

**STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, HARYANA
NIRVACHAN SADAN, PLOT NO.2
SECTOR-17 PANCHKULA.**

NOTIFICATION

No.SEC/3ME/2017/ 879

Dated :18.05.2017

Whereas, section 8B the Haryana Municipal Corporation Act, 1994 and provides that Account of election expenses and maximum thereof- 1) every candidate at an election shall, either himself or by his election agent, keep a separate and correct account of all expenditure in connection with the election incurred or authorized by him or by his election agent from the date of filing of nomination papers to the date of declaration of the result thereof, both dates inclusive. 2) The account shall contain such particulars, as may be notified by the State Election Commission in this behalf. 3) The total of the said expenditure shall not exceed such amount as may be notified by the State Election Commission from time to time.

2. Now in view of the present circumstances, it has become necessary to again revise the order of expenditure limit. Therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (I) Article 243 ZA of the Constitution of India, Sub Section (3) of section 8B of the Haryana Municipal Corporation Act, 1994, the Haryana Municipal Corporation Election Expenditure (Maintenance and Submission of Accounts) order, 2017 and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the State Election Commission hereby revise the earlier expenditure limit of Rs.2,10,000/- to Rs.5,00,000/- (Rs. Five Lac only) for the contesting candidates of Municipal Corporation.

3. The State Election Commission further directs that the accounts of expenditure to be incurred by the contesting candidates in the Municipal Corporation shall be maintained and submitted to the Deputy Commissioners within 30 days of the declaration of the result in the Performa prescribed for the purpose and the Deputy Commissioners in turn shall send report to the Commission as per provision contained in the Haryana Municipal Corporation Election Expenditure (Maintenance and submission of Accounts) order, 2017.

4. The State Election Commission further directs that if a candidate fails to submit accounts of expenditure incurred by him/her for election to Municipal Corporation within the prescribed time limit, the Commission by order published in Official Gazette shall declare him/her to be disqualified and may such person be disqualified for a period of five years from the date of the order.

5. Every contesting candidate shall either himself or by his authorised election agent will have to keep a separate and correct account of all expenditure in connection with the election between the dates he/she has been nominated and date of declaration of result both dates inclusive. The total expenditure shall not exceed the limit as prescribed above.

6. No particular party or any other association, body or individual shall put up any cut-outs, hoardings, wall paintings, buntings, arches, gates, banners, flags, advertisements in newspapers etc. without the general or special authority in writing of the candidates whose election is sought to be promoted or procured by such cut-outs, hoardings etc., as expenditure on all such items shall be treated as the legitimate expenditure incurred by the contesting candidate. No contesting candidate or any individual on his behalf shall put up any cut-outs, hoardings etc. without prior permission of the concerned Government authority.

7. Any violation by the contesting candidate or his authorised agent/individual to incur any expenditure in excess of the limit mentioned above, will be viewed seriously by the State Election Commission and stringent action shall be taken against him/her.

8. This supersedes the earlier Notification No.SEC/3ME/2015/628, dated 03.06.2015 issued by the Commission, vide which the limitations of expenditure were revised.

Dated Panchkula
the 18th April,2017

DR.DALIP SINGH
State Election Commissioner, Haryana

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A copy is forwarded to the following for information and immediate compliance of above orders:

1. The Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana, Chandigarh.
2. The Principal Secretary to Govt. Haryana, Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana Chandigarh.
3. The Director, Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana, Chandigarh.
4. The Deputy Commissioners, Faridabad, Gurgaon, Rohtak, Hisar, Panipat, Karnal, Ambala, Yamuna Nagar and Panchkula for information and necessary action.
5. The Commissioners, Municipal Corporations, Faridabad, Gurgaon, Rohtak, Hisar, Panipat, Karnal, Ambala, Panchkula and Yamuna Nagar.
6. All the National and State Political Parties.
7. A copy is forwarded to the Controller, Printing & Stationery Department Haryana for publication in the Haryana Government Gazette.
8. The Director, Public Relations & Cultural Affairs and Grievances Department, Haryana.

Sd/-
(Pushkar Dutt)
Superintendent
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