

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashok Road, New Delhi-110 001

No. 576/EXIT/ECI/LET/FUNC/JUD/SDR/VOL.II/2017

Dated: 3rd October 2017

To,

The Chief Electoral Officer's

1. Punjab
2. Kerala

Subject: -Bye-Elections to the House of the People and State Legislative Assembly, 2017 – Exit Poll – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith the Commission's Notification No. 576/Exit/ECI/LET/FUNC/JUD/SDR/VOL.II/2017, dated 3rd October, 2017 with the request that this may be published in an extraordinary issue of the State gazette and a copy thereof may be sent to the Commission for record.

This may be brought to the notice of all concerned including news bureaus, media houses, radio and television channels etc.

Yours faithfully,



(Abhishek Tiwari)

Section Officer

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NOTIFICATION

Whereas, the schedule for the Bye-Elections to the House of the People and Legislative Assembly in the State of Punjab and Kerala respectively, has been announced by the Commission vide Press Note No. ECI/PN/73/2017, dated 12th September, 2017.

2. And whereas, as per the provisions of Section 126A of the R.P. Act, 1951, there shall be restrictions on conduct of any exit poll and publication and dissemination of result of such exit poll during such period as may be notified by the Election Commission in this regard;

3. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers under sub-Section (1) of section 126A of the R.P. Act, 1951, the Election Commission, having regard to the provisions of Sub-Section (2)(b) of the said Section, hereby notifies the period between **7.00 A.M.** and **6.30 P.M.** on **11-10-2017(Wednesday)**, as the period during which conducting any exit poll and publishing or publicizing by means of the print or electronic media or dissemination in any other manner whatsoever, the result of any exit poll in connection with the said bye-elections announced vide the Commission's Press Note No. ECI/PN/73/2017, dated 12th September, 2017 from **1-Gurdaspur Parliamentary Constituency in Punjab and 41-Vengara Assembly Constituency in Kerala** shall be prohibited.

4. It is further clarified that under Section 126(1)(b) of the R.P. Act, 1951, displaying any election matter including results of any opinion poll or any other poll survey, in any electronic media, would be prohibited during the period of 48 hours ending with the hours fixed for conclusion of poll for the aforesaid bye-elections.

By order,


(N.T.BHUTIA)
SECRETARY