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Government of India  
Ministry of Defence  
(Training Division)

South Block, New Delhi-110011

Dated 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

To,

The Secretary,  
Election Commission of India  
Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road,  
New Delhi – 110 001

Sub:- Engagement / Deployment of NCC Cadets in election duties during forthcoming General Election to the Lok Sabha, 2024.

(Kind Attention : Shri Sanjeev Kumar Prasad, Secretary, Election Commission)

Sir,

I am directed to refer your letter No. 464/INST/EPS/2023(Election Official) dated 07.06.2023 on the above subject and state that the matter has been examined in this Ministry. It is stated that NCC cadets may be deployed for works of national importance such as famine relief work, anti-locust work, traffic control duties on important occasions and during floods or other natural calamities. Prior permission of the Central Government should be obtained except in cases of emergencies like flood relief and famine relief calling for immediate action. In such cases State Government concerned is required to intimate to the Centre the full facts of the assistance rendered by NCC.

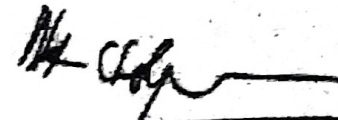
2. It has been the consistent view of the Ministry that because of the age profile of the cadets, lack of maturity and experience in handling the law and order situation, NCC cadets should not be deployed on duty where such an atmosphere prevails. Furthermore, in elections possible violence and situations involving law and order are apprehended. Further, at present the students are themselves in preparation for their examinations. It would, therefore, be unfair to deploy them for election duty at the cost of their examination.

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3. In view of the above points and also keeping in view the age profile of the cadets especially their lack of exposure and experience in working in a delicate law and order environment, deployment of NCC cadets for the ensuing General Election, 2024 has not been agreed to.

4. This issues with the approval of Defence Secretary.

Yours faithfully,



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