

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. 464/INST /2011/EPS

Dated: 23rd March, 2011

To

The Chief Electoral Officers of

1. Assam, Dispur
2. West Bengal, Kolkata
3. Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
4. Tamil Nadu, Chennai
5. Puducherry, Puducherry

Subject:- General election to the State Legislative Assemblies of Assam, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and Puducherry, 2011 - use of helicopters by candidates, political leaders etc for campaign purposes- maintenance of proper record thereof – reg

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to state that during the election period candidates, star campaigners of political parties and other political functionaries may be using helicopters/aircraft, for election campaign and other purposes and may be landing in various Districts. In this connection I am directed to say for this purpose political parties may be requested to intimate three days in advance regarding their itinerary and the details of persons who will travel and the materials that will be carried in helicopter/aircrafts. The Commission has further directed that the District Administration/ District Election Officers should maintain a log book and enter the details of the helicopters which landed and took off in their Districts and the purpose for which they landed and the persons who were in the said aircraft/helicopter and also indicate whether the aircraft/helicopter had taken permission for landing. The District Election Officers shall send daily report about the arrival and departure of such helicopters/aircrafts to the Chief Electoral Officer, concerned and endorse a copy to the

Commission. You are requested to bring this to the notice of all District Election Officers for compliance.

Yours faithfully,

(SUMIT MUKHERJEE)
UNDER SECRETARY