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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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No. 51/8/NOTA/2013-EMS

Dated: 30th October, 2013

To

The Chief Electoral Officers
of all States and UTs.

Subject: Provision for 'None of the Above' - Regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to state that in supersession of Commission's earlier letter dated 28th October 2013 on the subject cited, the Commission has decided to use a different manner of depiction of the 'None of the Above' option in the ballot paper and the design of the said depiction approved by the Commission is enclosed for necessary action. The depiction approved is a rectangular depiction with rounded corners, with black background and "NOTA" written in capital letters in English. In the case of Assembly elections, as the ballot paper is in pink colour, the word 'NOTA' will be written in pink colour in capital letters, and in the case of Parliamentary elections for which ballot papers are white in colour, the word 'NOTA' will be written in white, in capital letters in English.

This depiction shall be printed in the last panel after the words; "None of the Above" that is to say "None of the Above **NOTA**". The depiction **NOTA** will remain the same in all constituencies whatever be the language of the ballot paper for that constituency, but the words "None of the Above" shall be printed in the language(s) in which the ballot paper are printed. Where the ballot paper are printed in more than one language, the translated versions of the above words "None of the Above" shall be printed in all such languages but the depiction **NOTA** shall be so printed that it appears as one common depiction against all the aforesaid versions of the words "None of the Above".

Yours faithfully,


(Dilip K. Varma)
Under Secretary

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