## **ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi -110 001

No. 576/3/VVPAT/2016/SDR-Vol.I

Dated: 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

To.

The Chief Electoral Officer, Tamil Nadu, Chennai.

Subject: General Election to the Legislative Assembly of Tamil Nadu- Use of EVMs with Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail System (VVPAT)-reg.

Sir.

The Commission's direction no. 576/3/VVPAT/2016/SDR-Vol.I dated 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016, specified 17 Assembly Constituencies of Tamil Nadu, where a printer with a drop box shall be attached to all voting machines for printing paper trail of the votes. The said Directions was subsequently modified vide Commission's direction no. 576/3/VVPAT/2016/SDR-Vol.I dated 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 so as to include therein only those Polling Stations which have electors upto 1350. In this regard the Commission's letter dated 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016 may kindly be referred to. In the said letter, it was decided that VVPAT system shall only be used in the Polling Stations having less than 1350 voters. The direction has further been modified based on the list of Polling Stations submitted by you after modification to the list of Polling Stations. The modified direction dated 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 is enclosed herewith.

- 2. The Direction may be published in the official Gazette of the State immediately and two copies of the Gazette may be forwarded to the Commission for its information and record.
- 3. The above mentioned instruction may be brought to the notice of the Returning Officers of the Constituencies concerned for further necessary action. The contesting candidates should be informed about the direction and the modified Directions be given the widest publicity through all media of mass communication.
- 4. Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,

(N.T. Bhutia) Under Secretary TO BE PUBLISHED IN
THE STATES GOVERNMENT GAZETTE
IMMEDIATELY

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## DIRECTION

No. 576/3/VVPAT/2016/SDR-Vol.I In partial modification of the Commission's direction no. 576/3/VVPAT/2016/SDR-Vol.I dated 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016 and the subsequent direction no. 576/3/VVPAT/2016/SDR-Vol.I dated 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, the Commission has specified that in the Constituencies specified by the Commission in the direction dated 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2016, printer with drop box shall also be used in the Polling Stations as specified in Annexure to this Notification in the current general election to the Legislative Assembly of Tamil Nadu.

By Order,

(ANUJ JAIPURIAR) SECRETARY