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From

The Labour Commissioner-cum-Chief Inspector of Factories, H.P. Shimla-1

To

- 1. Assistant Director (Factories), N/Z Una, H.P.
- 2. All Labour Officers in H. P
- 3. All Labour Inspectors in H.P.

Subject: - Lok Sabha General Elections -2009

Sir,

It is brought to your notice that Lok Sabha General Elections are scheduled to be held on 13.05.2009 as per schedule announced by Election Commission of India. In this context, your attention is drawn to the provision of Section 135-B of Representation of the People Act, 1951. For your ready reference the provision of Section 135-B, is as under:-

- "135-B Grant of paid holiday to employees on the day of poll--- (I) Every person employed in any business, trade, Industrial undertaking or any other establishment and entitled to vote at an election to the House of the People or the Legislative Assembly of a State shall, on the day of poll, be granted a holiday.
- (2). No deduction or abatement of the wages of any such person shall be made on account of holiday having being granted in accordance with sub section (I) and if such person is employed on the basis that he would not ordinarily receive wages for such a day, he shall nonetheless be paid for such day the wages he would have drawn had not a holiday been granted to him on that day.
- (3). If an employer contravenes the provisions of sub section (I) or sub section (2), then such employer shall be punishable with fine which may extend to five Hundred Rupees.
- (4). This section shall not apply to any elector whose absence may cause danger or substantial loss in respect of the employment in which he is engaged."

You are therefore, requested to bring the said provision to the notice of Occupiers/managers of factories/Industrial establishments situated under your jurisdiction and direct them to grant additional paid holiday to the workers working in

their factories as per section 135-B of Act ibid on 13.05.2009 in order to exercise their right of franchise.

Yours faithfully,

Labour Commissioner-cum-Chief Inspector of Factories, H.P

Endst. No. As above Dated, Shimla-171001 Copy to the following for information and necessary action please:-

- 1. Chief Electoral Officer, H.P. Shimla-1
- 2. Additional Chief Secretary (Lab.& Emp.) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh ,Shimla-2.
- 3. All Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh
- 4. Director, Information & Public Relation, H.P. Shimla-2 with the request to publish news item/ press release in various news papers for the information of all concerned.
- 5. Director, All India Radio, H.P.Shimla-4 with the request to broadcast the above as news for information of all concerned.
- 6. State Informatics Officer, NIC, Shimla-2 with the request to flash this circular in the Departmental Web Site till 13.05.2009.
- 7. Assistant Director (Factories), (HQs), Dte. of labour & Employment, H.P. Shimla 1

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Copy to the following for information with the request that their member industries may be informed about the said provisions and they may be asked to grant additional paid holiday to the workers working in their factories on 13.05.2009 as per section 135-B of Act ibid:-

- 1. Sh. L. K. Malhotra, President, PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industry PHD House 4/2, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, New Delhi-110016.
- 2. Sh. Dian Chand, Chairman, H.P. Committee, PHD chamber of Commerce & Industry, Room No. 205, Udyog Bhawan, Bamloei, Shimla-1.

- 3. President, B.B.N. Industries Association (Registered) C/O Single Window Clearance Agency, Industrial Area, Baddi, Distt.Solan H.P.
- 4. President, Parwanoo Industries Association, Sector-5(Rotary Vocational & Community Centre) Parwanoo, Distt.Solan H.P.
- 5. President, Mehatpur Industries Association, c/o Service Building, Industrial Area Mehatpur, Distt. Una, H.P.
- 6. President, H.P.Chamber of Commerce & Industry, C/O Sh.Kailash Azad, (Vice President) Malwa Cotton Spinning Mills, Patlian, Paonta Sahib, Distt. Sirmour, H.P.
- 7. Chairman, H.P. Committee, PHDCCI,C/O M/S Winsome Textile Industries Ltd.SCO-14-145 Sector 34-A,Chandigarh
- 8. President, PHD Chamber of Commerce & Industries, C/O General Manager, DIC, Una, H.P.
- 9. Chairman, H.P. Committee of PHD Chamber of Commerce Industries, Kufri Resorts, Kufri, Shimla H.P.
- 10. Sh. Umesh Garg, President Kala Amb, Chamber of Commerce & Indusry, C/O M/S Ruchira Paper Mills, Trilokpur Road Kala Amb, Distt. Sirmour H.P.
- 11. Sh. Parmod Sharma, President, Amb Sub-Division, Industrial Association, C/O M. M. Ferrochem, VPO Tibbi, Karloohi, Tehisl Amb,, District Una H.P.
- 12. Sh.R.K.Nag, President, BBT Industries Associations, Tahliwal Industrial Area, District Una.

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