Letter No. ADR04/RTI/ECI– RUPPs FY 24-25/01

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To

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Election Commission of India

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road,

New Delhi – 110001

Sub: Application for information under Section 6(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 on the certificate issued to the Registered Unrecognised Political Parties (RUPPs) for claiming tax exemption under Section 13A of the Income Tax Act, 1961 for FY 2024-25.

Dear Sir,

According to the Rule 85B of the Conduct of Rules, 1961: *The report for a financial year under sub-section (1) of section 29C shall be submitted in Form 24A by the treasurer of a political party or any other person authorised by the political party in this behalf, before the due date for furnishing a return of its income of that financial year under section 139 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961), to the Election Commission."*

The heading of the Form 24A (format of the contribution report for annual submission by a political party) says: *This Form should be filed with the Election Commission before the due date for furnishing a return of the political party's income of the concerned financial year under section 139 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961)* ***and a certificate to this effect should be attached*** *with the income-tax to claim exemption under the Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961)*.

Please find below a table on the top ten RUPPs as per donations declared for the FY 2024-25:

Status of submission of contribution reports of RUPPs, FY 2024-25				
S. No.	**State**	**Registered Unrecognised Political Party (RUPP)**	**Party formation year**	**Total donations (Above Rs 20,000) (in Rs lakhs)**
1	Gujarat	New India United Party	August 2018	29163.40
2	Gujarat	Swatantrata Abhivyakti Party	March 2021	22880.98
3	Rajasthan	Bhartiya Garib Vikas Kalyan Party	January 2024	17004.45
4	Delhi	Jan Suraaj Party	August 2023	9920.08
5	Karnataka	Youth India Peace Party	Year 2018	936.71
6	Bihar	Rashtriya Jansambhavna Party	October 2017	5547.056
7	Bihar	Bharatiya Jantantra Sanrakshan Vikas Party	Year 2019	5126.39

8	Delhi	Samata Party	October 1994	5096.07
9	Bihar	Prabal Bharat Party	October 2019	2987.011
10	Haryana	Rashtriya Vikas Party	December 2002	2499.43

Kindly provide the following information:

1. What is the "certificate to this effect" referred to in Form 24A?
2. Who is responsible for issuing/providing the said certificate to a RUPP, after submission of its contribution report in Form 24A under Rule 85B of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961?
3. Under which rule, instruction, circular or order is the aforesaid certificate issued to a RUPP?
4. Whether such certificates were issued/provided to the ten parties mentioned in the above table for the FY 2024-25?
5. List the names of all RUPPs to whom this certificate was issued in the FY 2024-25 to claim tax exemption under the Income Tax Act, 1961.
6. List of all RUPPs out of all RUPPs registered with ECI, to whom the aforesaid certificate was not issued during FY 2024-25 due to non-submission of the annual account and other required documents.

I have made a payment of Rs 10/ towards application fees as prescribed. Kindly intimate me the additional fees payable, if any. I would like to receive the aforesaid information by registered post on my office address given below.

The above information may kindly also be provided to me by e-mail on two email IDs: shellym@adrindia.org; adr@adrindia.org

Yours sincerely,

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