

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. ECI/PN/31/2015

Dated: 7th May, 2015

PRESS NOTE

Subject: Election to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council by the Members of the Legislative Assembly to fill regular vacancies of three Members and a bye-election to fill the casual vacancy in the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council, by the members of the Legislative Assembly.

Three additional seats of members in the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council to be filled by election by the Members of Legislative Assembly of the state have been provided under the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganization (Amendment) Act, 2015, dated 30.03.2015, read with Notification issued by Ministry of Home Affairs, dated 29.04.2015. Hence, Election to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council by the Members of Legislative Assembly is required to be held to fill up the said three regular vacancies under Section 16 read with Section 15A of the Representation of People Act, 1951 and Article 324 of the Constitution of India.

2. Accordingly, the Commission has decided to hold an election to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council by the Members of the state Legislative Assembly to fill up the above mentioned three vacancies in accordance with the following schedule:-

Sl.No.	Subject of Programme	Dates and Days
1.	Issue of Notification	14 th May, 2015 (Thursday)
2.	Last Date of making nominations	21 st May, 2015 (Thursday)
3.	Scrutiny of nominations	22 nd May, 2015 (Friday)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	25 th May, 2015 (Monday)
5.	Date of Poll	1 st June, 2015 (Monday)
6.	Hours of Poll	9.00 A.M. to 4.00 P.M.
7.	Counting of Votes	1 st June, 2015 (Monday) at 5.00 P.M.
8.	Date before which election shall be completed	3 rd June, 2015 (Wednesday)

3. Apart from the above, there is a casual vacancy, occurred in the State Legislative Council of Andhra Pradesh elected by the members of Legislative Assembly due to death of **Sri Paladugu Venkata Rao** on 19th January, 2015, whose term of office is up-to and including 29th March, 2017.

4. The Commission has also decided to hold a bye-election to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council by MLAs to fill up the above mentioned casual vacancy also according to the above mentioned schedule.

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