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IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE AT KARAIKAL

Present : A. VIKRANTH RAJA, I.A.S., District Magistrate, Karaikal.

M.C. No. 02/2019

ORDER

(UNDER SECTION 144 OF Cr. P.C.)

Whereas, the Election Commission of India, in view of the General Elections to the House of People-2019, has issued various instructions *vide* Standard Operating Procedures for last 48 hours, to restrict the assembly/movement of people by invoking the provisions of section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973. Polling for entire Puducherry Constituency scheduled to be held on 18-04-2019.

And whereas, the campaign for General Elections is prohibited before 48 hours of closing hours. of the poll day *i.e.*, from 6.00 p.m. on 16-04-2019. However, law does not prohibit door-to-door campaigning during the period of 48 hours. Generally, the restrictions under section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 permits not more than 5 persons to assemble/move together. Thus, maximum of only 5 persons are allowed for door-to-door visit; Now, therefore, for smooth conduct of Elections in a free and fair manner, and in strict enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct to prevent distribution of Cash or kind to the voters, I, A. Vikranth Raja, I.A.S., District Magistrate, Karaikal, hereby invoke the provisions of section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and prohibit the assemblage of five or more persons in public streets or thoroughfares or in public places and prohibit the carrying of weapons, sticks, banners, placards, *etc.*, by any person and also prohibit the shouting of slogans and using of loud speakers and acting in any other manner detrimental to public peace and tranquility in entire Karaikal District from 6.00 p.m. of 16-04-2019 to 06.00 a.m. of 19-04-2019;

This order does not apply to purely religious functions, marriages, funerals and inside the Polling booth premises for voting purpose.

At Karaikal, dated this 15th day of April 2019.

A. VIKRANTH RAJA, I.A.S., District Magistrate, Karaikal.

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