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To
All Collectors & District Election Authorities.

Sir,

Sub: 4th Ordinary elections to Mayor/Deputy Mayor of Municipal Corporations, Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson of Municipalities/Nagar Panchayats, Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson of ZPP and President/Vice-President of MPP - Direction of Whip - Validity of Whip for the special meeting postponed to the next day - Clarification - Reg.

The State Election Commission issued procedural instructions in connection with indirect elections to the offices of Mayor/Deputy Mayor of Municipal Corporations, Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson of Municipalities/Nagar Panchayats, Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson of ZPP and President/Vice-President of MPP in different circulars. With regard to issue of whip by recognised political parties, it was stated that the person appointed as whip by a recognised political party can give a whip in the format prescribed in Annexure-III to the members concerned and also furnish a copy of the content of the whip issued by him to the Presiding Officer at least one hour before the commencement of special meeting. The person appointed as whip shall also furnish a copy of the acknowledgement obtained from the members belonging to the party on the service of the whip to them before the commencement of the special meeting.

A clarification was sought from some Presiding Officers as to whether the whip issued to party members shall remain valid in case the election of Chairpersons/Vice-Chairpersons is postponed to the next day or not.

It is clarified that if the special meeting is postponed to the next day due to lack of quorum or for other reasons, the whip issued by a recognised political party will hold good for the special meeting held on the next day unless the person appointed as whip of a recognised political party issues a fresh whip for the next day's special meeting.

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Where a fresh whip is issued for the next day's special meeting, all the requirements stipulated in the circular shall be fulfilled, which include giving a copy of the content of fresh whip to the Presiding Officer one hour before commencement of special meeting on the next day and also furnishing acknowledgements obtained from members on the service of fresh whip before commencement of special meeting next day.

Form-A / Form-B for the postponed next day's special meeting:

The Form-A / Form-B communicated to the Presiding Officer for the scheduled date of special meeting will hold good for the special meeting postponed to the next day unless the recognised political party issues a fresh Form-A / Form-B for the next day's special meeting.

Where a fresh Form-A / Form-B is issued for the next day's special meeting, it shall be delivered to the Presiding Officer concerned before 10:00 AM on the day of special meeting.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- Navin Mittal
SECRETARY

Copy to:

All Commissioners of Municipal Corporations/Municipalities/Nagar Panchayats.
All Chief Executive Officers of Zilla Praja Parishads.

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Assistant Secretary 3/7/14.