New Delhi, the 27th November 2008

To

The Chief of the Army Staff, The Chief of the Naval Staff, The Chief of the Air Staff, New Delhi.

Sub: Use of Defence Land for Public Meetings Organised by Political Parties, for Religious/Social functions and other purposes.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Ministry of Defence letters No.11013/6/99/D(Lands) dated 11.6.2002, No.11013/6/1999/D(Lands) dated 21.1.2003 and No.11013/6/1999/D(Lands) dated 20.2.2006, on the above subject and to say that the issue has further been examined in the Ministry.

- 2. In partial modification of Ministry of Defence letters No.11013/6/99/D(Lands) dated 11.6.2002, dated 21.1.2003 and dated 20.2.2006, referred to above, it has been decided that if the exceptional circumstances so warrant, the permission for holding of public meetings organized by political parties, for religious/social functions and other purposes, on A-1 Defence land or land analogous to A-1, may be granted by the concerned Local Military Authorities for the land under their administrative control. The procedure for processing of such requests and the terms and conditions of licencing of land would be the same as indicated in Ministry of Defence letters No.11013/6/99/D(Lands) dated 11.6.2002 and dated 20.2.2006. The other provisions of Ministry of Defence letters dated 11.6.2002 and 20.2.2006 will remain the same.
- 3. However, the discretionary powers shall continue to vest in the Ministry.

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4. - This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence (Finance Division) vide their U.O. No. 1403/F/W-1/08 dated 27.11.08.

Yours faithfully,

(V.B. Saxena) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

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