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**PRESS NOTE**

The Commission had announced the schedule for Election to the Office of the fourteenth President of India vide its press note dated 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2017, fixing inter-alia 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 as the date of poll and 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 as the date of counting. As scheduled, the poll was taken on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 at Parliament House in New Delhi and at all State Capitals (including Delhi and Puducherry). Out of total electorate of 4896 (776 MPs and 4120 MLAs) 4851 electors (768 MPs and 4083 MLAs) exercise their franchise. The Returning Officer of the said election, the Secretary General of Lok Sabha, yesterday, after the counting of votes was over, declared Shri Ramnath Kovind elected as the next President of India. The process which was initiated on 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 with the publication of programme notification in the Gazette has culminated today with the signing of the Certification of the Election of Sh. Ramnath Kovind as the 14<sup>th</sup> President of the Republic of India by Sh. A.K. Joti, Chief Election Commissioner & Sh. O.P. Rawat, Election Commissioner. Thereafter, Sh. Vijay Dev, DEC and Sh. RK Srivastava, Sr. Principal Secretary handed over a signed copy of the same to the Union Home Secretary, which will be read out at the time of oath taking ceremony of the new President of India on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

The Commission puts on record its sincere appreciation to entire team of the Returning Officer/Assistant Returning Officers, CEOs, ECI Observers, Delhi Police, CISF, DGCA and BCAS for their excellent cooperation in the conduct of the aforesaid election.



  
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