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To

The Chief Electoral Officers of
all States/Union Territories.

Subject: Requisition of premises/vehicles for election purpose – reg.

Ref- Commission's letter No. 3/ER/2021/SDR/Vol.II dated 23.06.2022

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letter No. 3/ER/2021/SDR/Vol.II dated 23.06.2022, forwarded a copy of the Gazette Notification dated 30th December, 2021 regarding Election Laws (Amendment) Act, 2021 (No. 49 of 2021) published by the Ministry of Law and Justice (Legislative Department), wherein the Parliament has made certain amendments to the Representation of the People Act, 1950 and Representation of the People Act, 1951. Including the amendments made in sub-section (1) clause (a) & (b) of Section 160 of Representation of the People Act, 1951 regarding requisition of premises/vehicles for election purpose. The existing provision together with the corresponding modifications is given below: -

Existing clause	Amended/Substituted clause
(1) "(a) any premises are needed or are likely to be needed for the purpose of being used as a polling station or for the storage of ballot boxes after a poll has been taken, or"	(1) "(a) any premises are needed or are likely to be needed for the purpose of being used as polling stations, for counting, for storage of ballot boxes, voting machines (including voter verifiable paper audit trail) and poll related material after a poll has been taken, accommodation for security forces and polling personnel; or";
(1) (b) "Provided that no vehicle, vessel or animal which is being lawfully used by a candidate or his agent for any	(1) (b) "Provided that such premises shall be requisitioned after the issuance of the notification by the Election Commission

purpose connected with the election of such candidate shall be requisitioned under this sub-section until the completion of the poll at such election.”

under section 30 for such election till the date notified under clause (e) thereof:

Provided further that no vehicle, vessel or animal which is being lawfully used by a candidate or his agent for any purpose connected with the election of such candidate shall be requisitioned under this sub-section until the completion of the poll at such election”.

The above-said amendments shall be brought to the notice of all concerned for future compliance.

Yours faithfully,



(SANJEEV KUMAR PRASAD)
SECRETARY