

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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PRESS NOTE

Subject: Schedule for bye-election to fill casual vacancies in Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly-regarding.

There are three clear vacancies from the 23-Doiwala, 51-Somswar (SC) and 42-Dharchula Assembly Constituencies of the State of Uttarakhand, which need to be filled up. The Commission has decided to hold bye-elections to fill these vacancies as per the following schedule:-

1	Issue of Notification	27.06.2014 (Friday)
2	Last date of making Nominations	04.07.2014 (Friday)
3	Scrutiny of Nominations	05.07.2014 (Saturday)
4	Last date for withdrawal of Candidatures	07.07.2014 (Monday)
5	Date of Poll	21.07.2014 (Monday)
6	Counting of Votes	25.07.2014 (Friday)
7	Date before which election shall be completed	31.07.2014 (Thursday)

ELECTORAL ROLL

The electoral rolls of these Assembly Constituencies have been revised with reference to 01.01.2014 as the qualifying date and have been finally published on 31.01.2014 in the State of Uttarakhand.

ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES (EVMs)

The Commission has decided to use EVMs in the bye-elections in all the polling stations. Adequate number of EVMs have been made available and all steps have

been taken to ensure that the polls are conducted smoothly with the help of these machines.

IDENTIFICATION OF VOTERS

The Commission has decided that the voter's Identification shall be mandatory in the aforementioned bye-elections at the time of poll. Photo Electoral Roll (PER) shall be the main document of identification of a voter. However, in order to ensure that no voter is deprived of his/her franchise, if his/her name figures in the Electoral Rolls, separate instructions will be issued to allow additional documents for identification of voters at the time of poll in the said bye-election.

MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

The Model Code of Conduct shall come into force with immediate effect in the district(s) in which the whole or any part of the Assembly Constituency going for bye-election is included, subject to partial modification as issued vide Commission's instruction No. 437/INST/2012/CC&BE, dated 26th April, 2012 (available on the Commission's website). The Model Code of Conduct shall be applicable to all candidates, political parties and the State Government concerned. The Model Code of Conduct shall also be applicable to the Union Government in respect of the above district(s) of the State concerned.



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