

To,
Shri Pranab Mukherjee,UPA candidate for Presidential Elections
Shri P.A. Sangma, NDA candidate for Presidential Elections

Date: 12-07-2012

Dear Sir,

Subject: Regarding disclosure of criminal, financial, educational and other background details as per Supreme Court's guidelines

On behalf of National Election Watch, a network of over 1200 Civil Society groups across the country, we would like to congratulate you on your nomination for the post of President of India.

National Election Watch (NEW) and Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR) are citizen led, non-political, non-partisan, non-governmental organizations working on electoral reforms, improving democracy and governance in India for the last several years.

The office of the President is one of the most important positions in our country. It is only imperative that the Presidential candidate discloses his/her criminal, financial, educational and other background details as currently being done by all MPs, MLAs, MLCs, Councillors, local body contestants and everybody who contests these elections. Voluntary disclosure based on Supreme Court's guidelines will set a good example of transparency for other elected representatives to follow.

We wish you all the best and look forward for your support in improving transparency and governance in the country.

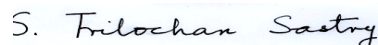
Thanks & Regards



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