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Notification by the Election Commission of India

DIRECTION BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

ELECTION COMMISSION'S DIRECTION SPECIFYING THAT THE VOTES AT THE CURRENT BYE-ELECTION TO TAMIL NADU LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FROM 75.VIKRAVANDI ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY SHALL BE GIVEN AND RECORDED BY MEANS OF ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES AND VVPAT

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The following Direction of the Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110 001, dated 20th June, 2024 is published:-

No.576/3/EVM/2024/SDR-Vol.-II:- Whereas, Section 61A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, provides that the giving and recording of votes by voting machines in such manner as may be prescribed, may be adopted in such constituency or constituencies as the Election Commission of India may, having regard to the circumstances of each case, specify;

2. Whereas, as per the proviso to Rule 49A of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, a printer with a drop box of such design, as may be approved by the Election Commission of India, may also be attached to voting machine for printing a paper trail of the vote, in such constituency or constituencies or parts thereof as the Election Commission of India may direct;

3. Whereas, the Election Commission has considered the circumstances in **current bye elections to the 60-Rupauli Assembly Constituency in Bihar, 35-Raiganj, 90-Ranaghat Dakshin (SC), 94-Bagda (SC) & 167-Maniktala Assembly Constituencies in West Bengal, 75-Vikravandi Assembly Constituency in Tamil Nadu, 123-Amarwara (ST) Assembly Constituency in Madhya Pradesh, 04-Badrinath & 33-Manglaur Assembly Constituencies in Uttrakhand, 34-Jalandhar West (SC) Assembly Constituency in Punjab and 10-Dehra, 38-Hamirpur & 51-Nalagarh Assembly Constituencies in Himachal Pradesh, announced vide the Election Commission's Press Notes No. ECI/PN/120/2024 dated 10th June 2024**, and is satisfied that sufficient number of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) and Printers for printing Paper Trail [Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT)] are available for taking the poll in the above Assembly Constituencies. The polling personnel are well trained in efficient handling of EVMs and 'VVPAT Printers' and the electors are also fully conversant with the operation of the EVMs and the VVPAT Printers;

4. Now, therefore, the Election Commission of India, in exercise of its powers under the said Section 61A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, and Rule 49A of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, hereby **specifies current bye elections to the 60-Rupauli Assembly Constituency in Bihar, 35-Raiganj, 90-Ranaghat Dakshin (SC), 94-Bagda (SC) & 167-Maniktala Assembly Constituencies in West Bengal, 75-Vikravandi Assembly Constituency**

in Tamil Nadu, 123-Amarwara (ST) Assembly Constituency in Madhya Pradesh, 04-Badrinath & 33-Manglaur Assembly Constituencies in Uttrakhand, 34-Jalandhar West (SC) Assembly Constituency in Punjab and 10-Dehra, 38-Hamirpur & 51-Nalagarh Assembly Constituencies in Himachal Pradesh, as per the schedule announced by the Election Commission on 10th June, 2024, as the constituencies in which the votes, shall be given and recorded by means of EVMs and VVPAT printers in the manner prescribed, under the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, and the supplementary instructions issued by the Election Commission from time to time on the subject.

5. The Election Commission also hereby approves the design of EVMs and VVPAT Printers as developed by the Bharat Electronics Ltd., Bangalore and Electronics Corporation of India Ltd., Hyderabad, which shall be attached to the said machines, to be used for the giving and recording of votes in all the Constituencies.

(By Order)

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Secretariat,
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24th June 2024.

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