

# **ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

**Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001**

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**No.464/INST/2009/EPS**

**Dated: - 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2009**

To,

The Chief Electoral Officers of  
All States/UTs.

Subject: Election/Polling/Counting Agent- prohibition against appointment of  
Minister/MP/MLA/MLC, etc. – regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letter No. 464/INST/2009/EPS dated 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2009 and subsequent letter dated 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2009 regarding appointment of Election/Polling/Counting agent and to say that a question has been raised as to whether the Councilor or Member of Municipal Corporation or Municipality can be appointed as Counting Agent.

In this connection, it is stated that the matter has been considered by the Commission and it has been clarified that the Councilor or Member of Municipal Corporation or Municipality can also become Counting Agent.

This may be brought to the notice of all political parties and candidates in the State.

Yours faithfully,

**(SUMIT MUKHERJEE)**  
**UNDER SECRETARY**