HIGH COURT OF MADHYA PRADESH: JABALPUR CIRCULAR

No. D1488

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To,

The District Judges, All.

Sub.: Declaration of Holiday on account of Elections of Lok Sabha, Vidhan Sabha, Local Bodies, Municipal Corporation/Municipality, Panchayat & Cantonment.

Instructions have been issued by the High Court of M.P. from time to time vide Circular Nos.D/4382 dated 3/12/2009, B/4717 dated 15/11/2010 and B/162 dated 12/1/2011 authorizing the District & Sessions Judges/Principal Judges, Family Court to declare holiday for any kind of General Election on the polling day on the basis of the notification of holiday declared by Central Government/State Government under intimation to this Registry. Despite the same, it is being observed that frequent letters/queries are being received in the Main Registry from the various District Judges for declaring holiday on account of the same. In view of the aforesaid facts, to dispel and obliterate any further doubt fresh instructions are being issued in this regard which are as under –

- (i) District Judge shall issue a notification declaring holiday for a day in respect of any area, which goes for poll on account of election under any legislative scheme i.e. Lok Sabha, Vidhan Sabha, Local Bodies, Election, Corporation Election, Panchayat and Cantonment Elections within his jurisdiction, including outlying stations, which go for polls on that date.
- (ii) District Judge shall declare holiday for Courts falling in an area on account of the election(s), where polling is to be held on a day, although the Headquarter of that area may not go for polls/election for aforesaid purposes on that day.
- (iii) There is no need to declare holiday for court lying in an area which is not poll bound area under the notification for the election(s).

(VED PRAKASH) REGISTRAR GENERAL