

**Message from the**  
**Chief Election Commissioner**  
**on the**  
**6<sup>th</sup> National Voters' Day**

Dear Citizens and Voters,

On this momentous occasion of the 6<sup>th</sup>, National Voters' Day, I congratulate all citizens and voters of this nation. I would specially congratulate, and welcome newly registered electors, who have just been enrolled as voters. In all forthcoming elections, newly enrolled voters, will get an opportunity, to exercise, their right of franchise for the first time.

Friends, this is a very proud day for all of us, since this was the day, when the Election Commission of India was set up in 1950. Since then, the Commission has dedicated itself, to the task of delivering, free, fair and credible elections to the Indian people. I would thank all voters, for their greater participation in the last Lok Sabha elections and State elections held after that. Our endeavour is, to make elections more voter-centric, voter-friendly, participative, inclusive, transparent and festive.

The theme of the National Voters' Day this year is, 'Inclusive and Qualitative Participation', which focuses on registering all eligible citizens as voters and encouraging them for optimum, informed and ethical participation. Our slogan is "No voter to be left behind".

As Chief Election Commissioner of India, I call upon all citizens of this country, to strengthen democracy, by way of enrolment and increasing participation in forthcoming elections. Let us all take a moment, to take pledge and reaffirm our faith in ourselves, as voters and strengthen the nation and democracy.

I would once again extend my heartiest congratulations and best wishes to every citizen of this nation on the National Voters' Day, 2016.

Thank you very much.

Jai Hind!!