

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110 001.

No. 479/CR/2012-CC & BE

Dated: 11th July, 2012

To

1. The Returning Officer-cum- Secretary General,
Rajya Sabha, Room No. 29, Parliament House,
New Delhi.
2. The Assistant Returning Officers for Presidential Election, 2012
(Through Chief Electoral Officers of All States, NCT of Delhi and UT of
Puducherry)

**Sub: Presidential Election, 2012- Opening of Control Room at RO/AROs
Headquarters-Clarification regarding closure of poll.**

Sir/Madam,

As already directed by the Commission in the Video Conference on 6th July, 2012, you were requested to open a Control Room at RO's Headquarters and AROs' Headquarters with telephone and fax etc. to facilitate coordination with each other and the Commission's Headquarters.

2. It has come to the notice of the Commission that some Assistant Returning Officers have already set up a Control Room in their respective Headquarters. The Assistant Returning Officers, who have not yet opened a Control Room in their Headquarters, are requested to immediately set up a Control Room at their Headquarters with telephone and fax etc. and intimate the same to all concerned.

3. In the aforesaid Video Conference, an issue was raised whether poll would be closed, in case, all electors notified for that place of poll has exercised their right to franchise well before closure of poll. It is clarified that poll shall be closed only at the notified hour of closure of poll, i.e., 5.00 P.M. and not before that closing hour in any circumstance.

Yours faithfully,

(K. N. BHAR)
SECRETARY