

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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PRESS NOTE

Subject : Schedule for bye-election to fill casual vacancy in the State Legislative Assembly of Madhya Pradesh - Regarding.

There is a clear vacancy in State Legislative Assembly of Madhya Pradesh, which needs to be filled up:

Vacancies in the State Legislative Assembly:

Sl. No.	Name of State	Number and Name of Assembly Constituency
1	Madhya Pradesh	132 – Ghoradongri (ST)

After taking into consideration various factors like, festivals, electoral rolls, etc., the Commission has decided to hold bye-election to fill this vacancy as per the programme mentioned as under: -

Sl No.	Event	Date
1	Issue of Notification	06.05.2016 (FRI)
2	Last date of making Nominations	13.05.2016 (FRI)
3	Scrutiny of Nominations	14.05.2016 (SAT)
4	Last date for withdrawal of Candidatures	16.05.2016 (MON)
5	Date of Poll	30.05.2016 (MON)
6	Counting of Votes	02.06.2016 (THU)
7	Date before which election shall be completed	04.06.2016 (SAT)

ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll of 132-Ghoradongari Assembly Constituency of Madhya Pradesh where bye-election is being held has been revised with reference to 01.01.2016 as the qualifying date and finally published on 11.01.2016.

ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES (EVMs)

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

IDENTIFICATION OF VOTERS

In consonance with the past practice, the Commission has decided that the voter's identification shall be mandatory in the aforementioned bye- elections at the time of poll. Electoral Photo Identity Cards (EPIC) shall be the main document of identification of a voter. However, in order to ensure that no voter is deprived of his/her franchise, if his/her name figures in the Electoral Rolls, separate instructions will be issued to allow additional documents for identification of voters at the time of poll in the said bye-elections.

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 Constituencies going for bye-elections is included, subject to partial modification as issued vide Commission's instruction No. 437/INST/2012/CC&BE, dated 26th April, 2012 (available on the Commission's website). The Model Code of Conduct shall be applicable to all candidates, political parties and the State Governments concerned. The Model Code of Conduct shall also be applicable to the Union Government for the State.


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