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To

The Chief Electoral Officers of
All States/UTs.

Subject: General Election to the Lok Sabha, 2009 – Carrying of copy of electoral rolls inside the polling station by polling agents – Regarding.

Sir/Madam,

It has been brought to the notice of the Commission that in some polling station the Presiding Officer did not allow the polling agents to carry the copy of electoral roll supplied to them through the candidate/political parties and make tick marks whenever voters cast their votes. A clarification has been sought by some of the Observers as to whether polling agents can be allowed to make tick marks in the copies available with them or not. In this regard, the Commission clarifies that the polling agents may be allowed to carry their copy of electoral rolls inside the polling station and make tick marks whenever voters cast their vote.

However, it is clarified that under no circumstances, the polling agents can be allowed to carry the electoral roll copy available with him outside the polling station during the course of the polling and till the polling is closed either by himself or through the relieving agent. It is also clarified that, under no circumstances, the agents can be allowed to send slips outside indicating the Serial Numbers of the voters who have voted or not voted.

This may be brought to the notice of all concerned.

Yours faithfully

(SUMIT MUKHERJEE)