# **ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

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#### PRESS NOTE

Subject: Schedule for bye-elections to fill casual vacancy in the Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar and Legislative Assemblies of various States-Regarding.

The Commission has decided to hold following bye-elections to fill vacancies in one (1) Parliamentary Constituency of Bihar and fifty six Assembly Constituencies in Legislative Assemblies of various States as per details below:

S1. No.	State	Number & Name of Parliamentary Constituency	
1. Bihar		1-Valmiki Nagar	

Sl. State		Number & Name of Assembly Constituency	
1.	Chhattisgarh	24-Marwahi(ST)	
2.	Gujarat	01-Abdasa	
3.	Gujarat	61-Limbdi	
4.	Gujarat	65-Morbi	
5.	Gujarat	94-Dhari	
6.	Gujarat	106- Gadhada (SC)	
7.	Gujarat	147-Karjan	
8.	Gujarat	173- Dangs (ST)	
9.	Gujarat	181-Kaprada(ST)	
10.	Haryana	33-Baroda	
11.	Jharkhand	10-Dumka (ST)	
12.	Jharkhand	35- Bermo	
13.	Karnataka	136-Sira	
14.	Karnataka	154-Rajarajeshwarinagar	
15.	Madhya Pradesh	04-Joura	
16.	Madhya Pradesh	5-Sumawali	
17.	Madhya Pradesh	6-Morena	
18.	Madhya Pradesh	7-Dimani	
19.	Madhya Pradesh	8-Ambah (SC)	

20.	Madhya Pradesh	12-Mehgaon		
21.	Madhya Pradesh	13-Gohad (SC)		
22.	Madhya Pradesh	15-Gwalior		
23.	Madhya Pradesh	16-Gwalior East		
24.	Madhya Pradesh	19-Dabra (SC)		
25.	Madhya Pradesh	21-Bhander (SC)		
26.	Madhya Pradesh	23-Karera (SC)		
27.	Madhya Pradesh	24-Pohari		
28.	Madhya Pradesh	28-Bamori		
29.	Madhya Pradesh	32-Ashok Nagar (SC)		
30.	Madhya Pradesh	34-Mungaoli		
31.	Madhya Pradesh	37-Surkhi		
32.	Madhya Pradesh	53- Malhara		
33.	Madhya Pradesh	87-Anuppur (ST)		
34.	Madhya Pradesh	142-Sanchi (SC)		
35.	Madhya Pradesh	161-Biaora		
36.	Madhya Pradesh	166-Agar (SC)		
37.	Madhya Pradesh	172-Hatpipliya		
38.	Madhya Pradesh	175-Mandhata		
39.	Madhya Pradesh	179-Nepanagar (ST)		
40.	Madhya Pradesh	202-Badnawar		
41.	Madhya Pradesh	211-Sanwer (SC)		
42.	Madhya Pradesh	226-Suwasra		
43.	Manipur	30-Lilong		
44.	Manipur	34-Wangjing Tentha		
45.	Nagaland	14-Southern Angami-I (ST)		
46.	Nagaland	60-Pungro-Kiphire (ST)		
47.	Odisha	38-Balasore		
48.	Odisha	102-Tirtol (SC)		
49.	Telangana	41-Dubbak		
50.	Uttar Pradesh	40- Naugawan Sadat		
51.	Uttar Pradesh	65-Bulandshahr		
52.	Uttar Pradesh	95-Tundla (SC)		
53.	Uttar Pradesh	162- Bangermau		
54.	Uttar Pradesh	218-Ghatampur (SC)		
55.	Uttar Pradesh	337- Deoria		
56.	Uttar Pradesh	367-Malhani		

After taking into consideration various factors like local festivals, weather conditions, movement of forces, pandemic etc., the Commission has decided to hold bye-elections to fill these vacancies as per the

programme mentioned as under:

Poll Events	Schedule for bye- elections in 54 ACs of various States (except Manipur)	Schedule for bye- elections in one PC of Bihar and two ACs of Manipur
Date of Issue of Gazette Notification	09.10.2020 (Friday)	13.10.2020 (Tuesday)
Last Date of Nominations	16.10.2020 (Friday)	20.10.2020 (Tuesday)
Date for Scrutiny of Nominations	17.10.2020 (Saturday)	21.10.2020 (Wednesday)
Last Date for Withdrawal of candidatures	19.10.2020 (Monday)	23.10.2020 (Friday)
Date of Poll	03.11.2020 (Tuesday)	07.11.2020 (Saturday)
Date of Counting	10.11.2020 (Tuesday)	10.11.2020 (Tuesday)
Date before which election shall be completed	12.11.2020 (Thursday)	12.11.2020 (Thursday)

## 1. ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Rolls for the aforesaid Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies w.r.t 01.01.2020 as the qualifying date has been finally published.

# 2. ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES (EVMs) and VVPATs

Adequate numbers of EVMs and VVPATs have been made available for the aforementioned bye-elections.

#### 3. IDENTIFICATION OF VOTERS

In continuance of the existing practice, the voter's identification shall be mandatory in the aforementioned 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, following alternate identity documents are also prescribed:

- 1. Aadhar Card
- 2. MNREGA Job Card
- 3. PAN Card
- 4. Passbooks with photograph issued by Bank/Post Office.

- 5. Health Insurance Smart Card issued under the scheme of Ministry of Labour
- 6. Driving License
- 7. Passport
- 8. Service Identity Cards with photograph issued to employees by
- 9. Smart Card issued by RGI under NPR
- 10. Pension document with photograph
- 11. Official identity cards issued to MPs/MLAs/MLCs and

### 4. MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

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). The Model code of conduct shall be applicable to all candidates, political parties and the state Government concerned. Model code of conduct shall be applicable to the Union Government also.

All instructions concerning publicity of criminal antecedents by the concerned candidates and the related political parties, who select them, as directed vide letter no. 3/4/2020/SDR/Vol.III dated 6 March 2020 and letter no. 3/4/2019/SDR/Vol.IV dated 16 September 2020 shall be followed in these elections.

Other instructions including postal ballot facilities to senior citizen(above 80 years of age) and PwD electors; election expenditure management etc. shall be applicable to the aforementioned Bye-elections.

# 5. BROAD GUIDELINES TO BE FOLLOWED DURING THE CONDUCT OF BYE-ELECTIONS DURING COVID-19

In view of spread of COVID-19, the Commission on 21st August, 2020 has issued broad guidelines, which is to be followed strictly during the conduct of election, which is annexed here with as **Annexure-1** which is also available on Commission's website.

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