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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashok Road, New Delhi-110 001

No. 576/Exit/ECI/LET/FUNC/JUD/SDR//2017/Vol-I

Dated: 7th November, 2017

To

The Chief Electoral Officer
Himachal Pradesh,
Shimla

The Chief Electoral Officer
Gujarat,
Gandhinagar

Subject: General Elections to the Legislative Assemblies of Himachal Pradesh & Gujarat -
EXIT POLL - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith the Commission's Notification No. 576/Exit/ECI/LET/FUNC/JUD/SDR//2017/Vol. dated 7th November 2017 with the request that this may be published in an extraordinary issue of the gazette of the State and a copy thereof may be sent to the Commission for record.

This may be brought to the notice of all concerned including news bureaus, media houses, radio and television channels etc. and should also be published in prominent local newspapers.

Yours faithfully,


(Manish Kumar)
Section Officer

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OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF
STATES IMMEDIATELY

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NOTIFICATION

Whereas, the Election Commission has already announced the schedule for General Elections to the Legislative Assemblies of Himachal Pradesh and Gujarat as per the schedule announced and Notification for the General Election to the Himachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly was issued on 16-10-2017 and the Notifications for the General Election to the Gujarat Legislative Assembly are scheduled to be issued on 14-11-2017 and 20-11-2017; and

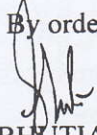
2. Whereas, as per the provisions of Section 126A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, there shall be restrictions on conduct of any exit poll and publication and dissemination of result of such exit poll during such period, as may be notified by the Election Commission in this regard; and

3. Whereas, counting of votes for the said General Elections to Legislative Assemblies of Himachal Pradesh and Gujarat is scheduled to be taken up on 18-12-2017;

4. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers under sub-section (1) of Section 126A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, the Election Commission, having regard to the provisions of sub-section (2) of the said Section, hereby notifies the period between **8:00 A .M. on 09-11-2017(Thursday) and upto 5.30p.m on 14-12-2017(Thursday)** as the period during which conducting any Exit Poll and publishing or publicizing by means of the print or electronic media or dissemination in any other manner, whatsoever, the result of any exit poll in connection with the current **General Elections to the Legislative Assemblies of Himachal Pradesh and Gujarat**, shall be prohibited.

5. It is further clarified that under Section 126(1)(b) of the R.P. Act, 1951, displaying any election matter, including results of any Opinion Poll or any other poll survey, in any electronic media, would be prohibited during the period of 48 hour ending with the hours fixed for conclusion of poll in connection with the aforesaid General election.

By order,


(N.T. BHUTIA)
SECRETARY