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**No. 988(18)-SEC/1E-85/2015**

**Date- 30.03.2015**

From: Commissioner  
West Bengal State Election Commission

To: The District Magistrate  
&  
District Municipal Election Officers..... (all)

Sun: Security arrangements in connection with conduct  
of Municipal General Election, 2015

Sir/Madam,

In continuation of Commission's letter No. 909(18)-SEC/1E-85/2015 dated 27.03.2015 and 939-SEC/2M-24/2014 dated 28.03.2014 regarding security arrangement and law & order issues, the Commission has been receiving complaints everyday from opposition political parties regarding wide spread terror and intimidation of their followers in different districts including removal of banners, posters as well as attack, on campaigning. All political parties have been requested by the Commission to submit complaints regarding electoral violence direct to the concerned police station, Municipal Returning Officer, District Magistrate, Superintendent Police as well as to the Commission. It is also alleged that in many cases local police stations have not been receiving complaints and not acting upon the complaints even when received.

You may kindly appreciate that the present period of campaigning by different political parties up to P-2 day is most crucial and all precautionary measures should be taken so that all political parties could have their campaigning done freely following prescribed procedures.

In order to create a level playing field for all political parties, I would request you to kindly initiate the following actions:

1. Update the list of history sheeters, declared absconders, fugitive criminals in each police stations and take necessary actions against them.
2. Effect service of all pending warrants and challans.

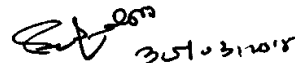
3. Issue of prohibitory order under section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure banning the carrying of licensed arms.
4. Prohibit issue of licensed arms.
5. Unearth and seize unlicensed arms and ammunitions.
6. Impounding all licensed arms wherever is necessary.
7. Issue of prohibitory order banning movement of more than two 2 wheelers.
8. Ask all police stations to diarise any election related complaints and act upon the same immediately.
9. Police stations to follow some well defined principles in the matter of giving permissions for holding meeting or taking out procession. Police coverage be given wherever necessary, so that no untoward incident takes place on the meeting and procession which are permitted.
10. Area domination, route march by armed police at selective areas to restore the confidence of the electors. Draw up the list of Sensitive Polling Stations and detailed enhanced scale of security for the said polling stations.
11. Send the list of Sensitive Polling Stations and tentative police deployment plan to the Commission.

The Commission is not receiving the daily law and order report from all the districts. This shall be sent positively each day towards evening by e-mail for reviewing of the law and order situation.

In fine, we have to take all attempts so that all political parties can arrange procession, meetings and do their campaign without any fear or obstruction.

Lastly I would request you to send us a report stating whether any instances of forcible withdrawal of nomination paper has been recorded and action taken in such cases.

Yours faithfully,



(S.R. Upadhaya)  
Commissioner


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Copy forwarded for information and necessary to the Superintendent of Police

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