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सेवा में

प्रदेश अध्यक्ष / महासचिव,

1. आम आदमी पार्टी,

206, राउज एवेन्यू, डी.डी.यू. मार्ग, नई दिल्ली - 110002.

बहुजन समाज पार्टी,
 14 ए, बुद्धा कॉलोनी, पटना

 भारतीय जनता पार्टी, वीरचन्द पटेल पथ, पटना।

 कम्यूनिस्ट पार्टी ऑफ इण्डिया (मार्क्सिस्ट), जमाल रोड, पटना।

 इण्डियन नेशनल काँग्रेस, सदाकत आश्रम, पटना।

 नेशनल पीपुल्स पार्टी, ग्राम+पो०–मलपुर, जिला–जमुई।

जनता दल (यूनायटेड),
 1, वीरचन्द पटेल पथ, पटना।

राष्ट्रीय लोक जन शक्ति पार्टी,
 18, डॉ राजेन्द्र प्रसाद रोड, नई दिल्ली – 110001.

लोक जन शक्ति पार्टी (रामविलास),
 221/A, श्री कृष्णापुरी, चिल्ड्रेन पार्क के नजदीक, बोरिंग रोड, पटना — 800001.

10. राष्ट्रीय जनता दल, वीरचन्द पटेल पथ, पटना।

11. राष्ट्रीय लोक समता पार्टी,

मोहनपुर, पुनाईचक (हड़ताली मोड़ के निकट), बोरिंग कैनाल रोड, पटना।

12. कम्यूनिष्ट पार्टी ऑफ इंडिया (मार्क्सिस्ट—लेनिनिस्ट) (लिबरेशन), रामनरेश राम चन्द्रशेखर, स्मृति भवन, जगत नारायण रोड, कदमकुआँ, पटना — 800003.

विषय :- बिहार विधान सभा आम निर्वाचन, 2025 - निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थियों के अपराधिक पूर्ववृत्त (Criminal Antecedent) के प्रकाशन के संबंध में।

प्रसंग :- भारत निर्वाचन आयोग का पत्रांक 3/4/2025/CAMC/Bihar/LA/Vol. I दिनांक 14.10.2025.

निदेशानुसार उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रसंगिक पत्र का कृपया संदर्भ किया जाये जिसके माध्यम से बिहार विधान सभा आम निर्वाचन, 2025 के निर्वाचन लड़ने वाले अभ्यर्थियों के अपराधिक पूर्ववृत्त (Criminal Antecedent) के प्रकाशन के संदर्भ में भारत निर्वाचन आयोग द्वारा निर्देश जारी किये गये हैं, जो पत्र के साथ संलग्न कर प्रेषित की जा रही है।

अतः निदेशानुसार अनुरोध है कि उक्त पत्र में दिये गये निदेशों का अक्षरशः अनुपालन सुनिश्चित कराने की कृपा की जाये।

अनु० :- यथा उपर्युक्त।

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(अशोक प्रियदर्शी)

उप मुख्य निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी, बिहार।

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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashok Road, New Delhi-110 001

No. 3/4/2025/CAMC/Bihar/LA/Vol. I

Dated: 14th October, 2025

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To,

The Chief Electoral Officer of

- 1. Bihar
- 2. Jammu and Kashmir
- 3. Rajasthan
- 4. Jharkhand
- 5. Telangana
- 6. Punjab
- 7. Mizoram; and
- 8. Odisha

Subject: Publicity of Criminal Antecedents of Candidates - Compliance and Timely Submission of Reports.

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Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letters of even number dated 18.03.2024 and 24.04.2024 (copies enclosed) forwarding consolidated guidelines on "Publicity of Criminal Antecedents of Candidates."

- 2. The Commission, in pursuance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's directions dated 13.02.2020 and 10.08.2021, has issued instructions and prescribed Format C-7, which is required to be published by political parties sponsoring candidates with criminal cases in National and local vernacular newspapers, on their official social media platforms, and on their websites within 48 hours of the selection of the candidate.
- 3. The Hon'ble Supreme Court has further directed that the concerned political party shall submit a compliance report to the Election Commission within 72 hours of the selection of the said candidate. Accordingly, the Commission has prescribed Format C8, which is required to be submitted by the political party to the Election Commission within the stipulated timeframe.
- 4. Further, the Commission has directed the Chief Electoral Officers to obtain information regarding individuals with criminal antecedents who have been selected as candidates by political parties in the elections being held in their respective States, from the concerned Returning Officers, and to furnish the same in Format CA. The

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information in Format CA is required to be submitted to the Commission by the last date for making nominations.

- 5. It is pertinent to mention that the Hon'ble Supreme Court has directed the Election Commission to bring to the notice of the Court promptly any instance of non-compliance by a political party, treating such non-compliance as contempt of the Court's orders/directions, which shall henceforth be viewed very seriously.
- 6. In pursuance of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the Commission, on the basis of documents received from the political parties and the Chief Electoral Officers, prepares a non-compliance report for submission before the Supreme Court.

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- 7. The Commission has announced the General Election to the Legislative Assembly of Bihar and bye-elections to 8 Assembly Constituencies of Jammu and Kashmir, Rajasthan, Jharkhand, Telangana, Punjab, Mizoram and Odisha vide the Election Commission's Press Notes No. ECI/PN/316/2025 and ECI/PN/317/2025 both dated 6th October, 2025 respectively.
- **8.** In order to make the process of monitoring compliance by the political parties and to inform the Supreme Court of non-compliance, if any, by the political party(ies), the requisite documents must be submitted on time. Therefore, you are again requested the following:
 - The Format CA shall be submitted strictly by the last date of making nominations.
 - b) The political party shall submit the compliance report to the Election Commission within 72 hours of the selection of the said candidate. In this regard, any Format C-8 received from any political party may be immediately forwarded to the Commission in original, along with all its enclosures, i.e., original national and local newspapers and copies of publication of Format C-7 on social media platforms, and on the website of the political party.
 - c) In addition, a copy of Form-7A may be sent on the last date of withdrawal of candidature.
 - d) The above documents shall be sent to the <u>Principal Secretary/Sr.Pr. Secretary</u>
 of the <u>Criminal Antecedents Monitoring Cell (CAMC)</u> of the <u>Election</u>
 Commission of India. The email id is <u>camc-eci@eci.gov.in</u>

9. The above may be brought to the notice of the District Election Officers, Returning Officers, Assistant Returning Officers and the all concerned.

Yours faithfully

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(ABHISHEK TIWARI) UNDER SECRETARY

Encl: Commission's letter of even no. dated 18.03.2024 and 24.04.2024.

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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashok Road, New Delhi-110 001

No. 3/4/2024/CAMC

Dated: 18th March, 2024

To,

The Chief Electoral Officers
All States/Union Territories.

Subject: Publication of criminal antecedents by contesting candidates and political parties in pursuance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court decision in WP (C) No. 784 of 2015 (Lok Prahari Vs. Union of India and Others and in WP (C) No. 536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Anr.) and in contempt petition (c) no. 2192 of 2018 in WP (C) no. 536 of 2011 - Guidelines on publicity of criminal antecedents – regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letter No. 3/4/2021/SDR/Vol-III dated 11th January, 2022 forwarding therewith a booklet containing "Guidelines on publicity of criminal antecedents by political parties and candidates".

- 2. The above said guidelines are again forwarded herewith for you information. These are also uploaded on Commission's website (https://www.eci.gov.in) under path 'Instructions' 'View More' 'Year-2022' Sl. No. '45'.
- The guidelines shall be re-circulated to all DEOs/ROs in the State/ Union Territory for necessary action on their part.
- 4. These guidelines shall also be re-circulated to all the political parties based in the State/UT i.e. the State Units of the recognized National parties and recognized State parties of other States and all registered un-recognized National/State political parties with headquarters based in your State/ Union Territory, with instructions to take note of the above directions for strict compliance both by the political parties and their candidates in all elections.
- 5. Further, for all elections, documents pertaining to publicity of criminal antecedents of the candidates i.e. Format-CA, any Format-C8, C7 and Format-C6 shall now be sent to the Pr. Secy/Sr.Pr.Secy of Criminal Antecedents Monitoring Cell only instead of Pr. Secy/Sr.Pr.Secy of concerned Territorial Zone/Biennial Election Division. In addition, a copy of Form-7A of concerned election shall also be sent at the earliest.

- 6. It is reiterated that Format-CA shall be sent to the Commission within prescribed time frame i.e. on last date of making nominations itself.
- 7. Further, any Format-C8 received from Political Parties shall be sent to the Commission immediately, along with all its annexures i.e. proofs of publication of Format-C7 in National Newspaper, Local Newspapers and on their Social Media Platforms and Website.

(ABHISHEK TIWARI) UNDER SECRETARY

Encls :- Guidelines on publicity of criminal Antecedents.

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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashok Road, New Delhi-110 001

No. 3/4/2024/CAMC

Dated: 24th April, 2024

To,

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The Chief Electoral Officers All States/Union Territories.

Subject: Publication of criminal antecedents by contesting candidates and political parties in pursuance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court decision in WP (C) No. 784 of 2015 (Lok Prahari Vs. Union of India and Others and in WP (C) No. 536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Anr.) and in contempt petition (c) no. 2192 of 2018 in WP (C) no. 536 of 2011 - Guidelines on publicity of criminal antecedents – regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letter of even no. dated 18.03.2024 (copy enclosed) forwarding consolidated guidelines on 'Publicity of Criminal Antecedents of Candidates' vide which CEOs have been directed that any Format-C8, C7 received by them shall be sent to the Commission, at the earliest.

- 2. It is stated that as per Commission's aforesaid guidelines issued in pursuance of Hon'ble Supreme Court's order/directions dated 13.02.2020 and 10.08.2021 in the matter of publicity of criminal antecedents of candidates, Political Parties sponsoring candidates with criminal antecedents are required to publish details of criminal antecedents of their sponsored candidates in Format-C7 and thereafter submit a compliance report in Format-C8 to the above effect.
- 3. On the basis of above Format-C8s of Political Parties and its enclosures (proofs of Format-C7 publication), a report regarding any non-compliance of Hon'ble Supreme Court's order/directions dated 13.02.2020 and 10.08.2021 in the matter of 'publicity of criminal antecedents of candidates' is prepared by the Commission, which is then submitted to the Hon'ble Supreme Court.
- 4. The Commission vide its letter no. No. 3/4/2020/SDR/Vol.III dated 06.03.2020 (copy enclosed) has directed all the political parties that their compliance report in Format-C8 shall be sent to the Commission within 72 hours of the selection of the candidate.

However, it has been observed that in certain instances Political Parties are submitting their Format-C8 to the Returning Officer or in CEO Office concerned and not to the Election Commission, directly.

- 5. In furtherance of directions contained in Commission's letter of even no. dated 18.03.2024, it is directed that for all elections, Returning Officer shall ensure that if compliance report in Format-C8 is received by them from any Political Party then such compliance report (Format-C8) along with all its annexures i.e. <u>original Newspapers</u>, Screenshots of Party's Social Media Accounts and Website containing Format-C7 publications shall be sent to the Commission, <u>in original</u>, through concerned CEO Office, at the earliest.
- 6. It is reiterated that if the above documents are received from Political Parties by the CEO Office, then the same shall be sent to the Commission immediately, in original.

Yours faithfully,

(ÅBHISHEK TIWARI) UNDER SECRETARY

- Encl: 1. Commission's letter No. 3/4/2020/SDR-Vol.III dated 18.03.2024.
 - Letter No. 3/4/2020/SDR/VoLIII dated 06.03.2020.
 - 3. Specimen Format-C8 and Format-C7

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