

(LC)  
**General Election Lok Sabha**  
**Most Immediate Date Bound**



No. 4/13/2019-1 Election  
Government of Haryana  
Chief Secretary Office  
(Election Branch)

Dated, Chandigarh the 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

To

- LC  
13.3.19
1. All the Administrative Secretaries to Govt., Haryana.
  2. The Director General of Police Haryana.
  3. All Heads of Department.
  4. All the MD/CA of Boards/Corporations/ Public Sector Undertaking of Haryana.
  5. All the Divisional Commissioner in Haryana.
  6. All the Deputy Commissioner-cum- District Elections Officer in Haryana.
  7. All the Vice Chancellor of the Universities in Haryana State.
- Subject: - Model Code of Conduct during Lok Sabha General Elections, 2019 - regarding.**

\*\*\*\*\*

Sir/Madam,

✓ ALCA) CO/D  
JSC(Bocw) 14-3-19  
DLC(W)  
D. N.

The Model Code of Conduct has come into force from the date of announcement of the polls by the Election Commission of India i.e. 10.3.2019. Therefore, I am directed to refer to the subject noted above and to send herewith a copy of Model Code of Conduct received from the Chief Electoral Officer, Haryana vide letter No. 185(Elec.Prog)/LS-Elec-2019/2AE-2386, Dated 10.3.2019 alongwith its enclosures for immediate compliance.

2. It may be ensured that directions of the Election Commission of India are complied with strictly.

Yours faithfully,

Superintendent Election.

Endst.No.4/13/2019-1Election

Dated, Chandigarh the 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

A copy is forwarded to Sh. Umesh Sinha, Senior Deputy Election Commissioner, Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi with reference to his letter No. ECI/PN/23/2019, dated 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 for information.

Superintendent Election.

Endst.No.4/13/2019-1Election

Dated, Chandigarh the 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

A copy is forwarded to the Chief Electoral Officer, Haryana, 30-Bays Building Sector-17, Chandigarh w.r.t. their No. 185(Elec.Prog)/LS-Elec-2019/2AE-2386, Dated 10.3.2019 for information.

Superintendent Election.

A copy is forwarded to the Senior Special Secretaries / Senior Secretaries / Secretaries/Private Secretaries to Chief Minister/Ministers/ State Ministers for bringing these instructions to the notice of Hon'ble Chief Minister/ Ministers/ State Ministers. It is also requested that all concerned may be apprised of the instructions contained in the enclosed letter for compliance.

Superintendent Election

To

The Senior Special Secretaries / Senior Secretaries / Secretaries / Private Secretaries to Chief Minister / Ministers / State Ministers.

Endst.No.4/13/2019-1Election

Dated, Chandigarh the 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

CC: -  
PS/CS  
NIC



# ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

## MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE GUIDANCE OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND CANDIDATES

### I. General Conduct

1. No party or candidate shall include in any activity which may aggravate existing differences or create mutual hatred or cause tension between different castes and communities, religious or linguistic.
2. Criticism of other political parties, when made, shall be confined to their policies and programme, past record and work. Parties and Candidates shall refrain from criticism of all aspects of private life, not connected with the public activities of the leaders or workers of other parties. Criticism of other parties or their workers based on unverified allegations or distortion shall be avoided.
3. There shall be no appeal to caste or communal feelings for securing votes. Mosques, Churches, Temples or other places of worship shall not be used as forum for election propaganda.
4. All parties and candidates shall avoid scrupulously all activities which are "corrupt practices" and offences under the election law, such as bribing of voters, intimidation of voters, impersonation of voters, canvassing within 100 meters of polling stations, holding public meetings during the period of 48 hours ending with the hour fixed for the close of the poll, and the transport and conveyance of voters to and from polling station.
5. The right of every individual for peaceful and undisturbed home-life shall be respected, however much the political parties or candidates may resent his political opinions or activities. Organizing demonstrations or picketing before the houses of individuals by way of protesting against their opinions or activities shall not be resorted to under any circumstances.
6. No political party or candidate shall permit its or his followers to make use of any individual's land, building, compound wall etc., without his permission for erecting flag-staffs, suspending banners, pasting notices, writing slogans etc.
7. Political parties and candidates shall ensure that their supporters do not create obstructions in or break up meetings and processions organized by other parties. Workers or sympathisers of one political party shall not create disturbances at public meetings organized by another political party by putting questions orally or in writing or by distributing leaflets of their own party. Processions shall not be taken out by one party along places at which meetings are held by another party. Posters issued by one party shall not be removed by workers of another party.

### II. Meetings

1. The party or candidate shall inform the local police authorities of the venue and time any proposed meeting well in time so as to enable the police to make necessary arrangements for controlling traffic and maintaining peace and order.
2. A Party or candidate shall ascertain in advance if there is any restrictive or prohibitory order in force in the place proposed for the meeting if such orders exist, they shall be followed strictly. If any exemption is required from such orders, it shall be applied for and obtained well in time.



6. ensure that the candidate's camps shall be simple. They shall not display any posters, flags, symbols or any other propaganda material. No eatable shall be served or crowd allowed at the camps and
7. co-operate with the authorities in complying with the restrictions to be imposed on the plying of vehicles on the polling day and obtain permits for them which should be displayed prominently on those vehicles.

## V. Polling Booth

Excepting the voters, no one without a valid pass from the Election Commission shall enter the polling booths.

## VI. Observers

The Election Commission is appointing Observers. If the candidates or their agents have any specific complaint or problem regarding the conduct of elections they may bring the same to the notice of the Observer.

## VII. Party in Power

The party in power whether at the Centre or in the State or States concerned, shall ensure that no cause is given for any complaint that it has used its official position for the purposes of its election campaign and in particular –

1. (a) The Ministers shall not combine their official visit with electioneering work and shall not also make use of official machinery or personnel during the electioneering work.  
(b) Government transport including official air-crafts, vehicles, machinery and personnel shall not be used for furtherance of the interest of the party in power;
  2. Public places such as maidens etc., for holding election meetings, and use of helipads for air-flights in connection with elections shall not be monopolized by itself. Other parties and candidates shall be allowed the use of such places and facilities on the same terms and conditions on which they are used by the party in power;
  3. Rest houses, dark bungalows or other Government accommodation shall not be monopolized by the party in power or its candidates and such accommodation shall be allowed to be used by other parties and candidates in a fair manner but no party or candidate shall use or be allowed to use such accommodation (including premises appertaining thereto) as a campaign office or for holding any public meeting for the purposes of election propaganda;
  4. Issue of advertisement at the cost of public exchequer in the newspapers and other media and the misuse of official mass media during the election period for partisan coverage of political news and publicity regarding achievements with a view to furthering the prospects of the party in power shall be scrupulously avoided.
  5. Ministers and other authorities shall not sanction grants/payments out of discretionary funds from the time elections are announced by the Commission; and
  6. From the time elections are announced by Commission, Ministers and other authorities shall
    - (a) announce any financial grants in any form or promises thereof; or
    - (b) (except civil servants) lay foundation stones etc. of projects or schemes of any kind; or
    - (c) make any promise of construction of roads, provision of drinking water facilities etc.; or
    - (d) make any ad-hoc appointments in Government, Public Undertakings etc. which may have the effect of influencing the voters in favor of the party in power.
- Note : The Commission shall announce the date of any election which shall be a date



of other provisions of Model Code of Conduct.

(ii) The Directive Principles of State Policy enshrined in the Constitution enjoin upon the State to frame various welfare measures for the citizens and therefore there can be no objection to the promise of such welfare measures in election manifestos. However, political parties should avoid making those promises which are likely to vitiate the purity of the election process or exert undue influence on the voters in exercising their franchise.

(iii) In the interest of transparency, level playing field and credibility of promises, it is expected that manifestos also reflect the rationale for the promises and broadly indicate the ways and means to meet the financial requirements for it. Trust of voters should be sought only on those promises which are possible to be fulfilled.