## Election Matter Most Urgent

#### GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT COORDINATION BRANCH DELHI SECRETARIAT, I.P.ESTATE, NEW DELHI-110002

No.F.51/07/2015/GAD/CN/dsgadiii/278-284

Dated: 04.02.2015

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The Director, Dte. of Information & Publicity, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Sectt. Delhi.

Sub: Grant of holiday on 07.02.2015 for the General Election to the Delhi Legislative Assembly, 2015 – Issue of Public Notice in the Newspapers on 05.02.2015.

Sir

I am directed to enclose herewith a Public Notice in English and Hindi version regarding grant of holiday on the day of poll on 07/02/2015 for the General Election to the Delhi Legislative Assembly, 2015, under Section 135B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, to every person employed in any business, trade, industrial undertakings or any other establishment who is entitled to vote.

It is requested that the aforesaid Notice may be published as public Notice in the leading newspapers, English (Three), Hindi (Three), Punjabi (Two) and Urdu (Two) on 05/02/2015. This may also be given wide publicity as a News Item on Radio and TV before the day of poll i.e. 07/02/2015.

The payment will be made by GAD.

Yours faithfully

(Amitabh Kundoo) Dy. Secretary (GAD) Dated:04.02.2015

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- 1. The Pr. Secretary to Lt. Governor, Delhi.
- All Pr. Secretaries/Secretaries/HODs, Head of Autonomous Bodies & Public Sector Undertakings, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- 3. Heads of all Local Bodies, New Delhi/Delhi
- 4. The Chief Electoral Officer, Delhi.
- 5. The Commissioner (Labour), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, with the request that the contents of the Public Notice may be brought to the notice of all establishments, factories, other business establishments to ensure that the employees working in such establishments who are entitled to vote in the coming election to Delhi Legislative Assembly, 2015 are granted holiday so that they are able to cast their vote in the Election on 07.02.2015.

OSD to Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi. б.

(Amitabh Kundoo) Dy. Secretary (GAD)

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

#### **GENERAL ELECTION TO THE DELHI LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2015**

It is notified for information of the General Public that as per the provision of Section 135 B(1) of the Representation of the People Act 1951, every person employed in any business, trade, industrial undertaking or any other establishment and entitled to vote, shall be granted a <u>holiday on 07.02.2015</u> (Saturday), the day of Poll in Delhi, so that he/ she can cast his/ her vote in the election to the Delhi Legislative Assembly, 2015.

As per sub-section (2) of section 135 B of the Representation of the People Act 1951, no deduction or abatement of the wages shall be made on account of above holiday and if any person is employed on the basis that he/ she would not ordinarily receive wages for such a day, he/ she shall nonetheless be paid wages he/ she would have drawn had not a holiday been granted to him/ her on that day.

Any contravention of the above provision by an employer is punishable as per the Provision of section 135 B (3) of the Representation of People Act, 1951.

However, as per sub-section (4) of section 135 B of the Representation of the People Act 1951, this section shall not apply to any elector whose absence may cause danger or substantial loss in respect of the employment in which he is engaged.

It is further brought to the notice of all concerned that Election Commission of India vide letter No. 78/2015/EPS/575 dated 20.01.2015 has clarified that <u>all establishments and shops</u> including those which work on shift basis shall be closed on the day of poll in the Constituency where a General election is to be held. Further, there may be cases where a person is ordinarily resident of the constituency and registered as an elector, may be serving/ employed in an industrial undertaking or an establishment located outside the constituency having a general election, in such a situation even those electors including casual workers working outside the constituency concerned would be entitled to the benefit of a paid holiday extended under section 135 B (1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951. The daily wage /casual workers are also entitled for a holiday and wages on poll day as provided in section 135 B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

(Amitabh Kundoo) Dy. Secretary (GAD)