

**GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
WEST SIANG DISTRICT
AALO**

**Subject: Panchayat Elections West Siang'2013: Guidelines for Conduct of
Government Servants regarding...**

NO.WSDC/DEO(PR) -2013

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C I R C U L A R

The General Elections to Panchayats, West Siang except (7 Tirbin and 7A Tirbin Anchal Samities)are to be held on 16/5/2013. In this regard it is to inform that the conduct of Government Servants in relation to an Election should be strictly impartial. In view of ensuing Election, the following instructions are issued and reiterated for strict compliance and observance by all concerned.

1. No person on election duty do any act for the furtherance of the prospects of the election of any candidate. And no member of a police force shall endeavour to persuade or dissuade or influence any person at an election. Any person who is found guilty shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to 6 months or with fine or with both. In case of police force such electoral offence is cognizable. (Refer Section 127 of APPR Act, 1997).

2. As per the Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, no Government servant shall be a member of or be otherwise associated with, any political party or any organization which take part in politics and that nor shall a Government servant take part in, subscribe in aid of, or assist in any other manner, any political movement or activity. Further, no Government servant shall canvass or otherwise interfere with, or use his influence in connection with or take part in an election to any Legislature or local authority.

3. The Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affair, has laid down with regard to the question of participating of Government Servants in political activities that the responsibility for the consequences of the action of Govt Servants must rest squarely on his shoulders and that plea of ignorance or misconception with respect to activities of any organisation or association would not be tenable. It has also been laid down by the Govt

of India that Govt Servant's attendance at the meeting organised by political parties would always be contrary to the Conduct Rules unless certain conditions are fulfilled. The Government Servants should, therefore, avoid giving room for any suspicion that they are favouring any party or any candidate. The Govt Servants are not expected to take part in any election campaign or canvassing for any candidate. The Govt Servants should conduct themselves in such a manner to inspire confidence in the public in regard to their impartiality. The Govt Servants should not only be impartial but should also appear to be so in relation to the elections.

4. The provisions of the relevant Act/Rules and guidelines given above must be strictly followed by all the Govt. Servants. And violation or disregard to the provisions and instructions by any Govt. Servant would be considered as a serious act of indiscipline and penal action will be taken against the guilty.

5. All Heads of Offices are also directed not to grant any kind of leave to any Govt. Servant without prior permission of the District Election Officer till completion of Panchayat Elections' 2013.

6. Contents of the Circular should be brought to the notice of all the Government employees.

7. Receipt of the circular should be acknowledged.

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To,
All Heads of Departments/Offices, West Siang District.

Copy for information to:

1. PS to State Election Commissioner, Arunachal Pradesh
2. PS to Chief Secretary, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh.

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