or the equivalent officer of the Intermediate / Collegiate Education Department in respect of

Dated: 15.10.2016

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The attention of the District Election Officers & Collectors of Prakasam, Nellore, Chittoor, Kadapa, Anantapur and Kurnool districts of Andhra Pradesh, Mahabubnagar & Ranga Reddy in Telangana and the Commissioner, GHMC & DEO, Hyderabad and the E.R.Os of Prakasam-Nellore-Chittoor Teachers', Kadapa-Anantapur-Kurnool Teachers' and Mahabubngar-Ranga Reddy-Hyderabad Teachers' Constituencies is invited to the reference cited and they are informed that certain Teachers' Unions have represented that the District Educational Officers are not countersigning on the service certificate issued by the Head of the Institutions in connection with the preparation of electoral rolls of Teachers' Constituency stating that no instructions were received in this regard and there is no publicity in the districts.

It is reiterated that in the light of the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Allahabad (Lucknow Bench) dated 5th March 2008, in Writ Petition No. 1269 (M/B) of 2008 (Madhyamik Vitta Viheen Vidyalaya Prabandhak Mahasabha Vs State of Uttar Pradesh), the name of such teacher of unaided private school (if it is covered by the list of specified educational institutions) shall also be included in the electoral roll who intends to get his/her name enrolled in the voter list (i.e. electoral roll) of the Teachers' Constituency and approaches the ERO, after getting a certificate/counter signature from the District Inspector of Schools that he/she is a bonafide teacher of the specified educational institution having the required length of service and, whose standard is not below the standard of the secondary school.

In this regard, instructions were issued to all the District Election Officers / Electoral Registration Officers that the certificate of the Head of the Educational Institution countersigned by the District Educational Officer or the equivalent officer of the Intermediate / Collegiate Education Department in

respect of Intermediate / Degree Colleges / Universities should be considered enough by the ERO to determine the eligibility of the applicant. But, in case of any doubt, the Electoral Registration Officer has to cross-verify with the Heads of the educational institutions for satisfying the eligibility of an applicant on the basis of any record available with the Head of the institutions besides Service Certificate issued by the Head of the Institution.

The Head of the Institution should be cautioned about the penal provisions of R.P.Act, 1950 for giving false information. In case it is found that the Head of the Institution has given false information in the Certificate, action shall be taken against such Head of the Institution under Section 31 of the Representation of People Act, 1950.

All the District Election Officers / Electoral Registration Officers of Teachers' Constituencies are, therefore, requested to bring the above instructions of the Election Commission to all the Heads of Institutions under their jurisdiction / District Educational Officers / the equivalent officers of the Intermediate / Collegiate Education Department in respect of Intermediate / Degree Colleges / Universities. They are also requested to cause wide publicity regarding programme and procedure in connection with the preparation of electoral rolls of council constituencies both in electronic and print media by way of Press Meets / Releases from time to time.

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To

The Collectors & District Election Officers of Prakasam, Nellore, Chittoor, Kadapa, Anantapur and Kurnool districts of Andhra Pradesh, Mahabubnagar & Ranga Reddy districts in Telangana

The Commissioner, GHMC & DEO, Hyderabad

The Electoral Registration Officer, Prakasam-Nellore-Chittoor Teachers' Constituency & District Revenue Officer, Chittoor

The Electoral Registration Officer, Kadapa-Anantapur-Kurnool Teachers'
Constituency & District Revenue Officer, Anantapur

The Electoral Registration Officer, Mahabubnagar-Ranga Reddy-Hyderabad Teachers' Constituency & Addl.Commissioner (Elections), GHMC, Hyderabad

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