

MOST IMMEDIATE
Biennial Elections to TLC

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER & SPL. C.S. TO GOVT.,
ANDHRA PRADESH AND TELANGANA STATES
South 'H' Block, Secretariat, Hyderabad – 500 022

Memo No.705/Elec.B/A1/2017-25,

Dated: 25.02.2017.

Sub: Elections – Biennial elections to Telangana Council from Mahabubnagar-Rangareddy-Hyderabad Teachers' Constituency scheduled to be held on 09.03.2017 – Restrictions on sale of liquor and declaration of 'Dry Days' - Regarding.

Ref: 1. ECI Press Note No.ECI/PN/14/2017, Dt.06.02.2017.
2. ECI Notification No.322/TL-LC/2017, dt.13.02.2017
3. ECI Notification No.322/TL-LC/2017, dt.21.02.2017

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The Revenue (Excise) Department, Telangana is informed that the Election Commission of India vide its Press Note 1st cited, has announced the schedule for Biennial Elections to Telangana Council from Mahabubnagar-Rangareddy-Hyderabad Teachers' Constituency comprising of Mahabubnagar, Wanaparthy, Nagarkurnool, Jogulamba Gadwal, Ranga Reddy, Medchal, Vikarabad and Hyderabad districts. Further, vide its notifications 2nd and 3rd cited, the Commission has revised the time of poll and date of counting. As per the revised schedule the Poll will be held on 09.03.2017 (Thursday) from 8.00 AM to 6.00 PM and the Counting of the votes will be held on 18.03.2017 (Saturday) from 8.00 AM.

2. According to Section 135C of Representation of People Act, 1951, no spirituous, fermented or intoxicating liquors or other substances of a like nature shall be sold, given or distributed at a hotel, eating house, tavern, shop or any other place, public or private, within a polling area during the period of forty-eight hours ending with the hour fixed for the conclusion of the poll for any election in that polling area.

3. In view of the above statutory provision, 'Dry day' shall be declared and notified under the relevant State/Union Territory laws as is appropriate during 48 hours, ending with the hours fixed for conclusion of poll with respect to polling day for an election in that polling area. This will include the dates of re-poll, if any. Further the dates on which counting of votes is to be taken up shall also be declared 'Dry Day' under the relevant laws.

4. The Revenue (Excise) Department, Telangana are, therefore, requested to issue detailed and comprehensive instructions to the Commissioner of Excise & Prohibition and to concerned District authorities to take appropriate legally effective measures to implement the complete Prohibition on sale of liquor and other substances within the polling areas from 6.00 PM on 07.03.2017 to 6.00 PM on 09.03.2017 and also on day of counting ie., 18.03.2017 till the completion of counting, as per the statutory provisions laid down under *Sec.135-C of R.P. Act, 1951* and assist the election authorities in peaceful and smooth conduct of free and fair poll.

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5. The Revenue (Excise) Department, Telangana are also requested to address the concerned authorities of adjoining State / UT (Pondicherry) to take appropriate steps to check illegal flow of Liquor on the border during the ban period.

6. A copy of the instructions issued in this regard may be marked to this Department for reference and record.

BHANWAR LAL
CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER &
E.O SPL. CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVT.

To

The Revenue (Excise.II) Department, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

(In the name cover of Sri Somesh Kumar, Prl. Secretary to Govt., Revenue (Excise)
Dept., Telangana, Hyderabad)

Copy to:

The Director General of Police, Telangana, Hyderabad.

The Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise, Telangana, Hyderabad

The Collectors & District Election Officers of Mahabubnagar, Wanaparthi, Nagarkurnool,
Jogulamba Gadwal, Ranga Reddy, Medchal and Vikarabad Districts

The Commissioner, GHMC & District Election Officer, Hyderabad
SF/SCs

//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//


SECTION OFFICER