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From: Electoral Commissioner

To: Heads of Ministries/Departments

APPLICATIONS FROM GOVERNMENT OFFICERS WILLING TO WORK FOR ELECTION AND/OR "HOUSE-TO-HOUSE INQUIRY (CANVASS)"

The Office of the Electoral Commissioner is presently updating the list of eligible public officers who are willing to work for election and/or the "house-to-house Inquiry".

- 2. As you may be aware, election work requires the release of officers from their official duties for a few days, whereas the "house-to-house inquiry" is invariably performed outside normal office hours. Both duties are remunerated at rates approved by the Secretary to Cabinet and Head of the Civil Service.
- 3. The relevant application form (*in recto and verso*) is herewith annexed for distribution to public officers of your Ministry/Department whose release for the above-mentioned exercises would not unduly affect the work of your Ministry/Department.
- 4. It is emphasized that the following officers are **not eligible** to work for the said exercises:
 - (a) those who have taken up employment in parastatal and statutory bodies, local authorities or the private sector;
 - (b) those who are on leave without pay;
 - (c) those who are employed in the service on a contract basis;
 - (d) those who are under interdiction or have been dismissed; or
 - (e) those who have retired from the Civil Service.
- 5. Officers from the grade of "workmen class" are not eligible; however they may be enlisted to work in exceptional cases, where there is a shortage of public officers.
- 6. The completed application forms must **bear the official seal** of the respective Ministry/Department and must be submitted to this Office along with **a list of the names of applicants by 01 October 2021 at latest.**

- 7. Officers should be duly informed -
 - (a) of the conditions for eligibility to work for the above exercises (as laid down at Paragraphs 4 and 5);
 - (b) not to apply directly to this Office (either personally or by letter) to offer their services;
 - (c) that incomplete, wrong or inaccurate application forms as well as those not bearing the official seal of the Ministry/Department/Commission will not be considered;
 - (d) that those who have worked for previous elections and/or "house-to-house inquiries" and/or who have submitted applications in the past should <u>ALSO</u> submit fresh applications; and
 - (e) that individual or late applications will **not** be considered.
- 8. Application forms can also be downloaded from the website of this Office at http://electoral.govmu.org
- 9. As in the past this Office relies on the entire cooperation of all Heads of Ministries/Departments/Commissions so that **all eligible officers**, **including those posted in the different sections**, **outstations or branches** under their aegis, and those **on leave**, are given an opportunity to submit their application forms **in due time**.
- 10. Your cooperation and assistance will be highly appreciated.

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Electoral Commissioner

Copy to: Secretary to Cabinet and Head of the Civil Service.