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To

The Chief Electoral Officers of
All States/UTs.

Sub: Counting of Votes – regarding.

Sir,

In continuation to the Commission's earlier letter No. 470/2009/EPS dated 21.01.2009 regarding counting of votes, I am directed to say that in case of large number of postal ballots required to be counted in any Parliamentary Constituency, which may result in delay of declaration of results, the Commission has directed that the Returning Officer in consultation with the observer can set up additional tables for counting of postal ballots as per necessity.

As instructed earlier one Assistant Returning Officer shall be dedicated to handle the postal ballot counting. The Observer located in the RO's Headquarter and Returning Officer shall closely monitor the progress made in postal ballot counting as well as EVM counting simultaneously.

After the counting process is over and results are declared, the observer along with his final report shall make a special mention of the process of postal ballot counting.

Yours faithfully

(SUMIT MUKHERJEE)
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