## OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER: MANIPUR

No. 4/48/ELEC/MCC/SAE/2017

Imphal, the 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2017.

To

- 1. All Administrative Secretaries, Govt. of Manipur.
- 2. All Head of Departments, Govt. of Manipur.

Subject: -

Ban on recruitment process w.e.f. 04.01.2017 i.e. the effective date for commencement of Model Code of Conduct in connection with Legislative Assembly Elections of Manipur.

Sir/Madam,

This is to bring to your kind attention that Election Commission of India vide Press Note No. ECI/PN/1/2017 and ECI/PN/2/2017 dated 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 have announced the schedule for General Elections to Legislative Assembly of Manipur. Therefore, Model Code of Conduct comes into effect immediately from now onwards and all the provision of Model Code of Conduct will apply to the whole of Manipur and will be applicable to all the Candidates/Political Parties and State Government of Manipur. The Model Code of Conduct shall also be applicable to Union Government in so far as announcement/policy decisions pertaining to/for the poll going States are concerned.

2. In view of the above, the recruitment process initiated by different Departments/Organisations under the control of State Government of Manipur shall be stopped forthwith. It has also been reported that certain Departments/HODs (including Revenue, Forest & Environment, Education, RD & PR, Works, Health & FW, Labour, Employment Exchanges, CAF & PD etc.) are trying to resort to issuing the backdated appointment orders which is clearly a violation of Model Code of Conduct and it will invite stringent action against the defaulting officers. A compliance report may be submitted to this office by 12.00 noon of 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2017 in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

(Vivek Kumar Dewangan)
Chief Electoral Officer,
Manipur.

Copy to: -

- Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur with a request kindly to issue strict instructions to all concerned.
- 2. Director General, Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi for kind information