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In a massive development, the two disputed votes have been announced invalid by the Election Commission.

According to the Order issued by the Election Commission of India, "For this purpose, before commencement of counting, the ballot papers shall be segregated by verifying the serial numbers printed on the reverse side of the ballot papers. While so segregating, the ballot papers shall be kept by the Returning Officer upside down because the serial numbers of the ballot papers are printed on the reverse side of the ballot papers. After so segregating the said two ballot papers, the Returning Officer shall proceed with the counting as per the law."

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As per reports, BJP will be challenging EC's decision to reject the two disputed votes.

Earlier on Thursday, The Congress claimed the two MLAs -- Raghavji Patel and Bholu Gohil -- belonging to Shankarsinh Vaghela group showed their ballots to the party's authorised agent as well as to the BJP's agent.

We hope that Election Commission will come out with justice and our candidate will win: DK Shivakumar, Congress #BiggestTestForSonia
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Republic TV had accessed letter written by Varun K Chopra, Authorised Representative of AICC to Honorable Chief Commissioner. The letter focuses on “violation of provisions of not showing the ballot papers to anyone else other than the Party’s authorised agent.”

According to the letter, “The Indian National Congress has protested about the above matter to the Returning Officer, and has asked them to cancel the votes of these two MLAs. The videography of the entire process is available with the Returning Officer and he may be immediately directed to follow the law in letter & spirit.”

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Subject: URGENT ACTION - GUJARAT 2017 ELECTIONS

The Hon'ble Chief Election Commissioner

Nirvachan Sadan,

Ashoka Road,

New Delhi 110 001

RE: URGENT ACTION

SUBJECT: VIOLATION OF PROVISIONS OF NOT SHOWING THE BALLOT PAPERS TO ANYONE ELSE OTHER THAN THE PARTY'S AUTHORISED AGENT.

Dear Sir,

During the course of voting for the Rajya Sabha Elections from Gujarat held dated 8.08.2017, the above named two INC MLA's namely Bholabhai Gohil, MLA (INC) and Raghavji Patel, MLA (INC), while casting their vote showed their ballot papers to persons other than the authorized INC agent thus violated the provisions of Rule 39 of Conduct of Election Rules, 1961 and therefore the votes casted by these two MLA's are required to be cancelled for the reason of "voting procedure violated".

The Indian National Congress has protested about the above matter to the Returning Officer, and has asked them to cancel the votes of these two MLA's. The videography of the entire process is available with the Returning Officer and he may be immediately directed to follow the law in letter & spirit.

In view of the above we request your good offices to kindly forthwith issue directions to the concerned RO to cancel the votes casted by the aforesaid MLAs.

We express sincere gratitude in advance.

Regards

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