

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECS.F) DEPARTMENT

FAX MESSAGE

FROM: THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER, A.P., HYDERABAD

TO : THE COLLECTOR & D.E.O., VISAKHAPATNAM

REPEAT: ALL OTHER DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICERS

MSG.NO. 532/ELECS.F/2007-126

DATED: 15.03.2007

ELECTIONS TO A.P. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL –
CLARIFICATIONS ON APPOINTMENT POLLING AGENTS AND HOLIDAY
ON DAY OF POLL ETC. (.) REFER YOUR FAX MESSAGE RC.546/2007 HI,
DT. .03.2007 RECEIVED ON 13.3.2007 (.) THE FOLLOWING
CLARIFICATIONS ON THE POINTS MENTIONED THEREIN ARE ISSUED (.)

(1) IN RESPECT OF POINT 1 REGARDING CLARIFICATION ON
APPOINTMENT OF TEACHERS WORKING IN LOCAL BODIES & P.R.
INSTITUTIONS AS POLLING AGENTS, IT IS CLARIFIED THAT
TEACHERS WORKING IN LOCAL BODIES AND PANCHAYT RAJ
INSTITUTIONS, ARE ALSO GOVERNMENT SERVANTS (.)


(2) IN RESPECT OF POINT 2 REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF POLLING
AGENTS ONE HOUR BEFORE THE COMMENCEMENT OF POLL
SECTION, IT IS INFORMED THAT THE ELECTION COMMISSION'S
LETTER NO.464/INST/2005/PLN-I, DATED 28.01.2005 HAS ISSUED
INSTRUCTIONS, WHICH ARE EXTRACTED BELOW:

“THE CANDIDATES OR THEIR ELECTIONS AGENTS WILL
MAKE A FORMAL REQUEST, IN WRITING, TO THE
RETURNING OFFICER/ASSISTANT RETURNING OFFICER
FURNISHING THEREWITH TWO COPIES OF PASSPORT SIZED
PHOTOGRAPH OF THE PROSPECTIVE POLLING AGENT AT
LEAST TWO DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE POLL. THE
RETURNING OFFICER/ASSISTANT RETURNING OFFICER

WILL THEN ISSUE A PHOTOGRAPHED IDENTITY CARD TO THE PERSON TO ENABLE HIM TO ACT AS A POLLING AGENT. THE POLLING AGENT WILL BE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE THIS IDENTITY CARD ALONGWITH HIS APPOINTMENT LETTER IN FORM-10 BEFORE THE PRESIDING OFFICER TO ENTER THE SPECIFIC POLLING STATION AND ACT AS POLLING AGENT”

RETURNING OFFICER MAY TAKE A DECISION IN THE MATTER BASED ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES (.)

- (3) IN RESPECT OF POINT 3 REGARDING ADVERTISEMENT BY THE CONTESTING CANDIDATES, IT IS CLARIFIED THAT THERE IS NO PROHIBITION UNDER LAW TO PUBLISH ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE NEWS PAPERS TILL THE DATE OF POLL, (.) THE PROHIBITION UNDER SECTION 126 OF THE REPRESENTATION OF PEOPLE ACT, 1951 CONTINUES TO APPLY (.)
- (4) IN RESPECT OF POINT 4 (A) IT IS CLARIFIED THAT PUBLIC HOLIDAY IS NOT BEING DECLARED UNDER NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS ACT (.)
- (5) IN RESPECT OF POINT 4 (B) REGARDING PUBLIC HOLIDAY ON 17.3.2007 TO THE PUBLIC SECTOR UNDERTAKINGS / CENTRAL GOVT.UNDERTAKINGS ETC., THERE IS NO PROPOSAL UNDER CONSIDERATION (.) AN APPEAL HAS BEEN MADE TO ALL PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYERS TO GRANT NECESSARY FACILITIES TO THEIR EMPLOYEES SUCH AS PERMISSION TO ATTEND OFFICE / DUTY LATE (.) A COPY OF APPEAL IS FAXED HEREWITH (.)


for CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER &
PRL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT