

## Press Release

Based on a proposal from the political parties for opening ***Thaneerpandal***, (free water distribution to thirsty people) the Election Commission of India, New Delhi, vide its Letter No. 464/TN-HP/2024/SS-1/INST, dated: 30.04.2024 has informed its no objection to the proposal **from Model Code of Conduct angle subject to the condition that no political party / candidate will get any political mileage from this process in any way and provisions of Model Code of Conduct shall be strictly complied with.**

Hence, any political party / candidate wishing to open a ***Thaneerpandal*** may be permitted by the DEOs based on their request, subject to their adhering to the above direction of the Commission and by observing such other extant instructions of the Government from health, hygiene and drinking water point of view.

All DEOs may ensure its proper compliance within their respective jurisdiction.

**Chief Electoral Officer  
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