ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. ECI/PN/19/2017   Dated: 21st February, 2017

PRESS NOTE

Subject: **Biennial Election to Andhra Pradesh and Telangana Legislative Councils by the Members of Legislative Assemblies and Bye-election to the Council of States from the State of West Bengal.**

The term of office of 10 members of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana Legislative Councils elected by the Members of Legislative Assemblies is due to expire on 29th March, 2017 respectively as per following detail:

ANDHRA PRADESH

Name of Retiring Members	Date of Retirement
Smt. Kavalipratibha Bharathi	29.03.2017
Sh. B. Changal Rayadu	29.03.2017
Sh. C. Ramchandraiah	29.03.2017
Sh. M. Sudhakar Babu	29.03.2017
Sh. Venkata Satish Kumar Reddy Singa Reddy	29.03.2017
Sh. P. J. C. Shekara Rao	29.03.2017
Sh. Mohammed Jani	29.03.2017

TELANGANA

Name of Retiring Member	Date of Retirement
Sh. Syed Altaf Hyder Razvi	29.03.2017
Sh. M. Ranga Reddy	29.03.2017
Sh. Gangadhar Goud Vullolla	29.03.2017

2.   Besides, a casual vacancy has occurred in the Council of States from the State of West Bengal due to the resignation of Shri Mithun Chakraborty on 28th December, 2016. The date of retirement is up to and including 2nd April, 2020.

3.   Now, the Commission has decided to hold Biennial Election to Andhra Pradesh and Telangana Legislative Councils by the Members of Legislative Assemblies and Bye Election to the Council of States from the State of West Bengal, in accordance with the following schedule:

Issue of Notifications	:	28th February, 2017 (Tuesday)
Last date of making nominations	:	7th March, 2017 (Tuesday)
Scrutiny of nominations	:	8th March, 2017 (Wednesday)
Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	:	10th March, 2017 (Friday)
Date of poll	:	17th March, 2017 (Friday)
Hours of poll	:	9.00 A.M. to 4.00 P.M.
Counting of Votes	:	17th March, 2017 (Friday), At 5.00 P.M.
Date before which election shall be completed	:	20th March, 2017 (Monday)

(VARINDER KUMAR)
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY