Dated: 7th July, 2012

By Special Messenger/By Speed Post/Camp Bag

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. 479/INST/2012-CC&BE

House, New Delhi.

1. The Returning Officer-cum-Secretary General, Rajya Sabha, Room No.29, Parliament

2. Assistant Returning Officers (Through Chief Electoral Officers).

Subject: - Sealing of 'Key Purse' containing the keys of ballot box and wooden box after the poll is over during Presidential Election, 2012 – regarding.

Sir,

To

I am directed to state that the ballot box, wooden box alongwith the other election materials have been supplied to all the Assistant Returning Officers on 15th July 2012. The key of ballot box as well as of wooden box in which the ballot box is to be kept has been supplied alongwith the above mentioned election materials on the same day.

2. The Commission has decided that, after the poll is over and the ballot box has been closed and kept in the wooden box and the same has also been locked and sealed, the Key Purse containing the key of ballot box and wooden box shall also be kept in an envelope, duly superscribed "Keys of Ballot Box and Wooden Box", indicates the name of the State, shall also be sealed in the presence of Observers and candidates' representative and shall be kept in the strong room. While bringing the polled ballot box to Parliament House on 19th July, 2012 (in certain cases 20th July, 2012), this sealed envelope will be brought in such a way that the seal thereon is not broken and will be handed over to Returning Officer alongwith polled ballot box and other election materials.

3. The Contents of this letter may please be brought to the notice of the Observers after their reaching at State headquarters.

Yours faithfully,

(K.N. BHAR) SECRETARY