



**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

**Abstract**

Election Department – General Election to Lok Sabha 2019 – Cashless treatment scheme for polling officials on duty – Drawal and Disbursement of funds – Delegation of authority – Orders issued.

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**ELECTION (GENERAL) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.(Rt) No. 106 /2019/Elec**

**Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 08.03.2019.**

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Read: - 1) Letter No. 464/L&O/2019/EPS dated 4.02.2019 from the Election Commission of India.  
2) G.O (Rt) No. 253/2016/Elec. Dated 12.05.2016.

**ORDER**

1. A large number of manpower is being deployed for the election process. Election duty involves time-bound assignments in unfamiliar surroundings. Therefore, ensuring the welfare of all those involved in the electoral process is an important aspect in the smooth and successful conduct of elections.

2. Election Commission of India as per the letter read above, issued instructions to make arrangements for the treatment of all security and polling personnel get injured due to violent attack or fall sick while deployed for election duties in the best hospitals till the declaration of results of General Election to Lok Sabha, 2019.

3. In consonance with these directions, a 'Cashless Treatment Scheme' for all polling personnel will be provided if any medical emergency such as accident, cardiac arrest, stroke, etc. happens while on duty. Immediate medical assistance on cashless basis will be provided in the nearest Government or Private Hospital. The expenses in this regard will be reimbursed by the District Election Officer Concerned.

4. In the above circumstances, Government are pleased to authorize District Collectors & District Election Officers to draw and disburse expenses incurred in respect of cashless treatment of polling officials as mentioned above, to the extent of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) per person. Expenses in this regard beyond Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand) but below Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh) per person can be drawn and disbursed by the District Collector and

District Election Officer, subject to ratification by Chief Electoral Officer. Expenses beyond Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh) per person may be disbursed after getting approval of the Chief Electoral Officer.

5. A person is considered to be on election duty as soon as he/she leaves his/her residence/office to report for any election related duty including training and until he/she reaches back his/her residence/office after performance of his/her election related duty. If any mishap takes place during this period, it will be treated as having occurred on election duty subject to condition that there should be a connection between occurrences of accident/medical emergency.

6. Polling officers for this purpose will include police/CAPF/CRPF personnel engaged in election related duty.

7. The expenditure in this regard will be met from Head of account "2015-00-105-99-34-OC".

By Order of the Governor

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To

The Principal Accountant General (A&E/Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram  
The Secretary, Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, New Delhi (with covering letter).  
The Director, Information & Public Relations Department, Thiruvananthapuram (For Press Release)  
All District Collectors  
Health & Family Welfare Department  
The Director of Health Services, Thiruvananthapuram  
Finance Department  
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