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Dated: Shimla-2, the 07th November, 2022.

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Dear all,
As you are aware, the strength of any democracy depends on the foundation of free, fair and inclusive elections. Elections to constitute Fourteenth Vidhan Sabha are going to be held on 12th November, 2022 and Election Commission of India is making all possible efforts for conducting elections in a manner where all voters can cast their votes and contribute in building the Nation by taking active part in the democratic process of forming the Government.

Election Commission of India is working towards creating an atmosphere where every single voter can come without any fear or hesitation to the Polling Station and can exercise their right to vote. While creating such ambience for fearless elections, Election Commission of India is also aiming towards inclusive elections where the motto is 'No Voter to Be Left Behind' and 'Every Vote Counts'.

In this context, the Election Department has launched a programme "UTSAV" (Universal Transparent elections through Systematic Awareness of Voters) on 27th July, 2022, for undertaking various SVEEP related activities and new initiatives to inform, motivate and facilitate all eligible citizens to participate in electoral process.

As we all know that **more than 2.25 lakh** individuals are employees with the Himachal Pradesh government, and there are about **1.90 lakh** pensioners. This is a huge number for a small state like Himachal Pradesh, where the total size of the electorate is about **55.25 lakh**. These employees may be motivated to **exercise their franchise on 12th November, 2022** through the Voters' Awareness Forums (VAFs) established in all government departments /offices. Accordingly, all departments should organize voters pledge wherein, employees in every office at the state/field level will assemble together and take the **Voters' Pledge on 11th November, 2022**.

I, therefore, request you that necessary instructions in this regard may be issued to the HoDs, so as to organize voter pledge down to the field offices level.

with regards

Yours sincerely,

(R.D.Dhiman)

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ELECTOR'S PLEDGE

We, the citizens of India, having abiding faith in democracy, hereby pledge to uphold the democratic traditions of our country and dignity of free, fair and peaceful elections and to vote in every elections fearlessly and without being influenced by religion, race, caste, community or any inducement.

निर्वाचक द्वारा ली जाने वाली शपथ

हम, भारत के नागरिक, लोकतंत्र में अपनी पूर्ण आस्था रखते हुए यह शपथ लेते हैं कि हम अपने देश की लोकतांत्रिक परंपराओं की मर्यादा को बनाए रखेंगे तथा स्वतंत्र, निष्पक्ष एवं शांतिपूर्ण निर्वाचन की गरिमा को अक्षुण्ण रखते हुए, निर्भीक होकर, धर्म, मूलवंश जाति, समुदाय, भाषा अथवा अन्य किसी भी प्रलोभन से प्रभावित हुए बिना सभी निर्वाचनों में अपने मताधिकार का प्रयोग करेंगे।