OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, DELHI.

No. /PRO/PHQ dated Delhi, the 25.04./2014.

To

The Editor,
Hindustan Times,
New Delhi.

Subject :- Rejoinder to the news-item i.e**.** "Poll booze missing from police custody".

Sir,

This is with reference to the above-mentioned byline news –item appeared in your esteemed newspaper on 24.04.2014. The headline and contents of the news-item are factually incorrect and misleading.

It is clarified that on receipt of a letter from the CEO office, liquor bottles seized by Delhi Police during the election process were physically checked and not even a single bottle was found missing as reported in your newspaper. There was clerical error in calculation and after correcting it, the details had already been communicated to the CEO office. No concealment of facts or any criminal act has been found against any police personnel. The staff responsible for miscalculation has been reprimanded for negligence.

Needless to say, the concerned correspondent ought have verified the authenticity of the facts from the police before publishing such types of news-item containing serious imputations against the police. It has unnecessarily cast aspersions on the working of police. Therefore, it is requested that, in future, whenever any matter involving police action is reported, necessary inputs may kindly be obtained from the concerned police authorities.

In view of the above stated facts, it is requested that this rejoinder may be published in order to put the matter in proper perspective with the same prominence for your esteemed readers.

Yours faithfully,

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