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NOTIFICATIONS BY HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, ETC.

TAMIL NADU STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, CHENNAI-600 106.

[ELECTIONS - TOWN PANCHAYATS, MUNICIPALITIES AND CORPORATIONS - CONDUCT OF -
HOURS OF POLL - NOTIFIED.]

(S.O.No.4/2022/TNSEC/ME1, dated the 20th January 2022)

No.VI(2)/13(a)/2022.

WHEREAS, rule 22 of the Tamil Nadu Town Panchayats, Municipalities and Corporations (Elections) Rules, 2006, provides that the hours during which the poll will be open for the elections to the Town Panchayats, Municipalities and Corporations, being not less than ten hours between 7.00 A.M. and 5.30 P.M.

WHEREAS, due to prevailing Covid-19 pandemic situation and the guidelines (Standard Operating Procedures) are being issued by the Government, the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission, as a precautionary measure and to facilitate the electors, having temperature more than 98.4 F with Covid-19 symptoms or undergoing treatment for Covid-19, to exercise franchise, has decided to extend the hours of poll to 11 hours instead of 10 hours in elections to Urban Local Bodies; and

WHEREAS, a difficulty has thus arisen for the extension of hours of poll;

NOW, THEREFORE, for removing the difficulty, in exercise of the powers conferred under Article 243ZA of Constitution of India and rule 22 read with rule 139 the Tamil Nadu Town Panchayats, Municipalities and Corporations (Elections), Rules, 2006, the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission hereby fixes that the hours of poll in elections to Town Panchayats, Municipalities and Corporations, shall be between **7.00 A.M. and 6.00 P.M.** and fixes the last one hour between **5.00 P.M. and 6.00 P.M.** exclusively for the electors having temperature more than 98.4 F with Covid-19 symptoms or undergoing treatment for Covid-19, on the day notified for poll.

(By Order of the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission)

Chennai-600 106,
27th January 2022.

E. SUNDARAVALLI,
Secretary,
Tamil Nadu State Election Commission.