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BAR COUNCIL OF DELHI

(Statutory Body Constituted under the Advocates Act, 1961)
2/6, Siri Fort Institutional Area, Khel Gaon Marg, New Delhi-110 049

Ref. No. :
BCD/Elect/2026/212

Dated :
10.02.2026

OFFICE OF THE RETURNING OFFICER BCD ELECTION 2026

Ms. Vaishali Goel, Advocate
Enrolment No: D/3668/2021

Mobile No: 7982821713

SUBJECT: NOTICE REGARDING ALLEGED SOLICITATION OF GRATIFICATION DURING BCD ELECTION 2026

Madam,

The Election Committee is in receipt of a formal complaint dated February 3, 2026, from Mr. Rahul Singh Chauhan, Advocate (Ballot No. 98), alleging a serious violation of the ethical standards and the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) governing the Bar Council of Delhi Elections 2026.

It is alleged that on February 2, 2026, at approximately 1:15 PM, you contacted the complainant via your mobile number (7982821713) and explicitly requested the distribution of "Bags" for yourself and your associates. Such a request, if true, constitutes a direct attempt to solicit gratification and promotes corrupt practices that undermine the sanctity of the electoral process.

Please note that soliciting, offering, demanding and/or accepting any form of gratification, inducement, or bribe in exchange for votes is illegal, unethical, and strictly prohibited.

The Election Committee views any attempt by voters to solicit gifts, favors, or items of value from candidates with the same severity as the act of a candidate offering them.

In light of the above, you are hereby called upon and directed to **APPEAR IN PERSON** at **4.00 P.M** on **11.02.2026** at the BCD Office situated at **1-F, Lawyer's Chambers, Delhi High Court, New Delhi**. Please also note that failure to respond will lead to an ex-parte decision and necessary legal/disciplinary action based on the evidence available.

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Col Arun Sharma (Retd.)
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Issued with the approval and direction of the Election Committee, Bar Council of Delhi,
Election 2026.


Col Arun Sharma (Retd)
Secretary
Bar Council of Delhi

To
The Returning Officer,
Bar Council of Delhi Election-2026
Bar Council of Delhi
New Delhi

Subject: Reply to Notice dated 10.02.2026 regarding alleged solicitation of gratification

Respected Sir,

I, Ms. Vaishali Goel, Advocate, Enrolment No. D/3668/2021, most respectfully submit this reply to the notice bearing Ref. No. BCD/Elect/2026/212 dated 10.02.2026.

At the outset, I categorically, unequivocally, and strongly deny the allegations levelled against me in the said notice. The allegations are false, baseless, misconceived, and devoid of any factual foundation.

No solicitation of any gratification

I state on oath that I have never solicited, demanded, requested, or accepted any gratification, gift, bag, favour, or item of value from the complainant or from any other candidate or voter in relation to the Bar Council of Delhi Elections, 2026.

False and motivated complaint

The complaint appears to be motivated, malicious, and intended to malign my reputation and adversely affect my standing in the ongoing election process. The complaint is unsupported by any independent, credible.

I have at all times conducted myself in strict adherence to the Model Code of Conduct, ethical standards, and dignity expected of an Advocate and a candidate. I hold the Bar Council institution and its electoral process in the highest regard.

Violation of principles of natural justice

Proceeding on unsubstantiated allegations without credible evidence would cause grave prejudice to my professional reputation and violates the principles of natural justice and fairness.

Appearance and cooperation

Without prejudice to my rights and contentions, I confirm my appearance in person on 11.02.2026 at 4:00 PM as directed and assure full cooperation with the Election Committee.

Prayer

In view of the above, I respectfully pray that:

The present complaint be dismissed at the threshold as false and vexatious;

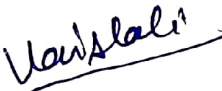
No adverse or coercive action be taken against me; and

My reputation and candidature be protected from frivolous allegations.

I reserve my right to take appropriate legal remedies against the complainant for filing a false and defamatory complaint.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Vaishali Goel 
Advocate
Enrolment No.: D/3668/2021
Mobile: 7982821713
Date: 11.02.2026
Place: New Delhi