

कार्यालय : मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी, उत्तराखण्ड  
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प्रेस नोट

सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि भारत निर्वाचन आयोग द्वारा उत्तराखण्ड राज्य के जनपद बागेश्वर की 47-बागेश्वर (अ0जा0) विधान सभा निर्वाचन क्षेत्र से उप निर्वाचन-2023 हेतु दिनांक 08 अगस्त, 2023 को प्रेस नोट जारी कर कार्यक्रम की घोषणा कर दी गयी है, जो निम्न प्रकार है:-

1.	अधिसूचना जारी करने की तिथि	10.08.2023 (बृहस्पतिवार)
2.	नाम निर्देशन करने की अंतिम तारीख	17.08.2023 (बृहस्पतिवार)
3.	नाम निर्देशन की संवीक्षा की तारीख	18.08.2023 (शुक्रवार)
4.	अभ्यर्थिता वापस लेने की तारीख	21.08.2023 (सोमवार)
5.	मतदान की तारीख	05.09.2023 (मंगलवार)
6.	मतगणना	08.09.2023 (शुक्रवार)
7.	वह तारीख, जिससे पूर्व निर्वाचन प्रक्रिया पूर्ण कर ली जायेगी।	10.09.2023 (रविवार)

2- आयोग द्वारा यह भी निर्देशित किया गया है कि उक्त उप निर्वाचन मतदाता सूची 01.01.2023 के संदर्भ में 05 जनवरी 2023 को प्रकाशित जिसमें अर्हता तिथि और बाद की अर्हक तिथियों अर्थात 01 अप्रैल और 01 जुलाई 2023 की पूरक सूची सहित अध्यतन हो से फोटोयुक्त निर्वाचक नामावली के आधार पर सम्पादित किया जायेगा तथा उक्त सामान्य निर्वाचन में EVMs और VVPATs का प्रयोग किया जायेगा।

3- आयोग द्वारा उल्लेख किया गया है कि निर्वाचन के दौरान मतदाता की पहचान हेतु फोटोयुक्त मतदाता पहचान पत्र मुख्य दस्तावेज होगा। हालाँकि निर्वाचक नामावली में दर्ज किसी भी मतदाता को उसके मताधिकार से वंचित नहीं किया जायेगा, उसकी पहचान के लिए आयोग द्वारा अन्य वैकल्पिक दस्तावेजों की सूची निम्न प्रकार उपलब्ध करायी गयी है-

क्र०सं०	मतदाता की पहचान हेतु वैकल्पिक दस्तावेज
1	आधार कार्ड
2	मनरेगा, जॉब कार्ड
3	बैंक/डाकघर द्वारा जारी फोटोयुक्त पासबुक
4	श्रम मंत्रालय की योजना के अन्तर्गत जारी स्वास्थ्य बीमा स्मार्ट कार्ड
5	ड्राईविंग लाइसेंस
6	पेन कार्ड
7	एनपीआर के तहत आरजीआई द्वारा जारी स्मार्ट कार्ड
8	भारतीय पासपोर्ट
9	फोटोयुक्त पेंशन अभिलेख
10	केन्द्र/राज्य सरकार/सार्वजनिक उपक्रमों और सार्वजनिक लिमिटेड कंपनियों के द्वारा कर्मचारियों को जारी फोटोयुक्त सेवा पहचान पत्र
11	सांसदों/विधायकों/एमएलसी को जारी किये गये आधिकारिक पहचान-पत्र
12	विशिष्ट विकलांगता आईडी (यूडीआईडी) कार्ड, सामाजिक न्याय अधिकारिता मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार

4- आयोग पत्र संख्या 437/6/INST/2016-CCS दिनांक 29 जून, 2017 में दिये गये निर्देशों के अनुरूप जनपद बागेश्वर में तत्काल प्रभाव से आदर्श आचार संहिता प्रभावी हो गयी है।

5- वर्तमान में कोविड-19 के सन्दर्भ में भारत निर्वाचन आयोग द्वारा अपने पत्र दिनांक 14 अक्टूबर 2022 में जारी व्यापक दिशा-निर्देशों का अक्षरशः पालन किया जायेगा।

दिनांक : 08 अगस्त, 2023

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प्रतिलिपि -

1- समस्त प्रदेश अध्यक्ष/सचिव/महामंत्री, मान्यताप्राप्त राजनैतिक दल, उत्तराखण्ड को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

2- महानिदेशक, सूचना एवं लोक जनसम्पर्क विभाग, उत्तराखण्ड को इस आशय से प्रेषित कि दिनांक 09 अगस्त 2023 को प्रकाशित होने वाले समस्त समाचार पत्रों में प्रेसनोट प्रमुख रूप से निःशुल्क प्रकाशित कराने का कष्ट करें।

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# ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No.ECI/PN/47/2023

Dated:8<sup>th</sup> August, 2023

## PRESS NOTE

**Subject: Schedule for Bye-election to 7 (Seven) Legislative Assemblies of Jharkhand, Tripura, Kerala, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand – reg.**

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The Commission has decided to hold bye-election to fill vacancies in 7(Seven) Assembly Constituencies of 6 States i.e. Jharkhand, Kerala, Tripura, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand, the list of constituencies is as follows -

Sl. No.	Name of State	Assembly Constituency No. & Name	Reason of vacancy
1.	Jharkhand	33-Dumri	Death of Shri Jagarnath Mahto
2.	Kerala	98-Puthuppally	Death of Shri Oommen Chandy
3.	Tripura	20-Boxanagar	Death of Shri Samsul Haque
4.	Tripura	23-Dhanpur	Resignation of Smt Pratima Bhoumik
5.	West Bengal	15-Dhupguri (SC)	Death of Shri Bishnu Pada Ray
6.	Uttar Pradesh	354-Ghosi	Resignation of Shri Dara Singh Chauhan
7.	Uttarakhand	47-Bageshwar (SC)	Death of Shri Chandan Ram Das

Schedule for the bye election is as follows:

Schedule for Bye-election for Assembly Constituencies	
Poll Events	Schedule
Date of Issue of Gazette Notification	10 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023 (Thursday)



Last Date for making nominations	17 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023 (Thursday)
Date for the Scrutiny of Nominations	18 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023 (Friday)
Last Date for Withdrawal of candidatures	21 <sup>st</sup> August, 2023 (Monday)
<b>Date of Poll</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 (Tuesday)</b>
Date of Counting	8 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023 (Friday)
Date before which election shall be completed	10 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023 (Sunday)

### **1. ELECTORAL ROLLS**

The Electoral Rolls for the aforesaid Assembly Constituencies finally published on 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2023 with reference to 01.01.2023 as the qualifying date and supplements of subsequent qualifying dates, namely 1<sup>st</sup> April & 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2023, updated till the last date of making nominations will be used for these elections.

### **2. ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES (EVMs) & VVPATs**

The Commission has decided to use EVMs and VVPATs in the bye-elections in all the polling stations. Adequate numbers of EVMs and VVPATs have been made available and all steps have been taken to ensure that the polls are conducted smoothly with the help of these machines.

### **3. IDENTIFICATION OF VOTERS**

Electoral Photo Identity Card (EPIC) shall be the main document of identification of a voter. However, any of the below mentioned identification documents can also be shown at the polling station:

- i. Aadhar Card,
- ii. MNREGA Job Card,
- iii. Passbooks with photograph issued by Bank/Post Office,
- iv. Health Insurance Smart Card issued under the scheme of Ministry of Labour,
- v. Driving License,
- vi. PAN Card,
- vii. Smart Card issued by RGI under NPR,
- viii. Indian Passport,
- ix. Pension document with photograph,
- x. Service Identity Cards with photograph issued to employees by Central/State Govt./PSUs/Public Limited Companies, and

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- xi. Official identity cards issued to MPs/MLAs/MLCs.
- xii. Unique Disability ID (UDID) Card, M/o Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India

#### **4. MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Model Code of Conduct shall come into force with immediate effect in the district(s) in which the whole or any part of the Assembly constituency going for election is included, subject to partial modification as issued vide Commission' s instruction No. 437/6/1NST/2016-CCS, dated 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 (available on the commission's website).

#### **5. INFORMATION REGARDING CRIMINAL ANTECEDENTS**

Candidates with criminal antecedents are required to publish information in this regard in newspapers and through Television channels on three occasions during the campaign period. A political party that sets up candidates with criminal antecedents is also required to publish information about criminal background of its candidates, both on its website and also in newspapers and Television channels **on three occasions.**

Commission vide its letter No. 3/4/2019/SDR/Vol. IV dated 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 has directed that the period specified will be decided with three blocks in the following manner, so that electors have sufficient time to know about the background of such candidates:

- a. Within first 4 days of withdrawal.
- b. Between next 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> days.
- c. From 9<sup>th</sup> day till the last day of campaign (the second day prior to date of poll)

*(Illustration: If the last date for withdrawal is 10<sup>th</sup> of the month and poll is on 24<sup>th</sup> of the Month, the first block for publishing of declaration shall be done between 11<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of the Month, second and third blocks shall be between 15<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of that Month, respectively.)*

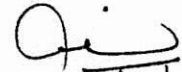
This requirement is in pursuance of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition (C) No. 784 of 2015 (Lok Prahari Vs. Union of India & Others) and Writ Petition (Civil) No. 536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Anr.).



This information will also be available on an App titled, '**know your candidates**'.

**6. COVID RELATED ARRANGEMENT DURING BYE-ELECTION**

The Commission has issued COVID guidelines, October, 2022 on 14.10.2022 which are available on the Commission's website <https://eci.gov.in/files/file/14492-covid-guidelines-for-general-electionbye-elections-to-legislative-assemblies-reg/> to be followed during conduct of elections.



08/08/2023

**(SANJEEV KUMAR PRASAD)  
SECRETARY**



भारत निर्वाचन आयोग  
Election Commission of India

No. 437/6/INST/2016-CCS

To,

1. The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and Union Territories.
2. The Chief Secretaries of all States and Union Territories.
3. Recognized political parties of all States/UTs

Subject:- Model Code of Conduct- instructions- bye-election of Parliamentary/Assembly Constituency -regarding.

Sir,

On the above cited subject, I am directed to state that the Commission has reviewed the issue and has issued the following modifications of its earlier instructions-

1. **Enforcement of MCC**

The Commission's instructions, contained in letters No. 437/6/INST/2012/CC&BE dated 26.04.2012 and No. 437/6/INST/2012/CC&BE dated 21.10.2013, list various provisions of applicability of MCC to the concerned district or the AC/PC concerned. These instructions are modified to the extent that in case the constituency is comprised in State Capital/Metropolitan Cities/Municipal Corporations, then aforesaid instructions would be applicable in the area of concerned Constituency only. In all other cases the MCC would be enforced in the entire district(s) covering the Constituency going for bye-election(s).

2. **Publishing of Advertisements**

The Commission on 25th June, 2013, directed that the release /publishing of advertisements during the period of operation of Model Code of Conduct in connection with bye-elections would be regulated as follows:-

- (i) Advertisement of general nature in connection with specific occasions of importance may be published. However, such publishing shall be restricted to the dates coinciding with the special occasion only, and it shall not be published on other days. The advertisement shall not bear photographs of any Minister and other political functionaries.
- (ii) No advertisement having any specific/pointed reference or connotation to the areas covered by the bye-election constituencies shall be released/published on any date during the period.

*Further, it is clarified that no new schemes should be advertised in the districts where the bye-election is being conducted. [Subpara (ii) above] stands modified.*

3. **Tours of Ministers**

During bye elections from any constituencies, either Parliamentary or Assemblies, the following restrictions are applicable as per instruction issued by the Commission on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2007 with regard to the tours of Ministers which inter alia provides that:-

- (i) All Ministers, whether Central or State, shall not combine in any manner their official tours with election work after the announcement of the bye elections. All and any visits to the district(s) where bye-election is being held and where Model Code of Conduct is, therefore, in force, have to be completely private in nature.
- (ii) In case where a Minister travelling on official work transits through the district(s) where the bye-election is being held en route to any other district on official visit, he shall not attend to any political work.

*Further, it is clarified that the Ministers or persons holding equivalent rank/status cannot combine their official visit with campaign by en routing their journey for official purposes to a place where MCC is not in force and then proceeding from that place to the area where MCC is in force for election campaign. In case it is done, the entire journey expense shall be treated as election expense. [subpara (ii) above stands modified].*

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4. Regarding Transfer/Posting of Officers

*For all officers, who are connected with the conduct of bye-election in the State, the existing ECI's instructions on implementation of transfer policy be applied within the area falling under the concerned AC/PC. While implementing this policy the DEO/RO should take care that in case of deployment of any officer from outside the constituency for any election related duty, shall also conform to the transfer policy of the Commission.*

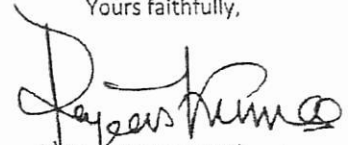
5. Regarding Announcement of D.A.

There is no ECI's instruction in the context of bye-election prohibiting State Governments to take decisions which have State wide effect and consequently in the Constituency concerned.

*The Commission, after taking into consideration all relevant factors in this regards, has decided that announcement of D.A. by the state government may be done as a routine affair but it should not be publicized as the Government's achievement.*

Kindly inform all concerned and give due publicity and ensure compliance in letter and spirit.

Yours faithfully,

  
(R.K. SRIVASTAVA)  
SR. PR. SECRETARY