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No. 464/INST/PwD/2018-EPS

To

The Chief Electoral Officer of,  
All the States & Union Territories.

**Subject:** Accessible Photo Voter Slips with Braille Features- regarding.

**Reference:** The Commission's instructions-

- I. No.464/INST/2016-EPS dated 26.12.2016.
- II. No.464/INST/2016-EPS dated 19.01.2017.

Madam/Sir,


I am directed to state that based on the motto of the Election Commission of India 'No voter to be left behind' and the theme for National Voters Day 2018 "Accessible Elections", the Commission had conducted the National Consultation on Accessible Elections with all stake holders on 3rd July and 4th July 2018 at New Delhi and released the Strategy Framework on Accessible Elections.

As you are aware, the Commission has issued instructions No.464/INST/2016-EPS dated 26.12.2016 & 19.01.2017 regarding Photo Voter Slips from time to time which has contributed to greater electoral participation and voter engagement.

In furtherance, towards implementing all the parameters of the Strategy Framework and to ensure wholesome and constructive participation and active engagement of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in the election process, the Commission has directed to issue Accessible Photo Voter Slips with Braille Features to Persons with Visual Impairment or Blind, over and above normal Photo Voter Slips to be issued.

Kindly ensure that the instruction is followed in letter and spirit. The receipt of this letter may be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Sumit Mukherjee)  
Principal Secretary