## GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA DIRECTORATE OF INFORMATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS

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## Writing, pasting of posters prohibited

Shillong, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019: Upon announcement of the poll date for holding of General Election to the Lok Sabha, 2019 by the Election Commission of India and upon the directives of the Commission to take necessary preventive action to ensure peaceful conduct of General Elections by implementing the code of conduct and prevention of defacement of public and private properties by all contesting Candidates or the Political Parties within the East Khasi Hills District, the District Magistrate and District Election Officer, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong, has promulgated an Order under Section 144 CrPC prohibiting all contesting candidates or their agents or the Political Parties from wall writing, pasting of posters, papers or defacement in any other form, or erecting, displaying of cut-outs, hoarding, banners etc, on any public property, public premises. Political parties or candidates are also prohibited from putting up of banners on all roads, thoroughfares.

Further, no wall writing, pasting of posters, papers or defacement in any other form or erecting, displaying of cut-outs, hoardings, banners etc shall be permitted on any private property, private walls without written permission from

the house-owners and final approval from the office of the District Magistrate and District Election Officer, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong.

Election meeting would not be allowed without taking permission from the office of the District Magistrate and District Election Officer, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong and subsequently local headmen regarding the venue of the meeting. No PA System will be allowed to be used between 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM. In case of PA System/Loud Speakers which are used without permission from the District Magistrate and District Election Officer, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong, the same would be seized immediately by the local authorities. Rallies and procession will not be allowed without the permission from the District Magistrate and District Election Officer, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong.

This order comes into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force till the election process is over.