ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001.

No.56/67/2011/PPS-II

Dated: 24th March, 2014.

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The Chief Electoral Officers,

- (1.) Bihar, Patna
- (2.) Odisha, Bhubaneswar
- (3.) Assam, Dispur
- (4.) NCT of Delhi
- (5.) Chhattisgarh, Raipur
- (6.) Tamil Nadu, Chennai

Sub: - General election to Lok Sabha,2014 and to the state legislative Assemblies of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Odisha and Sikkim, 2014- Allotment of reserved symbols under Para 10 of the Election Symbols (Reservation & Allotment) Order, 1968 – <u>Shiv Sena and Jharkhand Mukti Morcha</u>- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited and to state that the Shiv Sena, a recognised state party in the state of Maharashtra and the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha, a recognised state party in the state of Jharkhand both having reserved symbol 'Bow & Arrow' in their respective States, have requested the Commission for concession under Paragraph 10 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968, for allotment of the said symbol 'Bow & Arrow' to the candidates being set up by the said parties for the ongoing Lok Sabha election, 2014 in the states of Bihar, Odisha, Assam, NCT of Delhi, Tamil Nadu and Chhattisgarh and General Election to Legislative Assembly of Odisha State.

2. Since both the parties have same reserved symbol i.e. 'Bow and Arrow', the Commission has decided that in any Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar, Assam, NCT of Delhi, Tamil Nadu and Chhattisgarh, if only one of the aforesaid parties sets up its candidate, the candidate of that party may be given concession to use the symbol 'Bow and Arrow' under para 10 of Symbol Order, 1968 and in case in any constituency both the said parties set up their candidates, neither of the candidates shall be allotted the

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reserved symbol <u>`Bow and Arrow'</u> under para 10 of the Symbol Order and in such constituency/ies and the candidates of these parties in such constituencies shall be allotted free symbols from the list of free symbols.

3. In respect of the State of Odisha it is stated that in those Parliamentary Constituencies where only one of these parties (i.e. Shiv Sena and Jharkhand Mukti Morcha) set up candidate, the symbol 'Bow & Arrow' may be allotted to that candidate. In the Assembly Constituencies falling within such Parliamentary Constituency, if that party has set up candidates in any assembly constituency and the other party does not set up candidates, the symbol may be allotted to such candidate in the assembly constituenty. However, if the other party sets up candidate in any assembly constituency within such parliamentary constituency, the 'Bow and Arrow' symbol should not be alotted to that candidate. If both the parties set up candidate in such an assembly constituency, neither of the candidates may be allotted the symbol.

Yours faithfully

Varmalan Came (VARINDER KUMAR) SECRETARY

Copy to: -

- Forwarded (By Speed Post) to the President, Shiv Sena, Shiv Sena Bhavan, 1st Floor, Ram Ganesh Gadkari Chowk, Dadar, Mumbai-400028 (Maharashtra). He is informed that the party and the candidates must comply with each of the provisions of Para 13 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968.
- 2. Forwarded (By Speed Post) to the President, Jharkhand Mukti Morcha, Bariatu Road, Ranchi-834009 (Jharkhand). He is informed that the party and the candidates must comply with each of the provisions of Para 13 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968.
- 3. Pr. Secy (TK)/ Pr. Secy (SR)/ Pr. Secy (RKS)/ Secy(AJ)/ North I/ East-I /East-I / South-I/ North East –I / Guard File.