## STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

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## Lr.No. 919/SEC-B2/2013

To
The Commissioner of Civil Supplies.
The M.D., A.P. Civil Supplies Corporation.
All the Collectors and District Election Authorities.
All the Joint Collectors.

Sir/Madam,

Sub:- Elections – 4<sup>th</sup> ordinary elections to Gram Panchayats – Clarification on distribution of Essential Commodities in plastic bags depicting the pictures of the Chief Minister and the Minister for Civil Supplies – Reg.

Ref: SEC Notification No.757/SEC-B2/2013, dated 03.07.2013.

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The State Election Commission issued Notification in the reference cited for conduct of ordinary elections to Gram Panchayats in the State. The Model Code of Conduct is in force in the entire State including urban areas.

Some of the District Collectors have sought clarification from the State Election Commission on distribution of Essential Commodities in plastic bags depicting the pictures of the Chief Minister and the Minister for Civil Supplies under Amma Hastham scheme.

It is hereby clarified that there is no objection for distribution of Essential Commodities through Public Distribution System subject to the condition that such Essential Commodities shall not be distributed in bags depicting the pictures of any political functionaries during the election period. In case it is not possible to supply Essential Commodities in bags without photos of political functionaries, the same should not be supplied till the completion of elections.

This clarification shall also be applicable during the ensuing ordinary elections to Urban Local Bodies and MPTCs/ZPTCs to be notified in the near future.

ours faithfully

Secretary

Copy to:

All the District Supply Officers.
All the District Managers, Civil Supplies.

All the District Panchayat Officers.