

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

NIRVACHAN SADAN, ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI-110001

No. 54/2/2017-EMS

Dated: 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

To

1. The Chief Electoral officers of all States/UTs
2. Managing Director,  
Mysore Paints & Varnish Limited  
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking),  
New Bannimantap Extension,  
Mysore- 570 015, Karnataka.

Subject: Supply of specially designed pens for marking preference in ballot paper in elections to Rajya Sabha and Legislative Councils - Regarding.

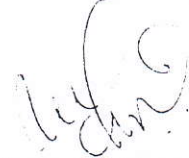
Sir/Madam,

I am directed to state that some States have enquired whether the violet sketch pens, manufactured by Mysore Paints & Varnish Limited, Karnataka, being used for marking preference on ballot papers in elections to Rajya Sabha and Legislative Council will be procured by the States directly from the manufacturing firm or will be supplied by the Commission.

2. In this regards, I am directed to invite your attention to para 6 of the Commission's letter No. 322/INST/2016/B&E, dated 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2016, wherein it was clearly mentioned that the CEOs should procure these pens only from the aforesaid manufacture for use in elections. Hence, the Chief Electoral Officers are requested to place order for integrated violet color sketch pens directly to M/s Mysore Paints & Varnish Limited, Mysore, Karnataka, for the purpose of marking preference on ballot papers in elections in Rajya Sabha and Legislative Council Elections in the State.

3. The Mysore Paints & Varnish Limited, Karnataka is also requested to supply the integrated violet color sketch pens to the States/UTs, whenever they place order to the firm, as per the specifications mentioned in the Commission's letter of even number, dated 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 (copy enclosed).

Yours faithfully,



(Madhusudan Gupta)  
Under Secretary

Handwritten notes: 5/6/17

By Speed Post/email

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. 54/2/2017/EMS / 485

Dated: 07 June, 2017

To

The Managing Director,  
Mysore Paints & Varnish Ltd.,  
New Bannimantap Extension,  
Mysuru - 570015  
Karnataka.

Subject: Supply of specially designed pens for Presidential Elections – regarding.

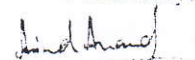
Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. MPVI/MKTG/2017-18/668 dated 02.06.2017 on the subject cited above and to state that the Commission has approved the sample of specially designed pens for the Presidential Elections with the following specifications/modifications:

- 1) Pen is 'use and throw' (non-refillable)
- 2) ECI name with logo is printed.
- 3) Sl. No. shall be unique for each pen.
- 4) Ink colour is violet.
- 5) Nib is currently possible to open. This should be sealed.
- 6) The colour of the pen body should be grey with "Election Commission of India" printed in black.
- 7) The colour of the pen cap should also be grey with "ECI logo" printed.
- 8) Remove "(For Marking Preference on Ballot Paper Only)" as printed on sample.
- 9) Remove "Manufactured by Mysore Paints & Varnish Ltd. (A Govt. of Karnataka Undertaking)" as printed on sample.

I am directed to request you to supply 1000 pens with above specifications for the Presidential Elections urgently & latest by 15.06.2017. The Invoice/Bill (in triplicate) of the same may also be furnished along with pens.

Yours faithfully,

  
(ARVIND ANAND)  
SECRETARY

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