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From

Sri R.N.Sahu, IAS

Secretary

To

All District Magistrates

Sub: General Elections to Urban Local Bodies, 2022- providing facilities for voters with disabilities

Madam/ Sir,

I am directed to say that in the forthcoming General Elections to Urban Local Bodies-2022, the following facilities may be arranged in all the booths for hassle free voting by persons with disabilities:

- i. Presence of ramps may be ensured in all the booths.
- ii. At least one wheelchair may be arranged in every booth/ location.
- iii. Two NSS Volunteers may be deployed per booth/ location, depending on their availability, to assist the Pwd voters. Each Volunteer may be paid Rs.100/- towards lunch arrangement, and issued a certificate under the signature of Election Officer, after completion of poll.
- iv. A voter with disabilities may be given preference over the other voters waiting in queue
- v. Blind and Infirm voters can take the help of companion as provided in the Municipal Rules.
- vi. The EVM Ballot Unit has Braille numeral stickers on it. The Presiding Officer may read out the serial numbers of candidates and their party affiliation, if a person with visual impairment, wishes to cast his/ her vote without the help of a companion.

Yours faithfully,

26.2.22
Secretary

Memo No. 3784 / SEC dated 26/02/2022

Copy forwarded to all Election Officers for information and necessary action.

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26/2/22
Secretary