

Presidential Election 2012  
By Camp Bag/Special Messenger

## ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. 479/11/2012-CC & BE

Dated: 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2012

To

The Chief Electoral Officers  
of all States, NCT of Delhi and UT of Puducherry

**Sub: Presidential Election 2012- Printing of Ballot Papers.**

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to say that under rules 10 (1) and 26 (1) of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections Rules, 1974, the ballot papers for the Presidential Elections shall be in such form and the particulars therein shall be in such language or languages, as the Election Commission may direct. A copy of the direction issued by the Commission in this behalf and a sample ballot paper prepared in accordance with that direction has already been forwarded to you with the Commission's letter No.481/2012-CC & BE, dated 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2012. It will be observed from para 1 of that direction that the ballot papers for use by the elected Members of both Houses of Parliament will be printed on **Green Colour Paper of 75 GSM** and those for use by the elected Members of the Legislative Assemblies of the States will be printed on **Pink Colour Paper of 75 GSM** and the particulars therein shall be in the language or languages as specified in sub-paras (vi) to (viii) of para 2 of the said direction.

2. Following the procedures adopted for the previous Presidential Election the Commission has decided that for the current Presidential Election, arrangement for the printing of-

- (i) Ballot papers to be issued to the elected Members of both Houses of Parliament, and
- (ii) Ballot papers to be issued to the elected Members of the Legislative Assemblies of (i) Arunachal Pradesh, (ii) Bihar, (iii) Chhattisgarh, (iv)

Haryana, (v) Himachal Pradesh, (vi) Jharkhand, (vii) Madhya Pradesh, (viii) Meghalaya, (ix) Mizoram, (x) Nagaland, (xi) Rajasthan, (xii) Uttaranchal, (xiii) Uttar Pradesh and (xiv) NCT of Delhi

will be done by the Commission at the Government of India Press, Maya Puri, New Delhi. The number of ballot papers for MPs shown against the name of your State in column (II) of **Statement-I** are being sent in case any MP of your State/other States, applies and seek approval of the Commission to cast their vote in the place of polling of your State. The ballot papers for MLAs of the States shown in **Statement-II** shall also be printed at Delhi and supplied by the Commission on **15<sup>th</sup> July, 2012** alongwith other election materials.

3. The ballot papers to be issued to the elected Members of the Legislative Assemblies of (i) Andhra Pradesh, (ii) Assam, (iii) Goa, (iv) Gujarat, (v) Jammu and Kashmir, (vi) Karnataka, (vii) Kerala, (viii) Maharashtra, (ix) Manipur, (x) Odisha, (xi) Punjab, (xii) Sikkim, (xiii) Tamil Nadu, (xiv) Tripura, (xv) West Bengal and (xvi) Puducherry will be printed in the Government Presses of the concerned State under strict security arrangements by the Chief Electoral Officers.

4. Preliminary steps may please be taken immediately by the Chief Electoral Officers of States mentioned in para 3 above in consultation with the officer-in-charge of the Government Press to procure required paper for the printing of ballot papers for the current Presidential Election in accordance with the direction of the Commission. Three specimen proofs of the ballot papers to be printed in the 16 States mentioned in para 3 above, leaving space for the names of the candidates contesting the election may be sent to the Commission immediately and latest by 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2012.

5. Immediately, after the last date for the withdrawal of candidatures, i.e. 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2012, Form 5 showing the names of the contesting candidates will be sent to you by the Commission. The printing of the ballot papers in your State may be done in the manner of the direction issued by the Commission. In place of the names of the candidates in Hindi in the list of contesting candidates, their names in the official language of your

State as specified in the Table in sub-para (viii) of para 2 of the aforesaid direction of the Commission, should be substituted by you.

6. The following special instructions shall be observed for the printing of ballot papers by the CEOs of 16 States mentioned in para 3 above:

- (i) The total number of ballot papers to be printed on pink colour paper for the elected Members of the Legislative Assembly of each State will be as shown in the **Statement-III** sent herewith.
- (ii) The ballot papers to be printed in each State will be numbered consecutively commencing from serial number 1.
- (iii) The serial number of ballot papers shall be printed on the Counterfoil on front side of the ballot paper. The same serial number shall be printed on left side of the reverse of the ballot paper below the perforated line and the instructions to electors shall be printed below the serial number on reverse side of ballot paper.
- (iv) Before the ballot papers are supplied to the Assistant Returning Officer in the State Headquarters, the serial number on reverse side of each ballot paper (not on its counterfoil) shall be effectively concealed. For this purpose, a strip of black paper of the length of 12 cms and the width of 1.5 cms be pasted on the serial number of ballot paper in the following manner:
  - (a) Apply gum on both the **ends** of the strip.
  - (b) Paste one end of the strip on the reverse side of ballot paper so as to cover effectively the serial number.
  - (c) Thereafter, fold the strip along side the edge of ballot paper and paste it's other end duly gummed on front side of ballot paper covering the area where serial number is printed on the reverse. However, it should be ensured that no particulars printed on the front of the ballot paper are covered or affected even partially in this process. Before doing so, it shall be checked and verified that

the serial number on the ballot paper and the serial number on its counterfoil are identical. This job of concealing the serial numbers will be undertaken in the office of the Chief Electoral Officer/State Government press concerned in respect of the ballot papers printed at the State Government Press in the State under the supervision of some senior Officers.

- (v) Prefix "Shri/Smt./Shrimati" shall not be given before the name of the candidate.
- (vi) No serial number be printed before the name of the candidate.
- (vii) The order of each name of candidates shall be the name in Regional Language on top and the name in capital letter in English below it in the same panel.
- (viii) The reverse side of the counterfoil will be totally blank area.
- (ix) Special care shall be taken to see that the perforation for detaching the ballot paper from its counterfoil is done effectively.
- (x) After the printing of ballot papers is over, they shall be bound in pads of 25 each.

7. Under sub-rule (2) of rule 26 of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections Rules, 1974, the postal ballot paper for any elector who may be under preventive detention shall be sent by the Election Commission by registered post to officer-in-charge of the jail or other place where the elector is detained. For this purpose and also for issue to such MLAs as are permitted by the Commission to vote in the Parliament House, New Delhi, one pad containing 25 ballot papers from the end of the series of the ballot papers printed in your State may be sent to the Commission immediately after the printing of ballot papers in your State is completed. This pad may be sent through the officers who will be coming to the Commission for collection of Election Material on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2012.

8. The remaining ballot papers printed in your State may be supplied to the Assistant Returning Officer for the Presidential Election in your State under intimation

to the Commission. The Assistant Returning Officer shall keep these ballot papers in a safe and secure place and shall be personally responsible for their safe custody till the date of poll.

9. The receipt of the letter along with its enclosure may kindly be acknowledged by **return Fax**.

Yours faithfully,

**(DILIP K. VARMA)**  
**UNDER SECRETARY**

Copy forwarded to:-

**By Special Messenger**

1. The Returning Officer for the Presidential Election and Secretary General, Rajya Sabha, Room No. 29, Parliament House, New Delhi.
2. The Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Law & Justice, Legislative Department, New Delhi.
3. The Assistant Returning Officers for Presidential Election (Through Chief Electoral Officers).

**(DILIP K. VARMA)**  
**UNDER SECRETARY**

**STATEMENT-I****PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, 2012****STATEMENT SHOWING THE NUMBER OF BALLOT PAPER FOR ELECTED MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT TO BE PRINTED IN HINDI AND ENGLISH (DIGLOT)**

		No. of Ballot Papers	Serial Numbers
I.	Ballot papers to be given to the Returning Officer at Headquarters (New Delhi)	900	1-900
II.	Ballot papers to be printed for supply to Assistant Returning Officers in States		
1.	Andhra Pradesh	50	901-950
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	25	951-975
3.	Assam	25	976-1000
4.	Bihar	50	1001-1050
5.	Chhattisgarh	25	1051-1075
6.	Goa	25	1076-1100
7.	Gujarat	50	1101-1150
8.	Haryana	25	1151-1175
9.	Himachal Pradesh	25	1176-1200
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	25	1201-1225
11.	Jharkhand	25	1226-1250
12.	Karnataka	50	1251-1300
13.	Kerala	25	1301-1325
14.	Madhya Pradesh	50	1326-1375
15.	Maharashtra	50	1376-1425
16.	Manipur	25	1426-1450
17.	Meghalaya	25	1451-1475
18.	Mizoram	25	1476-1500
19.	Nagaland	25	1501-1525
20.	Odisha	25	1526-1550
21.	Punjab	25	1551-1575
22.	Rajasthan	25	1576-1600
23.	Sikkim	25	1601-1625
24.	Tamil Nadu	50	1626-1675
25.	Tripura	25	1676-1700
26.	Uttarakhand	25	1701-1725
27.	Uttar Pradesh	50	1726-1775
28.	West Bengal	50	1776-1825
29.	NCT of Delhi	25	1826-1850
30.	Puducherry	25	1851-1875
	<b>Total</b>		<b>1875 Ballot Papers</b>

## STATEMENT-II

### BALLOT PAPERS REQUIRED TO BE PRINTED FOR THE USE OF MLAs OF VARIOUS STATES

{TO BE PRINTED IN NEW DELHI IN GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PRESS}

Sl. No.	STATE	No. of MLAs elected	No. of ballot papers to be printed	No. of ballot papers to be supplied to AROs
1.	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	60	100	75
2.	BIHAR	243	300	275
3.	CHHATTISGARH	90	150	125
4.	HARYANA	90	150	125
5.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	68	125	100
6.	JHARKHAND	81	125	100
7.	MADHYA PRADESH	230	300	275
8.	MEGHALAYA	60	100	75
9.	MIZORAM	40	75	50
10.	NAGALAND	60	100	75
11.	RAJASTHAN	200	250	225
12.	UTTARAKHAND	70	125	100
13.	UTTAR PRADESH	403	475	450
14.	NCT of DELHI	70	125	100
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1765</b>	<b>2500</b>	<b>2150</b>

### STATEMENT-III

#### **BALLOT PAPERS REQUIRED TO BE PRINTED FOR THE USE OF MLAs OF VARIOUS STATES**

**{TO BE PRINTED BY THE CEOs IN THEIR RESPECTIVE STATES}**

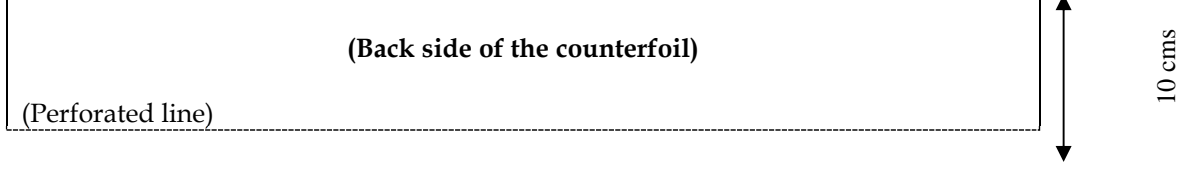
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>STATE</b>	<b>No. of MLAs elected</b>	<b>No. of ballot papers to be printed</b>	<b>No. of ballot papers to be supplied to AROs</b>
1.	ANDHRA PRADESH	294	375	350
2.	ASSAM	126	175	150
3.	GOA	40	75	50
4.	GUJARAT	182	250	225
5.	JAMMU & KASHMIR	87	125	100
6.	KARNATAKA	224	300	275
7.	KERALA	140	200	175
8.	MAHARASHTRA	288	350	325
9.	MANIPUR	60	100	75
10.	ODISHA	147	200	175
11.	PUNJAB	117	175	150
12.	SIKKIM	32	75	50
13.	TAMIL NADU	234	300	275
14.	TRIPURA	60	100	75
15.	WEST BENGAL	294	350	325
16.	PUDUCHERRY	30	75	50
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2355</b>	<b>3225</b>	<b>2825</b>



## SAMPLE BALLOT PAPER

<b>Counterfoil</b>		<b>No. 21</b>
<b>BALLOT PAPER PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION 19TH JULY, 2012.</b>		
Serial Number of elector in the list maintained under rule 40 of the Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections Rules, 1974		
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(Perforated line)		
मतपत्र राष्ट्रपतीय निर्वाचन 19 जुलाई, 2012		
<b>BALLOT PAPER PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION 19TH JULY, 2012</b>		
		<b>बिहार Bihar 173</b>
अभ्यर्थी का नाम Name of Candidate	अधिमान क्रम Order of Preference	
चन्द्रकान्ता नेगी CHANDERKANTA NEGI		
जानकी देवी JANKI DEVI		
कप्तान चन्द कौंडिल KAPTAN CHAND KOUNDIL		
राजेश कुमार सिंह RAJESH KUMAR SINGH		

## REVERSE SIDE OF THE BALLOT PAPER



No. 21

### अनुदेश

- 1 आप जिस अभ्यर्थी को मत देना चाहते हैं उसके नाम के सामने वाले स्थान में अंक 1 लगाकर मत दें। अंक 1 केवल एक अभ्यर्थी के नाम के सामने लगाइए।
- 2 अन्य अभ्यर्थी/अभ्यर्थियों के लिए अपने क्रमिक अधिमान का उपदर्शन आप उसके/उनके नाम/नामों के सामने वाले स्थान/स्थानों में ऐसे अधिमान के क्रमानुसार अंक 2,3,4 आदि लगाकर करिए।
- 3 किसी अभ्यर्थी के नाम के सामने एक से अधिक अंक न लगाइए।
- 4 एक से अधिक अभ्यर्थियों के नामों के सामने वही अंक न लगाइए।
- 5 ऊपर निर्दिष्ट अंक भारतीय अंकों के अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय रूप में या रोमन में अथवा किसी भारतीय भाषा में प्रयुक्त रूप में लगाए जा सकते हैं परन्तु उनके शब्दों को उपदर्शित नहीं किया जाएगा।

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Vote by placing the figure 1 in the space opposite the name of the candidate for whom you wish to vote. Place the figure 1 opposite the name of one candidate only.
2. Indicate relative preference(s) for the other candidate(s) by placing in the space(s) opposite his/her name(s) the figure(s) 2,3,4 etc. in the order of such preferences.
3. Do not place more than one figure opposite the name of any candidate.
4. Do not place the same figure opposite the names of more than one candidate.
5. The figure, referred to above, may be marked in the international form of Indian numerals or in the Roman form or in the form used in any Indian language but shall not be indicated in words.