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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. 481/2012/CC&BE

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To

The Returning Officer for
Vice-Presidential Election-cum-
Secretary General, Lok Sabha,
Parliament House,
New Delhi.

Subject: Vice-Presidential Election, 2012- Identification of voter during actual poll.

Sir,

As per the existing guidelines of the Commission, the members of Parliament as electors in the Vice-Presidential election will cast their votes on the day of poll at the Parliament House.

2. Though the Presiding Officer by virtue of his interaction and association with the members of the Electoral College may, in most of the cases, be knowing them and may be in a position to identify the electors individually, yet, considering the fact that some members may not be personally known to the polling staff for being recently elected, there is a need for a proper mechanism for identification of voters at the time of poll.

3. The Presiding Officer shall satisfy himself about the identity of the elector before issuing the ballot paper. The entire process of identifying the elector shall be done with due care and diligence. This verification process through production of identity proof needs to be resorted to only where the Presiding Officer feels the necessity. Hence, the electors may be advised to carry their ID proof i.e. ID issued by the Parliament Secretariat or Original Copy of "Certificate of Election" (in case of the newly elected members) for production of the same, if needed by the Presiding Officer.

4. The Returning Officer may take all necessary steps to bring this to the notice of all candidates and electors immediately.

Yours faithfully,

(K. N. BHAR)
SECRETARY