



**THE INSTITUTE OF
Company Secretaries of India**
भारतीय कम्पनी सचिव संस्थान
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DIRECTIVE

It has been brought to the notice that on social media accounts viz. Facebook, Whatsapp, etc., of the candidates for election to the Council/ Regional Councils - 2018 are having contents, images, photographs, appeals etc., in relation to the election are not in accordance with the letter and spirit of the Election Code of Conduct dated 10th September, 2018, directives and the Company Secretaries (Election to the Council) Rules, 2006 ('the Rules').

Any appeal(s)/ communication(s) by the candidates to the voters in relation to the election to the Council/ Regional Councils - 2018 in any form *other than* the manifesto or circular issued under Rule 42 of the Rules, including posting of contents, images, photographs, appeals etc., on social media, contravenes the Election Code of Conduct dated 10th September, 2018, directives and the Rules.

The candidates contravening the Election Code of Conduct dated 10th September, 2018, directives and the Rules are subject to disciplinary action under the provisions of the Company Secretaries Act, 1980.

You are once again advised to refrain from such acts.

Returning Officer and Officiating Secretary, the ICSI