

BY CAMP BAG

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001.

No.3/7/2007/JS-II

Dated: 08.11.2007.

To

**The Chief Electoral Officers,
Gujarat**

Subject: - Election campaign by political parties and candidates – use of banners etc. at the venue of election meetings-reg

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter no. ELC-1007-7418-CHH, dated 29.10.2007, on the subject cited above. The issues raised by you are clarified as follows:

- (i) At the meetings conducted by political parties/Candidates in connection electioneering, banners, hoardings, cut-outs, posters etc. shall be allowed to be displayed within the premises where the meeting is allowed to be held only during the period of the meeting. The political party/candidate concerned should get the material displayed by them **removed immediately after the meeting**. In this context, the order dated 30.10.2007 passed by the Hon'ble High court of Gujarat in SCA no. 27332/2007 may also be referred to.
- (ii) In the processions taken out for election campaign, posters and banners may be permitted to be displayed, subject to restriction imposed by local administration, as well as the restrictions under the local laws or court orders, if any.

2. The expenditure incurred in connection with displaying of the banners, etc. will have to be accounted for in the election expenses of the candidate(s) concerned in accordance with the instructions in the Commission's letter no. 76/2004/JS-II, dated 10th April, 2004.

Yours faithfully,

**(S.R. KAR)
UNDER SECRETARY**

Copy to:

Chief Electoral Officer, Himachal Pradesh alongwith copy of the letter dated 29.10.2007 of the CEO, Gujarat and the order dated 30.10.2007 of the Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat referred to above