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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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No. 322/UP-LC/1/2010-CC&BE

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To

1. The Chief Electoral Officer
Uttar Pradesh,
Lucknow.
2. All the Returning Officers of Local Authorities Constituencies of the
Uttar Pradesh Legislative Council.
3. All the Observers & Special Observers of Biennial Election to the Uttar Pradesh
Legislative Council from Local Authorities' Constituencies (through the
Returning Officers concerned)

Subject: Biennial Election to the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Council from 35 Local
Authorities' Constituencies –Videography at polling stations during poll- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to invite your attention to the Commission's letter of even number dated 23rd December, 2009, wherein it has been directed that the poll proceedings inside all the Polling Stations in connection with the above mentioned biennial elections shall be **videographed** on the day of poll. While doing so, it should be ensured that the secrecy of ballot is not at all violated/compromised. The Commission has decided to issue further direction for strict compliance as below: -

- 1) The poll proceedings inside all the Polling Stations shall be videographed on the day of poll. The videography should be **continuous and uninterrupted. While doing so, it should be ensured that the secrecy of ballot is not at all violated/compromised.**
- 2) Videography must cover each and every voter in such a way that he/she is identifiable from the video frame itself.
- 3) The Videographer should be properly briefed and trained by the Returning Officer/Presiding Officer. While videography at the Polling Station on the Poll day, the videographer shall be under the control and supervision of Presiding

Officer. The Presiding Officer shall be responsible for the compliance of instructions of the Election Commission of India related to videography at the Polling Station.

- 4) The video camera should be positioned in such a way that by remaining static it can cover every elector as well as the poll proceedings inside the polling station without compromising the secrecy of vote.
- 5) The videographer should be issued an Identity Card for identification.
- 6) There should be proper back-up battery, CD, Diskettes, etc. for the videography to continue, uninterrupted throughout the polling hours.

The receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged with the confirmation that all the Micro Observers/Polling Personnel have been briefed/trained for strict compliance of the abovementioned instructions of the Commission.

Yours faithfully,



(K. N. BHAR)
UNDER SECRETARY