

## **Patriarch Kirill: Mister Poroshenko violates Constitution of his country**



In Ukraine, there is an unprecedented interference in the Church affairs, the ROC Primate commented on recent events in the Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

President of Ukraine Petro Poroshenko violates the Constitution of his own state when he interferes in religious matters and tries to manage Churches and the religious process, the official website of the Moscow Patriarchate cites Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia.

The head of the Russian Orthodox Church recalled that Poroshenko simultaneously infringes upon the rights of believers and declares a European choice.

“The idea of a secular state occupies a very important place in European civilization. There are no religious states in Europe. There are only secular states, where nothing of the kind Poroshenko is doing today is unacceptable by law,” said Patriarch Kirill.

He noted that the unconstitutional behaviour of the Ukrainian President is absolutely unacceptable and today no one will be able to predict what can happen to Ukraine and the Ukrainian people as a result of such a political strategy.

According to Ukrainian experts, the Ukrainian authorities are trying to create a model of political Orthodoxy.