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**SECRETARIAT OF THE
ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001.

No. 479/9/2012-CC&BE

Dated:18th June, 2012

To

The Assistant Returning Officers for Presidential Election
(Through CEOs).

Sub: Election to the Office of the President of India, 2012- Facilities to Members of Legislative Assembly to vote in New Delhi or at the place of poll setup at any State HQ other than his own-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your attention to the Commission's Notification No. 479/2012 (2) dated 16th June, 2012, forwarded to you with the letter No. 479/2012-CC&BE, dated 13th June, 2012, and to state that as mentioned in the said notification, any elected Member of the Legislative Assembly of a State or National Capital Territory of Delhi or Union Territory of Puducherry may be permitted by the Election Commission on a special request made by him/her, well in advance, in the prescribed **Request Format A**, to vote at New Delhi and he/she shall then vote at the place of polling in Room No. 63, Parliament House, New Delhi. You may suitably inform all the members of the Legislative Assembly regarding these facilities.

2. Normally, Commission does not extend the facilities of casting vote by the MLA at any place of poll, other than his/her own State or at Parliament House, since it is very difficult to send the ballot papers of all the states to every other state. Needless to mention that the ballot paper in respect of every state is different from each other. But there may be extreme cases where some MLAs may be forced to remain away from their own State on the day of the poll due to compelling and justifiable reasons and may not be able to cast their vote either at their own State Headquarters or at Parliament House, New Delhi. In order to enable such MLAs to cast vote during the current Presidential Election, the Commission has decided, in exceptional cases, to allow the MLA of any State to cast his/her vote at any State

Headquarters other than his/her own if he/she applies for the Commission's permission well in advance, as specified in para 4 below, with full justification, in the prescribed **Request Form B**.

3. In this connection, 10 copies each of the **Request Form A** and **Request Form B**, devised by the Commission, in which any elected Member of the Legislative Assembly may apply to the Election Commission and request for the above concession, are forwarded herewith, with the request that you may kindly hand over required Request Form to any member of the Legislative Assembly who may approach you in this regard so that he/she may be able to fill the same and send it to the Election Commission. While giving the Form, you may caution the Member concerned that the option once made by him/her will be final and no change of such choice will be allowed by the Commission.

3. Further, you are requested to intimate the electors of your State in writing about this decision of the Commission for availing this facility by the intending elector and that their request, with full justification, in the prescribed **Request Form A or B**, as the case may be, should reach the Commission not later than 10 days before the date of poll, in order to enable the Commission to send ballot paper of his/her State to the place where he/she intends to vote on 19th July, 2012, so that the Presiding Officer is able to issue the same to him/her during the poll.

3. The receipt of the letter may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

(K. N. BHAR)
SECRETARY

Encl: 10 copies each of **Request Form A & B**.

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Copy forwarded for information to: -

1. The Returning Officer for the Presidential Election and Secretary-General, Rajya Sabha, Parliament House, New Delhi.
2. The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and Union Territories. (Alongwith a sample copy of **Request Form A & B**)

(K. N. BHAR)
SECRETARY

Request Form-A

**Request Form from Member of Legislative Assembly for Permission
to vote at Parliament House, New Delhi in
Presidential Election, 2012**

From:

Shri/Smt./Km.....
Member of Legislative Assembly of
(Name of State/UT)

To

Shri K. N. Bhar
Secretary,
Election Commission of India,
Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road,
New Delhi -110001.

(Fax No. 011-23052061)

As I will not be in the State/UT capital on the date of poll for the Presidential Election, 2012, I may be permitted to vote at the polling station at New Delhi.

2. If permitted by Election Commission of India, I will either produce my identity card or will have myself identified before the Returning Officer who is the Presiding Officer at the place of polling in Parliament House, New Delhi.

Dated:

(Signature of the Applicant)

Request Form-B

**Request Form from Member of Legislative Assembly of
.....(Name of the State) for permission to vote at other State
Headquarters in Presidential Election, 2012**

From:

Shri/Smt./Km.....

Member of Legislative Assembly of

(Name of State/UT)

Name of the Constituency.....

(From which elected)

To

Shri K. N. Bhar
Secretary,
Election Commission of India,
Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road,
New Delhi -110001.
(Fax No. 011-23052061)

As I will not be able to cast my vote during the current Presidential Election, 2012, at the place of poll where I am an elector or at Parliament House, New Delhi on the date of poll for the Presidential Election, 2012, due to.....

....., I may be permitted to vote at the following place of polling:-

Name of State/Union Territory:

Capital City :

2. If permitted by Election Commission of India, I will either produce my identity card or will have myself identified before the Assistant Returning Officer, during poll, who is the Presiding Officer at the place of polling in abovementioned State/Union Territory.

Dated:

(Signature of the Applicant)