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To,

The Chief Electoral Officer of  
All States/UTs

**Sub: - Request by international media to cover important election related activities for General Elections 2024 - reg.**

Sir/Madam,

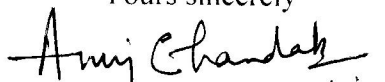
I am directed to refer to the subject cited and to inform that Commission has been receiving requests from various international media organizations and media persons to cover important election related activities viz. remote polling stations, dispatch of polling materials, officials along with polling material and machines travelling to challenging terrains, etc. The purpose is to showcase the ECI's commendable efforts in conducting this monumental exercise.

In this regard, you are requested to kindly facilitate these media persons and their team for coverage of various activities in secure and safe regions as feasible and permissible, without any inconvenience to polling teams in discharge of their duties.

It may be noted that for entry into polling stations and counting centres, they need to have the Authority Letters issued by the Commission. Also, for foreign national media persons, necessary approvals/clearances in addition to Authority Letters are mandated by the Government of India, especially for restricted areas. Responsibility for obtaining the aforesaid approvals/clearance lies with the media persons.

It may be noted that the facilitation is only for purposes of guidance etc. and does not entail any boarding/lodging/transport etc.

Yours sincerely

  
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