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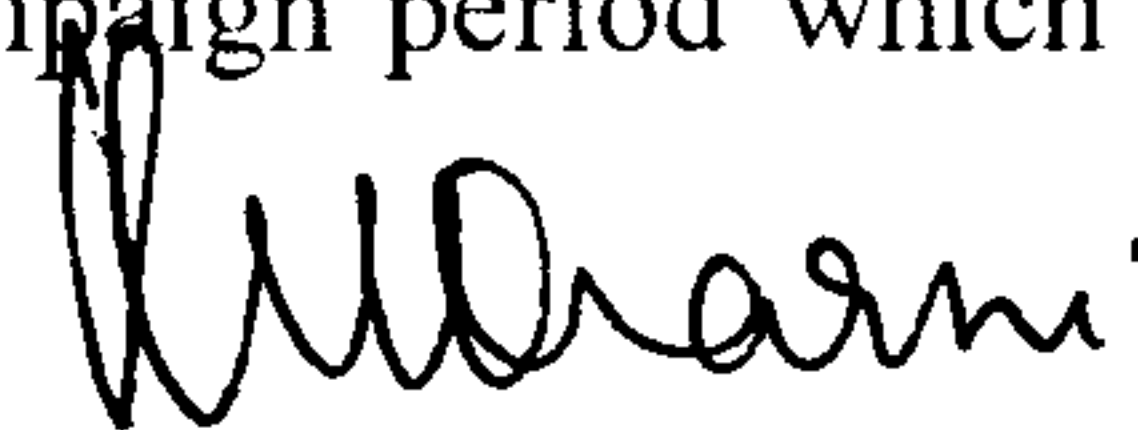
Sub: Establishing a single window system for approval in respect of campaign by candidates/parties.

Ref: 1) ECI letter No.464/DL-LA/2008, dated: 14-11-2008.
2) ECI letter No.76/Instructions/2012/EEPS/Vol.I, dated: 09-02-2012.
3) ECI letter No.464/KT-LA/2013/INST, dated: 30-04-2013.
4) ECI letter No.464/INST/2013-EPS, dated: 08-10-2013.

1. In order to streamline the processes of giving permission for modes of campaigning such as meetings and rallies, it has been decided to have a single-window system of clearance, so as to facilitate the candidates and political parties.
2. This system of single-window clearance will be under the overall supervision of the Deputy Commissioner and the District Magistrates/the Commissioners of Police, as applicable.
3. The Additional District Magistrate (Additional Deputy Commissioner) will be the Nodal Officer in every district. For the cities with Police Commissionerate, the Additional Commissioner (L & O) in Bangalore City and in Commissionerates of Hubli-Dharwad, Mysore and Mangalore, one Deputy Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner of Police as nominated by the Police Commissioners will be the nodal officer.
4. The single window agency will consist of the representatives of Police, local body and Revenue departments. One representative of the Assistant Returning Officer of the area concerned will also be a member.
5. The Deputy Commissioner & District Magistrate will constitute similar single-window systems at the taluk levels under the Tahsildar. Similarly, single-window systems will be created at ACP levels in the Police Commissionerates.
6. The candidate/party should apply to the single window at the right level. If there is a political function/rally at taluk level, the application should be made to the single window agency under the Tahsildar, and if a function/rally has to be held across two or more taluks, then the application should be made to the district level committee under the Additional Deputy Commissioner. Similarly, steps can be taken in Police Commissionerates; depending on the spread of the function/rally application should either be made to ACP or Additional Police Commissioner.

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7. It will be for the single window chairman (Additional DC/Tahsildar or Additional CoP/ACP) to obtain necessary clearances from revenue, local bodies or transport authorities. The candidate or party representative should not be asked to obtain individual clearances.
8. The single window team shall give all clearances for legitimate election campaigning by candidates/parties in a transparent, effective and quick manner.
9. The single window shall not make any separate reference to any election authority for prior concurrence. A representative of the concerned RO/ARO will be a part of the single window committee who will participate in the decision-making.
10. Vehicle permits will be signed and issued by the representative of RO/ARO at the single window itself.
11. A copy of the final clearance given by the single window will be communicated to the concerned ARO by his representative for the purpose of expenditure-monitoring.
12. The single window team should have a standard form/check-list for the convenience of the applicants, covering all aspects such as place of function, route-map, number and particulars of vehicles to be used, loudspeakers, number of expected people, etc.
13. The permission for vehicles to be fitted with loudspeaker is limited to maximum of 4 vehicles for every assembly constituency and one for the candidate.
14. Maximum number of vehicles allowed in a convoy is limited to 10 excluding security vehicles provided by the police department to the candidate and political leader.
15. The above instructions will be applicable only for campaign period which comes to an end 48 hours before the end of poll.



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To,

- 1) The Director General and Inspector General of Police, Nrupathunga Road, Bangalore.
- 2) The Commissioner for Transport, MS Building, Bangalore.
- 3) The Commissioner of Police, Bangalore, Hubli-Dharwad, Mangalore and Mysore.
- 4) The District Election Officer, Bangalore District and Commissioner, BBMP, Bangalore.
- 5) The Additional District Election Officer and Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Urban district, Bangalore.
- 6) The District Election Officers of all districts.
- 7) The Superintendent of Police of all districts.
- 8) The Additional District Election Officers and Addl. Commissioners, BBMP-North, South and Central.
- 9) All National and Recognized Political parties.
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