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No 76/EE/2001/J.S.III


To

The President/General Secretary of
all recognised political parties.

Subject:
Account of election expenses incurred by the party in connection with the
general elections to the House of the People and State Legislative
Assemblies.

Sir,

I am directed to say that in terms of the Supreme Court Judgement dated
4th April, 1996, in Common Cause Vs Union of India & Others (AIR 1996 SC 3081), the
Commission calls for the statements of expenditure incurred by recognised political
parties at general elections to the House of the People and State Legislative Assemblies,
for its scrutiny.

It has come to the notice of the Commission that in some cases, expenses
incurred by the State / District level units of political parties are not reflected in the
statements filed by them before the Commission. In the absence of the same, the
Commission cannot conduct any worthwhile scrutiny of these statements. It is, therefore,
reiterated that the statement filed by a party should fully reflect the expenses incurred by
all units of the party including expenses incurred by Committee, by whatever name called
from the top to the district / constituency level of the party. It may also be noted that the
format has to be duly filled up in all respects.

Further, expenditure incurred by the party on individual candidates is
required to be shown in Part-D of the Format. This information should be furnished in
respect of each candidate individually, on whom the party or any of its units at any level,
means any expenditure, to facilitate cross-checking / scrutiny vis-a-vis the returns of
expenses maintained and filed by individual candidates under sections 77 and 78 of the
Representation of the People Act, 1951. Similarly, information regarding lump-sum amount, if any, given to individual candidates is required to be given in Part-I of the format. This information should also be given separately for each candidate.

In order that the statements filed by the political parties give all the required details and are self-contained in all the above aspects, the Commission has slightly amplified the format in which the above statements are to be filed by them at future elections. A copy of the revised format is forwarded herewith for your information and necessary action.

Further, the statements of expenditure at all future elections should be submitted in the format enclosed herewith (within 45 days) after the date fixed for completion of the election concerned.

The Commission has also decided that henceforth, the statement of accounts of political parties in connection with general elections will be placed in public domain in the manner it thinks fit.

It hardly needs to be stressed that this is a lawful direction of the Commission under Article 321 of the Constitution and in terms of the judgement dated 4th April, 1996, of the Supreme Court of India in Common Cause Vs. Union of India & Others (AIR 1996 SC 3081).

The receipt of this letter together with its enclosure may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

(K.J. Rao)
SECRETARY

4. period extended upto 90 days for Lok Sabha elections
   and 15 days for Legislative Assembly elections.
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GENERAL ELECTION TO UTTAR PRADESH
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

All the 8 National Parties contested the election. Out of 8 parties 4 parties viz. Bharatiya Janata Party, Communist Party of India (Marxist), Janata Party and Janata Dal have not filed the returns of expenditure.

2. Two State Parties contested the General Election of Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly. Both the State Parties viz. Samajwadi Party, Bahujan Samaj Party have filed the returns of expenditure.

3. 65 Registered un-Recognised political parties set up candidates at the General Election. Out of 65 Registered un-Recognised political parties 50 have filed the returns of expenditure.

GENERAL ELECTION TO JAMMU & KASHMIR
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Six National Parties contested the election. Out of 6 parties 3 parties viz. Bharatiya Janata Party, Communist Party of India and Janata Dal have not filed the returns of expenditure.


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3. Two Registered un-recognised parties set up candidates at the General Election. Both the Registered un-recognised parties viz., All India Minorities Front, Jammu & Kashmir Akali Party have not filed the returns of expenditure.

GENERAL ELECTION TO PUNJAB LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

1. In all 7 National Parties contested the election. Out of 7 parties, 3 parties viz., Bharatiya Janata Party, Communist Party of India (Marxist), Janata Party have not filed the returns of expenditure.

2. Two State Parties contested the General Election of Punjab Legislative Assembly. Both have filed the returns of expenditure.

3. 18 Registered un-Recognised parties set up candidates at the General Election. Out of 18 registered un-recognised parties, 12 have filed the returns of expenditure.

For full information at present, we'll take necessary action on return of file.
3. Two Registered un-recognised parties set up candidates at the General Election. Both the Registered un-recognised parties viz. All India Minorities Front, Jammu & Kashmir Muslim Party have not filed the returns of expenditure.

GENERAL ELECTION TO PUNJAB LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

1. All 7 National Parties contested the election. Out of 7 parties, 3 parties viz. Bharatiya Janata Party, Communist Party of India (Marxist), Janata Party have not filed the returns of expenditure.

2. 20 State Parties contested the General Election of Punjab Legislative Assembly. Both the State Parties have filed the returns of expenditure.

3. 18 Registered un-Recognised parties set up candidates at the General Election. Out of 18 registered un-recognised parties, 2 have filed the returns of expenditure.
2. Two Registered un-recognised parties set up candidates at the General Election. Both the Registered un-recognised parties, viz., All India Minorities Front, Jammu & Kashmir National Party have not filed the returns of expenditure.

GENERAL ELECTION TO PUNJAB LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

1. In all 7 National Parties contested the election. Out of 7 parties, 3 parties, viz., Bharatiya Janata Party, Communist Party of India (Marxist), Janata Party have not filed the returns of expenditure.

2. Two State Parties contested the General Election of Punjab Legislative Assembly. Both the State Parties have filed the returns of expenditure.

3. Four un-recognised parties set up candidates at the General Election. Out of 18 registered un-recognised parties, 12 have filed the returns of expenditure.

For kind information at present,
We'll take consequent action on return of files. It is suggested that return the list of only 2 reognised parties.

EC (H) - Ontario
EC (M) - Others
EC (E) - Others
# ANNEXURE

## STATEMENT OF ELECTION EXPENDITURE

General Election(s) to the __________________________

Name of political party : __________________________

### A. Details of Election Expenditure incurred/authorized at National/Central headquarters

#### Part-I

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Part II

Expenditure incurred/authorised (at National/Central Level) on General Party Propaganda

A. Publicity

(1) Printed materials, like manifesto, pamphlets, posters, handbills, etc. Rs. 

(2) Electronic media (including hiring time slots sports, etc., in private channels) 

(3) Making and distribution of video films. 

(4) Making and distributions of audio cassettes. 

(5) Advertisements in newspapers, magazines, souvenirs etc. 

(6) Cut-outs, hoardlings, banners, flags, arches, gates, etc. 

(7) Through any other means. 

Total: 

B. Expenses on travel of leaders of the party covered by ‘Explanations 1 & 2’ under section 77 (1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 for propagating programmatic of the party 

I. Travel Expenses

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers 

(2) Trains 

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc. 

(4) Animal transport 

Total: 

2
II. Other Expenses:

(1) Expenses on boarding and lodging

(2) Other Misc. expenses

Total:

C. Travel Expenses of Leaders and workers other than those covered under item 'B' above

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers

(2) Trains

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.

(4) Animal transport

(5) Expenses on accommodation, etc.

Total:

D. Other Expenses:

(1) Maintenance and running of party/campaign office

(2) Public meetings

(3) Processions

(4) Other Misc. expenses (please specify)

Total:

Grand Total:
B. Details of Election Expenditure incurred or authorised at State Level

Name of State: ____________________________

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Expenditure incurred/authorized (at State Level) on General Party Propaganda

A. Publicity

(1) Printed materials, like manifesto, pamphlets, posters, handbills, etc.  

(2) Electronic media (including hiring time slots sports, etc., in private channels)  

(3) Making and distribution of video films.  

(4) Making and distributions of audio cassettes.  

(5) Advertisements in newspapers, magazines, souvenirs etc.  

(6) Cut-outs, hoardings, banners, flags, arches, gates, etc.  

(7) Through any other means.  

Total: ____________________________

B. Expenses on travel of leaders of the party covered by ‘Explanations 1 & 2’ under section 77 (1) of the representation of the People Act, 1951 for propagating programme of the party

I. Travel Expenses

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers  

(2) Trains  

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.  

(4) Animal transport  

Total: ____________________________
II. Other Expenses:

(1) Expenses on boarding and lodging

(2) Other Misc. expenses

Total:

C. Travel Expenses of Leaders and workers other than those covered under Item ‘B’ above

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers

(2) Trains

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.

(4) Animal transport

(5) Expenses on accommodation, etc.

Total:

D. Other Expenses:

(1) Maintenance and running of party/campaign office

(2) Public meetings

(3) Processions

(4) Other Misc. expenses (please specify)

Total:

Grand Total:
C. Details of Election Expenditure incurred District Level including expenses by any Committee, by whatever name called.

Name of the District: ________________________________

Part-I

1 Opening balance of party funds in whatever manner held as on the date of announcement (at District level).

2 Total receipts (at District level) from all sources from date of announcement to _______ (date of completion of elections).
   (a) Donations, etc., received in cash
   (b) Amount received by Cheque/DD, etc.

   Total:

3 Total expenditure (at District level) from date of announcement to _______ (date of completion of elections).

4 (a) Expenses incurred in cash
   (b) Expenses incurred through Cheque/DD, etc.
   (c) Expenses authorized, but remaining unpaid

   Total:

5 Closing balance (at District level) as on _______ (date of completion of elections)
Part II

Expenditure incurred/authorised (at District Level) on General Party Propaganda

A. Publicity

(1) Printed materials, like manifesto, pamphlets, posters, handbills, etc.  

(2) Electronic media (including hiring time slots sports, etc., in private channels)  

(3) Making and distribution of video films.  

(4) Making and distributions of audio cassettes.  

(5) Advertisements in newspapers, magazines, souvenirs etc.  

(6) Cut-outs, hoardlings, banners, flags, arches, gates, etc.  

(7) Through any other means.  

Total: 

Rs.

B. Expenses on travel of leaders of the party covered by ‘Explanations 1 & 2’ under section 77 (1) of the representation of the People Act, 1951 for propagating programme of the party.

I. Travel Expenses

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers  

(2) Trains  

(3) Aircrafi/helicopters/ships, etc.  

(4) Animal transport  

Total: 

8
II. Other Expenses:

(1) Expenses on boarding and lodging

(2) Other Misc. expenses

Total:

C. Travel Expenses of Leaders and workers other than those covered under Item 'B' above

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers

(2) Trains

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.

(4) Animal transport

(5) Expenses on accommodation, etc.

Total:

D. Other Expenses:

(1) Maintenance and running of party/campaign office

(2) Public meetings

(3) Processions

(4) Other Misc. expenses (please specify)

Total:

Grand Total:
D. Expenditure on Individual Candidates

Name of the State and constituency

Name of the candidate

A. Publicity

(1) Printed materials, like manifestos, pamphlets, posters, handbills, etc. Rs. 

(2) Electronic media (including hiring time slots sports, etc., in private channels) 

(3) Making and distribution of video films. 

(4) Making and distributions of audio cassettes. 

(5) Advertisements in newspapers, magazines, souvenirs etc. 

(6) Cut-outs, hoardings, banners, flags, arches, gates, etc. 

(7) Through any other means. Total: 

D. Travel Expenses of leaders (covered by ‘Explanations 1 & 2’ of section 77 (1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951)

(i)

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers 

(2) Trains 

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc. 

(4) Animal transport Total(1+2+3+4): 

(ii) Expenses on their accommodation, etc. Total: 

C. Travel Expenses of Leaders and workers

(i)

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers

(2) Trains

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.

(4) Animal transport

(ii)

Expenses on their accommodation etc.

Total: ______________________

D. Other Expenses:

(1) Maintenance and running of party/campaign office

(2) Public meetings

(3) Processions

(4) Other Misc. expenses (please specify)

Total: ______________________

Grand Total: ______________________
ABSTRACT

(a) Total Expenditure incurred at National / Central headquarters

(b) Total Expenditure incurred at State(s) Level

(c) Total Expenditure incurred at District(s) Level

(d) Total Expenditure incurred on individual candidates

Grand Total

E. Mechanism by which expenditure was incurred by the party

1. Please furnish names and addresses of party functionaries who were authorised to incur expenditure for the party at -

   (a) National level
   (b) State level
   (c) District level
   (d) Constituency level

2. Does the party give a lump sum amount to its candidates for the elections?
   If yes, then please furnish the names of all such candidates, constituency-wise, and the lump sum amount given to each of them.

3. Does the party print its posters in a centralised way and thereafter distribute it in various constituencies?
   If yes, please furnish the names and address of the presses where such posters were printed, number of posters printed, their costs, number of posters distributed in each constituency.

4. Does the party hire aircrafts/helicopters for its campaign?
   If yes, please intimate the companies/agencies from whom these have been hired and the amount paid.
   Please also state the flight details undertaken and the constituencies visited through these aircrafts/helicopters and the costs for each flight.

(Signature of authorized person)
To

The Presidents/General Secretaries of,
All recognised National and State Parties.

Subject: Furnishing of return on election expenses by recognised political parties for the
General Election to the Lok Sabha and the Legislative Assemblies of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Orissa and Sikkim

Sir,

I am directed to invite your attention to the Commission’s letter of even number
dated 27.12.2001 on the subject cited, containing directions to furnish the return of election
expenses incurred by the party in connection with all general elections to Legislative
Assemblies/House of People in the format enclosed therewith within 60 days after the date
fixed for completion of elections.

2. The Commission has now revised the format for furnishing accounts of election
expenses of political parties. A copy of the revised format is enclosed herewith.

3. Schedule for General election to the Lok Sabha and the Legislative Assemblies
of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Orissa and Sikkim have already been announced by the
ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA
Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

16/EE/2007/JS-III

Dated, 13th January 2009

To

The Presidents/General Secretaries of
All recognised National and State Parties

Sub:- Furnishing of return of election expenses by recognised political parties for the
General Election to the House of People and the Legislative Assemblies of
States/UTs.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your attention to the Commission’s letters of even no. dated
27.12.2001 and 22.3.2004, on the subject cited, containing directions to furnish the statement
of election expenses incurred by the party in connection with all general elections to the
Legislative Assemblies/House of the People within 60 days after the date fixed for completion
of elections.

2. There have been request from some political parties for extending the time limit for
filling the statement on the ground that compiling information from different areas/levels takes
time.

3. The Commission has examined the issue and has decided to extend the time limit for
furnishing of statement of election expenses incurred by the political parties and has directed
that the statement of election expenses at general election to the House of the People should
be submitted to the Commission within 90 days after the date fixed for completion of the
election and the statement in respect of general elections to the Legislative Assemblies of
States/UTs should be filled with the Commission within 75 days after the date fixed for
completion of elections.

4. The other conditions mentioned in the letters referred to above, remain unchanged.
You are advised to ensure that the above mentioned time limit is strictly adhered to by your
party, in all future general elections.

5. Kindly acknowledge the receipt.

Yours faithfully

(K F WILLIAMS)
SECRETARY
Commission on 29.02.2004. It may be noted that the account of election expenses incurred by the party in connection with the general elections during the period from 29.02.2004 till the completion of elections should be submitted in the revised format within 60 days after completion of the elections.

4. Receipt of this letter may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

(K. F. WILFRED)
SECRETARY
ANNEXURE

STATEMENT OF ELECTION EXPENDITURE

General Election(s) to the ________________________________

Name of political party : ________________________________

A. Details of Election Expenditure incurred/authorised at National/Central headquarters

Part-I

1 Opening balance of party funds in whatever manner held as on the date of announcement (at national / Central level).

2 Total receipts (at national / Central level) from all sources from date of announcement to ________ (date of completion of elections).
   (a) Donations, etc., received in cash
   (b) Amount received by Cheque/DD, etc.

Total :

3 Total expenditure incurred / authorized (at national / Central level) from date of announcement to ________ (date of completion of elections).

4 (a) Expenses incurred in cash
   (b) Expenses incurred through Cheque/DD, etc.
   (c) Expenses authorized, but remaining unpaid

Total :

5 Closing balance (at national / Central level) as on ________ (date of completion of elections)
Part II

Expenditure incurred/authorised (at National/Central Level) on General Party
Propaganda

A. Publicity

(1) Printed materials, like manifesto, pamphlets, posters, handbills, etc. Rs.

(2) Electronic media (including hiring time slots sports, etc., in private channels)

(3) Making and distribution of video films.

(4) Making and distributions of audio cassettes.

(5) Advertisements in newspapers, magazines, souvenirs etc.

(6) Cut-outs, hoardlings, banners, flags, arches, gates, etc.

(7) Through any other means.

Total:

B. Expenses on travel of leaders of the party covered by 'Explanations 1 & 2' under section 77 (1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 for propagating programme of the party

1. Travel Expenses

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers

(2) Trains

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.

(4) Animal transport

Total:
II. Other Expenses

(1) Expenses on boarding and lodging

(2) Other miscellaneous expenses

Total:

C. Travel Expenses of Leaders and workers other than those covered under item ‘B’ above

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers

(2) Trains

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.

(4) Animal transport

(5) Expenses on accommodation, etc.

Total:

D. Other Expenses:

(1) Maintenance and running of party/campaign office

(2) Public meetings

(3) Processions

(4) Other Misc. expenses (please specify)

Total:

Grand Total:
B. Details of Election Expenditure incurred or authorised at State Level

Name of State: ________________________________

Part-I

1. Opening balance of party funds in whatever manner held as on the date of announcement (at State level).

2. Total receipts (at State level) from all sources from date of announcement to _________ (date of completion of elections).
   (a) Donations, etc. received in cash
   (b) Amount received by Cheque/DD, etc.

   Total: _____________________________

3. Total expenditure (at State level) from date of announcement to _________ (date of completion of elections).
   (a) Expenses incurred in cash
   (b) Expenses incurred through Cheque/DD, etc.
   (c) Expenses authorized but remaining unpaid

   Total: _____________________________

4. Closing balance (at State level) as on _________ (date of completion of elections)

   _____________________________
Part II

Expenditure incurred/authorised (at State Level) on General Party Propaganda

A. Publicity

(1) Printed materials, like manifesto, pamphlets, posters, handbills, etc. ________________________

(2) Electronic media (including hiring time slots sports, etc., in private channels) ________________

(3) Making and distribution of video films. ________________________

(4) Making and distributions of audio cassettes ________________________

(5) Advertisements in newspapers, magazines, souvenirs etc. ________________________

(6) Cut-outs, hoardlings, banners, flags, arches, gates, etc. ________________________

(7) Through any other means. ________________________

Total : ________________________

B. Expenses on travel of leaders of the party covered by ‘Explanations 1 & 2’ under section 77 (1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 for propagating programme of the party

1. Travel Expenses

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers ________________________

(2) Trains ________________________

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc. ________________________

(4) Animal transport ________________________

Total : ________________________
II. Other Expenses

(1) Expenses on boarding and lodging
   __________________________

(2) Other miscellaneous expenses
   __________________________

Total: ______________________

C. Travel Expenses of Leaders and workers other than those covered under item ‘B’ above

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers
   __________________________

(2) Trains
   __________________________

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.
   __________________________

(4) Animal transport
   __________________________

(5) Expenses on accommodation, etc.
   __________________________

Total: ______________________

D. Other Expenses:

(1) Maintenance and running of party/campaign office
   __________________________

(2) Public meetings
   __________________________

(3) Processions
   __________________________

(4) Other Misc. expenses (please specify)
   __________________________

Total: ______________________

Grand Total: __________________________
C. Details of Election Expenditure incurred at District Level including expenses by any Committee, by whatever name called.

Name of the District: ______________________

Part-I

1. Opening balance of party funds in whatever manner held as on the date of announcement (at District level).

2. Total receipts (at District level) from all sources from date of announcement to ________ (date of completion of elections).
   (a) Donations, etc., received in cash
   (b) Amount received by Cheque/DD, etc.
       Total:

3. Total expenditure (at District level) from date of announcement to ________ (date of completion of elections).
   (a) Expenses incurred in cash
   (b) Expenses incurred through Cheque/DD, etc.
   (c) Expenses authorized, but remaining unpaid
       Total:

4. Closing balance (at District level) as on ________
   (date of completion of elections)
Part I

Expenditure incurred/authorised (at District Level) on General Party Propaganda

A. Publicity

(1) Printed materials, like manifesto, pamphlets, posters, handbills, etc.  

(2) Electronic media (including hiring time slots sports, etc., in private channels)

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Total:

B. Expenses on travel of leaders of the party, covered by 'Explanations 1 & 2' under section 77 (1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 for propagating programme of the party

1. Travel Expenses

(1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers

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Total:
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(4) Animal transport

(5) Expenses on accommodation etc.

Total:

D. Other Expenses:

(1) Maintenance and running of party/campaign office

(2) Public meetings

(3) Processions

(4) Other Misc. expenses (please specify)

Total:

Grand Total:
D. Expenditure on Individual Candidates

Name of the State and constituency

Name of the candidate

A. Publicity

(1) Printed materials. Like manifesto, pamphlets, posters, handbills, etc.

(2) Electronic media (including hiring time slots sports, etc., in private channels)

(3) Making and distribution of video films.

(4) Making and distributions of audio cassettes.

(5) Advertisements in newspapers, magazines, souvenirs etc.

(6) Cut-outs, hoardlings, banners, flags, arches, gates, etc.

(7) Through any other means.

Total:

B. Travel Expenses of Leaders (covered by Explanation 1 and 2 of section 77(1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951)

(i) (1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers

(2) Trains

(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.

(4) Animal transport

Total (1+2+3+4):

(ii) Expenses on their accommodation, etc.

Total:
C. Travel Expenses of other Leaders and workers

(i) (1) On cars, other four wheelers, three wheelers and two wheelers
(2) Trains
(3) Aircraft/helicopters/ships, etc.
(4) Animal transport

(ii) Expenses on their accommodation, etc

Total:

D. Other Expenses:

(i) Maintenance and running of party/campaign office

(ii) Public meetings

(iii) Processions

(iv) Other Misc. expenses (please specify)

Total:

Grand Total:
ABSTRACT

(a) Total Expenditure incurred at National / Central headquarters

(b) Total Expenditure incurred at State(s) Level

(c) Total Expenditure incurred at District(s) Level

(d) Total Expenditure incurred on individual candidates

Grand Total

E. Mechanism by which expenditure was incurred by the party

1. Please furnish names and addresses of party functionaries who were authorised to incur expenditure for the party at -

(a) National level
(b) State level
(c) District level
(d) Constituency level

2. Does the party give a lump sum amount to its candidates for the elections?
   If yes, then please furnish the names of all such candidates, constituency-wise, and the lump sum amount given to each of them.

3. Does the party print its posters in a centralised way and thereafter distribute it in various constituencies?
   If yes, please furnish the names and address of the presses where such posters were printed, number of posters printed, their costs, number of posters distributed in each constituency.

4. Does the party hire aircrafts/helicopters for its campaign?
   If yes, please intimate the companies/agencies from whom these have been hired and the amount paid.
   Please also state the flight details undertaken and the constituencies visited through these aircrafts/helicopters and the costs for each flight.

(Signature of authorized person)
ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA
Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi 110001

Dated, 13th January 2009

The Presidents/General Secretaries of
All recognised National and State Parties

Subject: Furnishing of return of election expenses by recognised political parties for the
General Election to the House of People and the Legislative Assemblies of
States/UTs

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your attention to the Commission’s letters of even no. dated
27.12.2001 and 22.3.2004, on the subject cited, containing directions to furnish the statement
of election expenses incurred by the party in connection with all general elections to the
Legislative Assemblies/House of the People within 60 days after the date fixed for completion
of elections.

2. There have been requests from some political parties for extending the time limit for
filing the statement on the ground that compiling information from different areas/levels takes
more time.

3. The Commission has examined the issue and has decided to extend the time limit for
furnishing of statement of election expenses incurred by the political parties and has directed
that the statement of election expenses at general election to the House of the People should
be submitted to the Commission within 90 days after the date fixed for completion of the
election and the statement in respect of general elections to the Legislative Assemblies of
States/UTs should be filed with the Commission within 76 days after the date fixed for
completion of elections.

4. The other conditions mentioned in the letters referred to above, remain unchanged.
You are advised to ensure that the above mentioned time limit is strictly adhered to by your
party, in all future general elections.

5. Kindly acknowledge the receipt

Yours faithfully

(SIGNATURE)

K. P. WILLIAMS
SECRETARY