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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No.3/ER/2022/SDR

Dated: 26th February, 2022

To,

The Chief Electoral Officer of
All States and Union Territories

Sub: - Affidavits filed by candidates with their nomination paper-uploading on website-regarding

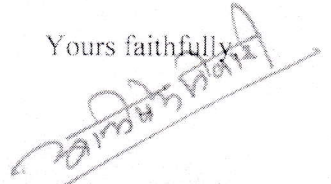
Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to Commission's letters no. 3/ER/2020/SDR dated 19th March, 2020 and no. 485/Comp/IT(Project)/Affidavit/2020 dated 5th June, 2020 on the subject cited. It has again come to the notice of the Commission that some Returning Officers are uploading enclosures like Aadhaar etc. alongwith the Affidavit in Form 26 on the Commission's affidavit portal.

Your attention is invited to Sections 37 of the Aadhaar Act, 2016, which provide that displaying Aadhaar data of the persons is a punishable offense.

Therefore, the Commission hereby directs that no documents other than affidavit, which have not been prescribed in the Commission's instructions, shall be uploaded on the Commission's portal. It is also directed that all such uploaded documents which contain Aadhaar details shall be identified and those details shall be either removed or masked from the Commission's portal.

Yours faithfully,



(Abhishek Tiwari)
Under Secretary