

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

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CIRCULAR

No. 616/SEC-B1/2013

Date: 09.05.2014

Sub:- Elections – 4th ordinary elections to MPTCs and ZPTCs 2014 – Closure of liquor shops within the jurisdiction of MPPs and ZPPs notified for election on the date of Counting on 13.05.2014 under Sec.225A of the A.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 – Reg.

Ref: SEC Notification No. 222/SEC-B1/2014-3, dated 21.04.2014.

The State Election Commission issued Notification in the reference cited notifying that Counting of votes of MPTC and ZPTC election shall commence at 8:00 AM on 13.05.2014 (Tuesday).

Under Section 225A of A.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1994, no spirituous, fermented or intoxicating liquors or other substances of a like nature shall be sold, given or distributed at a hotel, eating house, tavern, shop or any other place, public or private, within the jurisdiction of MPPs and ZPPs concerned on the Counting day.

In view of the above, the Commission directs that the date of counting of votes, i.e., 13.05.2014 shall be observed as 'dry day' within the jurisdiction of the MPPs and ZPPs notified for elections.

No liquor shops, hotels, restaurants, clubs and other establishments selling / serving liquor shall be permitted to sell / serve liquor to anyone whatsoever, on 13.05.2014. The storage of liquor by individuals shall be curtailed and the restrictions provided in the Excise Law on the storage of liquor in unlicensed premises shall be vigorously enforced.

Steps shall be taken to set up special check posts on the outskirts of the MPPs and ZPPs notified for election to keep a strict vigil to curb inflow of liquor from the adjoining areas.

All the concerned authorities shall take appropriate and legally effective measures to implement the above prohibition and ensure that free, fair and peaceful environment prevails at the time of counting for smooth completion of election process.

Sd/- P. Ramakanth Reddy
State Election Commissioner

To

All Collectors & District Election Authorities.

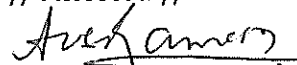
All Superintendents of Police / Commissioners of Police.

All Chief Executive Officers of Zilla Praja Parishads.

All Dy. Commissioners of Prohibition & Excise Department.

Copy to: The Commissioner, Prohibition and Excise Department.

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Joint Secretary