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The CEC talks about Bihar elections serving as template for coming polls, wishes law would be brought against defectors, calls for “sound legislative framework” for handling social media influence on elections, and reiterates support for simultaneous polls. The session was moderated by Senior Assistant Editor Ritika Chopra.

WHY SUNIL SINGH TAKING CHARGE

Since taking charge, Sunil Singh has supervised the 2019 general elections and the Bihar polls, the country’s first election in a pandemic. The Rajasthan cadre officer also served as secretary to Govt in two ministries before joining EC.

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We do not have any legal authority (to assist in vaccine drive). But given our experience, we will reach out for a national cause, we will take a call.

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