MEDICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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To,
The Chief Election Commissioner,
Election Commission of India,
Nirvachan Sadan,
Asoha Road,
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Sub:- Madurai Medical College –Parliament General Election-2019-Vote counting centre at Madurai Medical College Academic and Research activities etc affected –request for change of place to keep vote box and vote counting centre to some other place for further Elections – regarding.

Parliament General Election dated 18.04.2019&Vote Counting Dated: 23.05.2019.

With references to the above, I submit to state that the Parliament General Election was held on 18.04.2019 for Madurai Parliament Constituency and Voting Machines Were kept in the Madurai Medical College from 18.04.2019 to 23.05.2019 till counting of votes. For this entire Election exercises, the entire Madurai Medical College premises were taken over by the Dept. of Revenue, Dept. of PWD and Dept of Police from the Middle of March-2019 and also started the Civil work like demolition of walls, temporary structures and Partitions and construction of new structures etc to provide space for 6 strong Room for keeping voting Machines and 6 Mega vote Counting Halls.

During this activity, entire Interior structures like partition walls, wooden partitions, Laboratory tables etc., were demolished .Due to the Civil work and other related works, most of the Theory and Practical classes were cancelled for Under graduate, Post Graduate Medical Courses, Pharmacy Courses, Medical Laboratory Technician courses, Nursing Courses and other Para Medical Courses. Even the Post Graduate examination was also shifted to some other places. So the entire academic activity of Madurai Medical College was completely affected during that period. The

Infra structure of the college as per Medical Council of India norms also affected, which was not rectified till now.

Along with it, the Pathology Laboratory, Bio-Chemistry laboratory, Microbiology laboratory and Forensic laboratory are functioning inside the college. Public are coming to the Laboratory for various test with low cost, which are not available in the Private sector also. So the Public was also very much affected during that period.

Further, a lot of carrier development programmes like Continuing Medical Education courses, Seminars and workshops, which should be followed by Medical Council of India and Tamil Nadu Medical Council Rules were cancelled and venue shifted to other colleges.

Since it is one of the heritage building in Madurai and the building was constructed in 1950's and original inner structure was altered every time during election period in different wings. So, the basic building structure was altered every time, hence the weakening of building structure is happening like Cracks, falling Roofs, Electricity Line were very much affected, after lines also affected and drainage also blocked.

Further, hostels for under graduate girls and boys like M.B.B.S, B.Pharm and Post Graduate girls and boys are functioning inside college premises. Due to the heavy security arrangements, student's hospital duty to Govt. Rajaji Hospital regularly at any time for attending the emergency cases were also affected.

Further, One students co-operative store is functioning, which is used by the students, staffs of Madurai Medical College and also by the all Govt. Medical Institutions like Primary Health Centres, Taluk and Non Taluk Govt. Hospitals for purchase of essential medicines, disinfectants, sanitary materials etc. Due to the security reasons, the entire student store activity was affected and also functions of the staff's co-op Thrift society also. Along with it, Tamil Nadu Blind people Rehabilitation Centre was functioning in this campus, which is providing periodical rehabilitation training to blind people for their livelihood which is also affected.

Along with it Viral Diagnostic Laboratory, Regional Integrated Disease Surveillance Laboratory for Dengue and other Vector Borne and water Borne Diseases,

Regional Forensic Laboratory and National Cadet Corps Medical wing Area office and Indian Overseas Bank Branch is also located inside College Premises.

Further, it is informed that there were no official communication from concerned authorities regarding taken over of the Madurai Medical College building for utilization for all Election including Parliament Election and Tamil Nadu Legislative Council Election till date.

So, it is request that kindly consider shifting of Vote Counting Centre from Madurai Medical College premise to any other Arts and Science / Engineering / Polytechnic College campus, which will help to the Medical Fraternity of Madurai Medical College and southern District Public of Tamil Nadu.

This for favour of kind perusal and necessary action.

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