

# कार्यालय मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी उत्तर प्रदेश।

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सेवा में,

लखनऊ:

दिनांक: 18 मई, 2019

समस्त जिला निर्वाचन अधिकारी,  
उ0प्र0।

विषय: **General Election to the Lok Sabha, 2019-Clarifications on instructions relating to counting of votes-reg.**

महोदय,

उपर्युक्त विषय पर कृपया भारत निर्वाचन आयोग के पत्र सं0-4/2019/SDR/Vol.II, दिनांक-17.05.2019 का अवलोकन करने का कष्ट करें।

2- भारत निर्वाचन आयोग द्वारा दिनांक-11.05.2019 को मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारियों के साथ हुए वीडियो कॉन्फ्रेंसिंग के दौरान पोस्टल बैलेट की गणना से संबंधित उठाए गए कुछ मामलों के संबंध में स्पष्टीकरण जारी किए गए हैं।

उक्त परिप्रेक्ष्य में अनुरोध है कि कृपया आयोग के उक्त निर्देशों को रिटर्निंग ऑफिसर/सहायक रिटर्निंग ऑफिसर एवं निर्वाचन से जुड़े सभी संबंधित, निर्वाचन लड़नेवाले उम्मीदवारों एवं प्रेक्षकों के संज्ञान में लाते हुए अनुपालन सुनिश्चित कराने का कष्ट करें।

संलग्नक:यथोपरि

भवदीय,

(रत्नेश सिंह)

संयुक्त मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी।

संख्या:-1221(1)सी0ई0ओ0-2-तददिनांक-

प्रतिलिपि निम्नलिखित को संलग्नक सहित सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित:-

1. समस्त मण्डलायुक्त, उत्तर प्रदेश।
2. समस्त उप/सहायक जिला निर्वाचन अधिकारी, उत्तर प्रदेश।
3. अनुभाग अधिकारी, अनुभाग-1, 2, 3 एवं 4 मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी कार्यालय, उत्तर प्रदेश।
4. प्रभारी, कम्प्यूटर कक्ष को कार्यालय की वेबसाइट पर अपलोड करने हेतु।

(रत्नेश सिंह)

संयुक्त मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी।

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashok Road, New Delhi-110 001

Dated: 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2019

No. 42/019/SDR/Vol. II

To,  
The Chief Electoral Officer  
of all States & Union Territories.

Subject: Clarifications on instructions relating to counting of votes.

Sir,

During the video conference held with the CEOs on 11.05.2019, some issues related to counting of postal ballots were raised for clarification. In this context, the following clarifications are hereby given: -

**(i) Filling up Part II of Form 17C and furnishing copies to counting agents.**

There are already Commission's instructions, that Part-II of Form-17C should be separately typed out giving the names of candidates in column-2, and the result on individual tables for each round are to be entered against the names of candidates in this list. This is to be prepared in duplicate using carbon paper. The carbon copy will be used for taking multiple photocopies for supplying copy each to the counting agents at the respective table. Returning Officers should take care that the names of candidates entered in this list is exactly as per the order in the ballot paper used on the BU. For duplicate copy, carbon copy may be used so that there is no discrepancy between the two copies. Original copy will go to RO's table for round-wise tabulation.

**(ii) Randomization of counting staff.**

In the case of counting for Parliamentary Constituency, where the counting locations for any assembly segment is far away from the headquarters of the Returning Officer, the second randomization of counting staff may be permitted to be done up to 48 hours before commencement of counting. Whenever it is proposed to be done so, i.e. earlier than 24 hours prior to commencement of counting, approval has to be obtained by the respective Returning Officer from the Chief Electoral Officer.


**(iii) Counting of VVPAT slips when more than one VVPAT is used in a Polling Station.**

In such cases if VVPAT slips are to be counted, counting should be done separately for each VVPAT used in a polling station.

**(iv) No. of counting tables for counting Postal Ballots**

As per the Commission's instructions, there shall be a maximum of 4 tables, and in each round, a maximum of 500 postal ballot papers should be distributed to each table. In the constituencies where the number of postal ballot papers is high, RO is permitted to have more counting tables for postal ballot papers subject to the condition that there has to be an ARO for each such table. Accordingly, proposals for appointment of additional AROs for this purpose should be submitted for approval of the Commission well in advance.

Yours Faithfully,

  
(Binod Kumar)  
Under Secretary

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