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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. 491/SVEEP/2014(SV)

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To

The CEOs of All States/UTs

Sub:- De novo Intensive Revision of last parts of electoral rolls relating to service personnel with reference to 1st January, 2015 as the qualifying date - SVEEP (Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation) interventions for enhancing participation of Armed Forces personnel in Elections- regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your attention to the Commission's letter No. 24/2014/ERS, dated 2nd December, 2014 regarding **De novo Intensive Revision of last parts of electoral rolls relating to service personnel with reference to 1st January, 2015 as the qualifying date (copy enclosed)**, and to request you to take following Systematic Voters' Education & Electoral Participation (SVEEP) interventions for enhancing Service Voters' participation :

1. CEOs should co-ordinate with the Regimental Headquarters/Corp/Commands/Cantonment areas in the State to disseminate information on enrolment as service electors, postal ballots, proxy voting and also enrolment as General Voters for service personnel in non-forward station postings.
2. A mechanism may be chalked out in coordination with the Record office for collection of forms, its verification and subsequent submission to the concerned DEO Office to avoid any confusion. It must be ensured that applications of Service Voters are properly routed through the following path:
Designated (Station) Officer → Record Office → CEO Office → DEO Office → ERO and back
3. Special camps of 3-4 days may be organized in coordination with the Regimental Headquarters/Corp/Commands/Cantonment for enrolment of service voters in your State/UT. A **designated officer from the Services** should be appointed in every Station/Unit to coordinate.
4. The Camps should also have a special sessions on 'How to use postal ballot/ proxy voting' separately for service personnel and with designated officer or other

nominated officers from the Unit/Station who can be the resource person and independently carry out similar sessions on postal ballot/proxy voting subsequently. One Nodal Officer from CEOs/DEOs office along with supporting staff should be deployed in each of these camps.

5. Facilitation centres may be immediately set up in identified locations for enrolment of Service Electors and these facilitation centres should be functional till **31st January, 2015**. The location of these centres may be widely publicized through the official communication medium of the Cantonment itself. Record Office of each cantonment area may be requested to appoint appropriate number of defence personnel in these facilitation centres besides the officials from the office of CEO/DEO/ERO.
6. Facilitation Centres should have sufficient nos. of Form-2 alongwith format of declaration by service personnel, pamphlets with information on Service Voters, sufficient no. of copies of FAQs as available in ECI website www.eci.gov.in regarding enrolment of service electors.
7. EVMs, dummy postal ballots, declaration in Form 13 etc may also be displayed in the Special camps and Facilitation centres for familiarising the service personnel with the entire electoral process and tools.
8. Adequate number of publicity material like pamphlets and handbills covering the provisions regarding service voters and **Form-2** alongwith format of declaration by service personnel should be displayed and disseminated in Regimental headquarters/cantonment areas/ peace stations/ defence canteens / Core/Commands/army hospitals/ Mess.
9. **Form 2** alongwith format of declaration by service personnel for enrolment of service voters should be distributed in prominent places of cantonment areas alongwith the dates and location of the special camps and location of facilitation centres.
10. National Voters' Day may also be used to engage with the Service personnels and Defence establishments may be encouraged to celebrate the National Voters' Day. A letter addressed to the Defence Secretary for celebrating NVD in various defence establishments in enclosed.
11. During Army Day Function on **15th January, 2015**, Help Desk may be set up at all the venues in coordination with the Organizers for dissemination of information and facilitation for filling Form-2 by service personnel and their spouse. In peace stations, option for registering as General Voters may be widely disseminated.
12. Organsiatons like AWWA(Army Wives Welfare Association), AFWWA (Air Force Wives Welfare Association), NWWA(Naval Wives Welfare Association) and similar associations, if any in Paramilitary forces, may be coordinated with for disseminating

