## ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001.

No.56/10/2015/PPS-II

Dated:18<sup>th</sup> March, 2016

To

The Chief Electoral Officers of,

- i) Assam, Dispur,
- ii) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
- iii) Tamil Nadu, Chennai
- iv) West Bengal, Kolkata.
- v) Puducherry, Puducherry.

Sub:- Allotment of reserved symbols under para 10 of the Election Symbols (Reservation & Allotment) Order, 1968. – Jharkhand Mukti Morcha and Shivsena- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that for the current general election in Bihar, Jharkhand Mukti Morcha, a recognized State party in the State of Jharkhand and Shivsena, a recognized State party in the State of Maharashtra have submitted applications under Para 10 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968 seeking concession of their reserved symbol 'Bow and Arrow' in respect of current general election to the Legislative Assemblies of Assam, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and Puducherry from all the 126(One hundred Twenty Six for Assam), all the 294(Two hundred ninety four for West Bengal), all the 140(One hundred forty for Kerala), all the 234(Two hundred thirty four for Tamil Nadu) and all the 30 (Thirty for Puducherry) assembly constituencies of the respective States.

Both of these parties have <u>same</u> reserved symbol i.e. 'Bow and Arrow'. Therefore, the Commission has decided that in the Assembly Constituencies where Jharkhand Mukti Morcha duly sets up its candidates under Para 13 of the Symbols Order but Shivsena has not set up any candidate, the symbol 'Bow and Arrow' shall be allotted to the candidates of Jharkhand Mukti Morcha under Para 10 of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968.

2. Likewise, in the Assembly Constituencies, where **Shivsena** duly sets up its candidates under Para 13 of the Symbols Order but Jharkhand Mukti Morcha has not set up any candidate, the symbol **'Bow and Arrow'** shall be allotted to the candidate of **Shivsena** under Para 10 of the Symbols Order.

3. In those Constituencies where **both** the parties set up their candidates, the symbol 'Bow and Arrow' shall <u>not</u> be allotted to candidates set up by either of the two parties. The candidates of these parties in such constituencies shall be allotted free symbols from the list of free symbols as per provisions of the Para 12 of the Symbols Order, 1968.

Yours faithfully

(VARINDER KUMAR) SECRETARY

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- The President, Jharkhand Mukti Morcha, Bariatu Road, Ranchi-834009. 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. The President, Shivsena, Shivsena Bhavan, 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

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