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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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To

1. The Cabinet Secretary, Government of India, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. The Chief Secretaries of all States and Union Territories
3. The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and Union Territories

Subject: Instructions relating to deletion of all references on politicians/Ministers on the official website during election period of General / Bye-Elections to the Lok Sabha and State Legislative Assemblies - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the Commission has considered the question of various references currently available in the State Government websites/Ministerial official websites pertaining to several Department and Govt. Organization highlighting their achievements but eulogizing the same as personal achievements of Politicians / Ministers. The Commission has decided that during the period when model code of conduct is in force in connection with general election to the Lok Sabha /State Legislative Assemblies, all references to Ministers, Politicians or Political Parties available on such State Government /Central Government 's official websites, shall be taken off/ purged of. During bye-elections, these instructions may be confined to only those Politicians/Ministers, etc. who themselves become candidates at such bye- elections.

This may kindly be brought to the notice of all concerned for strict compliance.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,

(K. N. BHAR)
UNDER SECRETARY

Copy to:

The Principal Secretary /Secretaries/Under Secretaries for follow up action.