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STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, ORISSA
SAMABAYA BHAWAN, JANAPATH, UNIT-IX, BHUBANESWAR

ORDER

The 26th December 2006

No. 5396-SEC.—Whereas, the superintendence, direction and control of all election to Panchayats in the State are vested in the State Election Commission by Article 243-K of the Constitution of India ;

And whereas, to ensure fairness in conduct of the election, each candidate contesting for the office of Sarpanch, Panchayat Samiti Member and Zilla Parishad Member, the State Election Commission in exercise of its power vested under Article 243-K of the Constitution directs that candidate contesting for the office of Sarpanch, Panchayat Samiti Member and Zilla Parishad Member shall use the following number(s) of vehicle for their electioneering. The candidate for Ward Member cannot use any vehicle for electioneering.

A contesting candidate shall use maximum for the office of Sarpanch and Panchayat Samiti Member **one jeep/car and two numbers of two wheelers, for the office of Zilla Parishad Member two jeeps/cars and four numbers of two wheelers for their electioneering. In other words, total number of motor vehicles including two/three wheelers to be used by a contesting candidate for the post of Sarpanch or Panchayat Samiti Member shall not exceed three and for the post of Zilla Parishad Member it shall not exceed six. Any contesting candidate in lieu of four wheelers motor vehicle may use three wheelers within the maximum number prescribed.** The candidate for Zilla Parishad shall intimate type of motor vehicle, its registration number and the name of the owner to the Election Officer namely, the Sub-Collector and the candidate for the Panchayat Samiti Member and Sarpanch to the Block Development Officer from the date of deployment of the vehicle in his electioneering. He shall submit this information in triplicate

to the Sub-Collector/Block Development Officer; one copy of which will be sent to the nearest motor vehicle authority, one copy will be retained by the concerned Election Officer and the other copy with signature and official seal will be returned to the candidate. The candidate or his agent will be required to enter the number of vehicles used by him in the day to day account register. On required by the Expenditure Observer or any authorized Officer of the Election Officer, the contesting candidate will be required to produce this register for verification at any time during the period of electioneering. The expenditure on the vehicle shall be inclusive of the limit fixed for the candidate. Motor vehicles used for electioneering shall be released before 36 (thirty-six) hours of commencement of the poll and the Election Officer shall be intimated.

Violation of this order will attract violation of Model Code of Conduct issued by the State Election Commission.

This order comes to force with immediate effect.

By order and in the name of
State Election Commission, Orissa

F. C. SATAPATHY

Secretary