

Public (Elections-III) Department

PRESS RELEASE

Following are the important events relating to Bye-election to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly from 83. Yercaud (ST) Assembly Constituency which occurred today:

(A) Consequent on the announcement of poll schedule for the Bye-election to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly from 83.Yercaud (ST) Assembly Constituency on 4.10.2013, the Model Code of Conduct has come into force in the entire Salem District from the said date. A complaint was received in the Commission alleging that the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, while campaigning for the party candidate in the district made announcements on new schemes on 28.11.2013 during the election campaign for the above bye-election. Now, the Election Commission of India has issued a Notice to the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, for the above complaint on violation of Model Code of Conduct. The Election Commission of India has directed that the reply in the above matter must reach the Commission by 5 p.m. of 3rd December, 2013.

(B) Voter slips have been distributed to all voters by the District Election Officer. All those who have still not got their slips can come to the polling station on the polling day and get their slip from the facilitation counter to be set up by electoral authorities at each polling station.

(C) Apart from voter slips being issued to all voters, SMS messages has also been sent to all voters whose mobile numbers are there in the electoral roll data base. The message gives the EPIC No., Part No., Serial No., in the electoral roll and the slogan "Vote without Note - Don't sell your future". Posters have also been printed and pasted at polling stations and other public places asking people to vote without taking bribe and informing them that punishment for taking / giving bribe is one year jail.

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