

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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To,

1. The Chief Secretaries of all States and Union Territories.
2. The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and Union Territories.

Sub: - Providing security cover to Star Campaigners-regarding

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to state that it has been brought to the Commission's notice that the Star Campaigners in the ongoing general elections to the legislative assemblies of the five states have faced security issues. The star campaigners constitute an integral part of the election process and their security is of utmost importance for ensuring free and fair elections.

2. The Commission has taken cognizance of the matter and has decided that the Star Campaigners [leaders referred to in explanation 1(a) under Section 77(a) of the RP Act, 1951] appointed by the political parties shall be provided adequate security cover within the state during the period of conduct of elections.

3. Therefore, the Political Parties concerned shall provide visit plan, route chart & any other necessary information for providing necessary security cover to their Star Campaigners, to the concerned CEO and the DEOs.

4. The security arrangements of Star Campaigners shall be monitored by a Nodal Officer, at the State level and a Nodal Officer at the District level, to be appointed by the concerned State/UT Government.

Yours faithfully,



(ASHWANI KUMAR MOHAL)
SECRETARY

Copy to: - The President/General Secretary of recognized National/State political parties with the request to provide suitable details, as advised at para 3 above, to the CEO/DEO.