

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

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ORDER

No. 616/SEC-B1/2013-2

Date: 12.07.2013

Sub: State Election Commission - 4th Ordinary elections to Gram Panchayats – Curbs on flow of liquor during election period – Conducting checks to seize black jaggery – Reg.

Ref: 1. SEC Notification No. 757/SEC-B2/2013, dated 03.07.2013.
2. SEC Order No. 616/SEC-B1/2013, dated 07.07.2013.

The State Election Commission issued a Notification for conduct of ordinary elections to Gram Panchayats in the State in the reference cited.

In the reference 2nd cited, the Commission issued certain instructions in exercise of its plenary powers to curb the role of liquor in the ensuing elections to Gram Panchayats and also prescribed a proforma for sending a daily report to monitor various activities relating production and offtake of liquor and also closure of unauthorized or belt shops etc.

At a meeting convened by the Commission with Senior officials of Prohibition and Excise Department, the Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise stated that currently restrictions are imposed by GOI on production of black jaggery to curtail manufacturing of ID. Every production agency of black jaggery has to maintain two separate registers indicating the quantum of production and the quantum of supply.

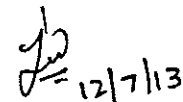
During the Video Conference conducted by the Commission on 12.07.2013, it has been brought to the notice of the Commission that considerable quantities of black jaggery produced illegally for the purpose of making illicit liquor has been seized in some districts.

In order to ensure free, fair and peaceful elections, the Commission hereby directs that the Prohibition and Excise officials and the Police officials shall conduct checks to unearth illegally produced black jaggery and other products derived from it that are used for production of illicit liquor to distribute them to voters to gain unfair edge in the ensuing elections to Gram Panchayats.

The quantity of black jaggery and other products derived from it seized daily should be incorporated in the daily report as Item No. 19 and a consolidated report for the entire State shall be sent to the State Election Commission.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER)


SECRETARY


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To
The Commissioner, Prohibition and Excise Department, AP, Hyderabad.
The Director (Enforcement), Prohibition and Excise Department.
All the Collectors & District Election Authorities.
All the Superintendents of Police / Superintendents of Police (Urban) /
Commissioners of Police.
All the Deputy Commissioners of Prohibition and Excise Department.
All the District Panchayat Officers.