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To  
The Collectors & District Election Authorities.  
The Commissioners of Municipalities & Nagar Panchayats  
(notified for elections).

Sir/Madam,

Sub: 4<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Elections to Municipal Bodies – Date of Counting rescheduled to 09.04.2014 – Clarification sought on deadline for receipt of Postal Ballot Papers by Election Officers of Municipalities and Nagar Panchayats – Clarified – Reg.

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The State Election Commission issued a Notification in Ref. No.86/SEC-F2/2014-2, dated 01.04.2014 rescheduling the date of counting as 09.04.2014 (from 8:00 onwards) instead of 02.04.2014 complying with the directions of the Hon'ble High Court.

Some Municipal Commissioners sought a clarification with regard to last date and time for receipt of Postal Ballot Papers in view of the change in the date of counting.

It is clarified that the outer limit for receipt of Postal Ballot Papers by the Election Officers is fixed as **5:00 PM on 08.04.2014** under Rule 25(2) of the A.P. Municipalities (Conduct of Election of Members) Rules, 2005 as the time factor was already fixed as 5:00 PM under the said rule and the maximum permissible date would be 08.04.2014 as counting process starts at 8:00 AM on 09.04.2014.

Yours faithfully,  
**Sd/- Navin Mittal**  
**Secretary**

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**Joint Secretary**