



BRUHATH BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

O/o Chief Commissioner, BBMP & District Election Officer, Bangalore District
N.R.Square, Bangalore: 560002

No: AC/ELN/PR/235/2022-23

Date: 17-12-2022.

Preamble:-

Ref: ECI communication to Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka
Letter No. 23/KT/2022 dated: 16.12.2022.

Whereas, vide reference as mentioned Election Commission of India directed the District Election Officer to take adequate measure to ensure that any potential capture of data by any private agency by way of house to house survey, use of misleading I-cards, any attempt of voter data collection either by private entity or otherwise any authentication/NOC by DEOs/EROs to any private entity is strictly prohibited;

As per provision in Indian Penal Code 1860 (IPC), any private entity/ individual/NGO/Trust collecting information from public posing as official authorized by ECI/DEO to collect personal information is likely to attract penal section for personating a public servant under section 170 IPC;

Further, any such collection of information is likely to breach the confidentiality and privacy and section 72 of Information Technology Act, 2000 has the provision of penalty for this;

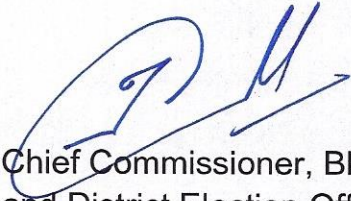
Whereas, the action by the private entity may cause misinformation, likely breach of above mentioned law and like to cause adverse effect in ongoing electoral roll revision and to prevent adverse effect on public, I, Tushar Giri Nath, IAS, District Election Officer, Bangalore District do hereby pass the following order.

ORDER No: AC/ELN/PR/235/2022-23, Bangalore, Date: 17-12-2022.

1. All activities related to any potential capture of data by any private agency by way of house to house survey, use of misleading I-cards, any attempt of voter data collection either by private entity is prohibited in the jurisdiction of DEO, Bangalore.
2. No authentication/ NOC shall be issued by any ADEOs/EROs to private entity, NGO, Trust or Private individual for potential capture of data by way of house to house survey, use of misleading I-cards, any attempt of voter data collection either by private entity or otherwise.

3. It is further brought to the knowledge of public that if they come across any such activities, a complaint may be raised to this office in toll free number 1950.
4. Stringent action will be taken under relevant statute and laws including mentioned above and if necessary, action will be taken under section 188 of IPC against private entity, individual, NGO, Trust for capturing the data by way of house to house survey, use of misleading I-cards, any attempt of voter data collection either by private entity or otherwise.

All ADEOs and EROs are directed to ensure the compliance of the direction of Election Commission of India in their jurisdiction and take prompt action as ordered above.


Chief Commissioner, BBMP
and District Election Officer,
Bangalore District.
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Copy to:

1. Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka for information.
2. Commissioner of Police, Bengaluru with a request to circulate to all concerned officers for information and necessary action.
3. Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate, Bangalore Urban for necessary action.
4. ADEO (BBMP(North), BBMP(South), BBMP(Central) & Bengaluru Urban) for necessary action.
5. All 28 EROs of Bangalore District for necessary action.
6. Director (IT) BBMP to host in the BBMP Website, for necessary action.
7. Office copy.