

Public (Elections-IV) Department

PRESS RELEASE

According to the provisions of Section 77 of the Representation of the People's Act, 1951 the expenditure incurred by leaders of political parties on account of travel by air or any other means of transport for propagating programme of the political party is not deemed to be expenditure incurred or authorized by the candidate or his/her agent. **The Notification for the Bye-election to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly from 180. Pudukkottai has been published on 18.05.2012. The list of leaders for whom the parties desire to get exemption should be communicated to the Election Commission of India/ Chief Electoral Officer on or before 25.05.2012.** Until 24.05.2012, following parties have asked for and have been given passes to their Star Campaigners:

<u>Name of the Party</u>	<u>No. of Passes</u>
(i) Akhila India Jananayaka Makkal Katchi (Dr. Isaac)	20
(ii) All-India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam	40
(iii) All India Samathuva Makhal Katchi	20
(iv) Indiya Jananayaka Katchi	11
(v) Tamil Maanila Quaide Milleth League	20
(vi) Desiya Murpokku Dravida Kazhagam	40

the names of the Star Campaigners can be seen on the website "elections.tn.nic.in."

2. As per the Commission's instructions, the expenditure on transport of Star Campaigners of a party is not included in the expenditure of the candidate of the party for whom they have been campaigning. However, if the Star Campaigners of one party are campaigning for a candidate of another party then the entire expenditure of the Star Campaigner including transport to and from the headquarters would be added to the expenditures of the candidate.

**CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER,
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