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Consequent on the announcement of poll schedule for the Bye-election to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly from 83.Yercaud (ST) Assembly Constituency on 4.10.2013, the Model Code of Conduct have come into force in the entire Salem District from the said date. It was reported that Block Development Officer, Yercaud Panchayat Union had met the Minister for Highways & Minor Ports, Government of Tamil Nadu at his residence on 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2013. This being a violation of the Model Code of Conduct, he was suspended by the District Election Officer and Collector, Salem. A report on the same was sent the Election Commission of India.

Now, the Election Commission of India has issued a Show Cause Notice to the Minister for Highways & Minor Ports, Government of Tamil Nadu, since Thiru. M. Jayaraman, Block Development Officer, Yercaud Panchayat Union met him at his residence on 16.11.2013, which is violation of Model Code of Conduct.

The Election Commission of India has directed that his reply in the matter should reach the Commission within 48 hours from the date of receipt of the notice.

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