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# **ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

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No. 51/8/7/2016-EMS

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To

The Chief Electoral Officers of all States & Union Territories.

Sub:

Flex Board Voting Compartment 30" high on a table of 30" height - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letter of even number, dated 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2016, regarding Standardized Voting Compartment at Polling Stations, and to state that the Commission has directed that in order to maintain secrecy of vote at the time of poll and uniformity on use of voting compartments, in supersession of all earlier instructions on the subject cited, the following instructions shall be strictly adhered on use of Voting Compartment at Polling Stations –

- The voting compartments shall be made <u>only of corrugated plastic sheet (flex-board)</u> of steal grey colour, which is opaque and reusable.
- The Voting Compartment shall be in three folds, each fold having dimension of 24"X24"X30" (Length X Width X Height). Increase height of 30" is mandatory.
- All the three sides of the voting compartments shall be printed as mentioned at **Annexure-A**.
- The height of the table on which the voting compartment is placed should be 30" as shown at **Annexure-B**.
- If more than one BU is used for poll, the width of the voting compartment may be increased 12" for each additional BU. Where additional Ballot Units are being, the Presiding Officers shall arrange the Ballot Units in the manner as shown at **Annexure-C**. While placing the EVM in the voting compartment, it must be ensured without fail that secrecy of voting is not violated. For this purpose, it must be ensured that it is not near the window or the door of the polling station.
- The interconnecting cable of Ballot Unit/VVPAT should be so routed that it does not obstruct the movement of voters inside the polling station and they have not to tread or trip over it, but the entire length of the cable should be visible and under no circumstances be concealed under the cloth or under the table.

Yours faithfully,

(Madhusudan Gupta) Under Secretary

#### Annexure - A

### ON ONE SIDE - FACING THE WEB CAMERA



Name of State/UT:

AC/PC Name:

**AC/PC Number:** 

Date of Poll:

**Polling Station Name:** 

**Polling Station Number:** 

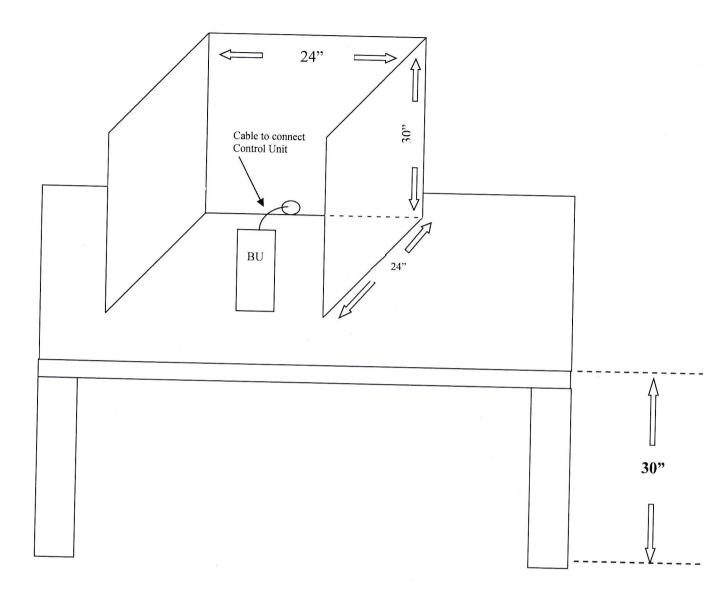
## ON REMAINING TWO SIDES OF THE VOTING COMPARTMENT



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### Annexure-B



### Annexure-C

