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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No.464/KT-LA/2013 (P)

Dated: 4th May, 2013

To,

The Chief Electoral Officer
Karnataka,
Bangalore.

Subject: General Election for constituting a new Legislative Assembly for the State of Karnataka, 2013 – Extension of hours of poll.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith, the Commission's Notification issued under Section 56 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 in respect of all the assembly constituencies of the State of Karnataka and to request that arrangements may kindly be made for its publication in an extraordinary issue of the official gazette of Karnataka State on 4th May, 2013.

2. You should immediately issue a press release giving the information about the extension of time and also hold a press conference in the matter. Similarly all the Deputy Commissioners should be directed to issue press release and hold press conference in their districts. News should be published in the prominent newspapers also immediately and arrangements should be made for flashing the new item in the TV and other electronic media to run the message for today and tomorrow. The R.O s should be directed to instruct the Presiding officers of all the polling stations to display the notice at all polling stations prominently. You should also inform all the political parties in writing immediately. Returning Officer should be directed to inform in writing to all the candidates.

3. Ten copies each of the Gazettes containing the above mentioned Notifications may kindly be forwarded to the Commission as soon as they are published.

4. The receipt of the letter along with its enclosures may kindly be acknowledged by the return fax message.

Yours faithfully,

(DARSUO THANG)
UNDER SECRETARY

Copy to - Chief Secretary to the Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.

TO BE PUBLISHED IN AN
EXTRAORDINARY ISSUE OF
THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE OF
KARNATAKA STATE DATED
4TH MAY, 2013.

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Dated:- 4th May, 2013
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NOTIFICATION

464/KT-LA/2013: - Whereas, the Governor of the State of Karnataka has, by Notification issued under sub-section (2) of section 15 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 (43 of 1951), published in the official Gazette of the State on the 10th April, 2013 (Wednesday), been pleased to call upon all the Assembly Constituencies in the State of Karnataka, to elect members to the Legislative Assembly of the State, in accordance with the provisions of the said Act and of the rules and orders made thereunder;

Whereas, the Commission has, under Section 56 of the said Act notified hours of poll from 7.00 am to 5.00 pm as the hours of poll during which the poll shall be taken in all the assembly constituencies of the state; and

Whereas, the Commission considers that in view of the extreme heat in the State of Karnataka at present, it is necessary to extend the hours of poll to facilitate all the voters to cast their votes even in the late hours; and

Now, therefore, in exercise of powers under Section 56 of the said Act, the Election Commission of India **hereby fixes the hours from 0700 hrs to 1800 hrs** as the hours during which the poll shall, if necessary, be taken on the date specified above, for the election, and para (B) of the Commission's notification No.464/KT-LA/2013(P) dated 10th April,2013 shall be deemed to be amended accordingly.

By order,

(TAPAS KUMAR)
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA