

## **ELECTION – MOST IMMEDIATE**

**STATE ELECTION COMMISSION**  
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### **CIRCULAR NO.53**

**No.1260/SEC-F1/2009**

**Dated:20.11.2009**

Sub:- GHMC Elections, 2009 – Certain restrictions for free and fair poll on  
23.11.2009 – Instructions - Reg.

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Instructions have already been issued on several aspects for free and fair poll and some of the important aspects are reiterated here for implementation on 23.11.2009.

1. Candidates contesting to the office of Ward Member shall be allowed only one vehicle for their movement (within their ward) on the polling day and no separate vehicle will be allowed for their agents or party leaders. They are required to obtain a separate vehicle permit from the municipal authorities concerned and the same should be displayed prominently on the windscreen of the vehicle.
2. The elected representatives having security cover should not be allowed to enter the polling station nor can they be appointed as election/polling agents.
3. Strict watch should be imposed on the movement of leaders of political parties and elected representatives in order to monitor the free and fair poll
4. Steps will be taken to avoid commission of election offences like booth capturing, intimidation of voters, impersonation etc. The police should exercise a strict vigil and see that anybody who violates the law is dealt with appropriately under the law and see that in any case free and fair poll is ensured and no inconvenience is caused to the voters.

The State Election Commission has already issued a directive in its reference No.292/SEC-F1/2007, dt:16.2.2007 imposing restrictions on the presence of political functionaries / party workers / campaign functionaries brought from outside and who are not voters in the limits of the municipal areas after the campaign period is over. A copy of these instructions is enclosed and it is emphasized that these instructions shall apply equally to the elections to GHMC and they should be implemented in letter and spirit in order to see that free and fair poll is ensured.

Among the restrictions imposed the following need to be highlighted for the purpose of implementation –

1. Checking of kalyan mandapams/community halls etc., where such people are kept housed and find out whether the outsiders have been accommodated in these premises.
2. Verification of lodges and guesthouses to keep a track of the list of occupants.
3. Set up check-posts in the borders of the urban local bodies notified for election and track the vehicular movement from outside such local bodies.
4. Verify the identity of the people/group of people in order to find out whether they are voters or not and establish their identity.
5. This may be brought to the notice of all concerned and ensure strict compliance. Action taken in the matter may be informed to the Commission.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER)**

Sd/- B. Venkateswara Rao,  
**Secretary**

To

The District Collectors of Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy and Medak districts.

The Commissioners of Police of Hyderabad and Cyberabad.

The Superintendents of police concerned

Copy to:

The Election Authority & Commissioner & Special Officer, GHMC.

The Chief Public Relations Officer, GHMC with a request to circulate to all Press / Electronic Media.

The Commissioner of Police, Hyderabad / Cyberabad & Superintendent of Police, Medak.

All Observers.

All Political Parties.