



தமிழ்நாடு மாநில தேர்தல் ஆணையம்

சென்னை - 106

TAMIL NADU STATE ELECTION COMMISSION,
Chennai - 106

சட்டபூர்வ ஆணை
STATUTORY ORDER

சுருக்கக் குறிப்பு
ABSTRACT

ELECTIONS - Ordinary Elections 2019 - Rural Local Bodies - Thoothukudi District, Sathankulam Panchayat Union, Nedunkulam Village Panchayat - Polling Station No.27 AV - Miscreants entered - Unlawful handling of ballot papers - Poll process vitiated - Fresh Poll - Direction - Issued.

S.O.No.116/TNSEC/2019/PE-I

Dated the 28th December 2019

Read:

1. S.O. No. 81/2019/TNSEC/PE-I, dated the 7.12.2019.
2. From the District Election Officer/District Collector, Thoothukudi District letter Rc.No.23221/2019/t.10, Dated 27.12.2019.
3. From the Election Observer, Thoothukudi District report dated 28.12.2019.

ORDER:

WHEREAS the Ordinary Elections to fill up the Offices of the District Panchayat Ward Member, Panchayat Union Ward Member, Village Panchayat President in respect of Sathankulam Panchayat Union of Thoothukudi District were *inter-alia* notified to be held in accordance with the programme of election fixed in the Notification of the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission published with the Statutory Order first read above;

WHEREAS, according to the said programme of election, poll was held on 27.12.2019;

WHEREAS, the District Election Officer/District Collector, Thoothukudi District has reported in the letter second read above that in Polling Station No.27 AV of Nedunkulam Village Panchayat, Sathankulam Panchayat Union, about 221 votes were polled out of total No of 226 voters which works out to 97.79% of total votes of that polling station;

WHEREAS, the District Election Officer/District Collector, Thoothukudi District is also reported that while scrutiny of diary of the Presiding Officer of the said polling station revealed that five miscreants, who are not the electors of that ward; entered the polling station and captured the booth under their control and casted votes;

WHEREAS, it has also been reported by the District Election Officer/District Collector that in view of above activities of unruly mob in the said polling station and the irregularity in procedure committed at the polling station, the poll process is vitiated besides the secrecy of votes and that the result of the poll at that polling station cannot be ascertained

and recommended to cancel the poll held on 27.12.2019 in polling station No.27 AV of Nedunkulam Village Panchayat, Sathankulam Panchayat Union;

WHEREAS, it has also been reported by the Election Observer of Thoothukudi District that lots of bogus voting in front of all the official was done and that from the evidences of 4 video clippings and whatsapp messages it is ascertained that the secrecy of voting was vitiating and recommended for repoll for the polling station No.27 AV, Vellavanputhukulam, Sri Pandi Primary School, Nedunkulam Panchayat at Sathankulam Panchayat Union;

Whereas, after taking all the material circumstances into account, the Commission is satisfied that the poll at the said polling station has been vitiating to such an extent as to affect the result of the elections and the Commission has considered necessary to conduct a fresh poll in respect of polling station No.27 AV, Vellavanputhukulam, Sri Pandi Primary School, Nedunkulam Panchayat at Sathankulam Panchayat Union in order to ensure a free and fair poll;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Art. 243K of the Constitution of India read with the relevant Section of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 and rule 143 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Elections) Rules, 1995, the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission hereby cancels the poll held on 27.12.2019 at the Polling Station No. 27 AV, Vellavanputhukulam, Sri Pandi Primary School, Nedunkulam Panchayat at Sathankulam Panchayat Union, Thoothukudi District, appoints the 30th December 2019, fixes from 07.00 a.m. to 05.00 p.m. for taking a fresh poll at the said polling station and directs the Returning Officer to publish the day so appointed and the hours so fixed, besides intimating the contesting candidates or their election agents and the electors.

(தமிழ்நாடு மாநில தேர்தல் ஆணைய ஆணைப்படி)
(By Order of the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission)

Dr. L. SUBRAMANIAN
செயலாளர்
Secretary

To

The Returning Officers concerned .. through District Election Officer requested to arrange to publish copies of this order in the respective areas covered and also by beat tom tom.

The Assistant Returning Officers concerned

Copy to:

The District Election Officer/District Collector,
Thoothukudi District

The Election Observer, Thoothukudi District

The State Election Officer/Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Ch - 15

The Addl. Chief Secy. to Govt., Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Dept., Ch - 9.

PE-2 and ME-1/ME-2 Sections, Tamil Nadu State Election Commission .. for documentation

Computer Programmer, TNSEC ..to upload in the website.

Stock file/Spares

.. to ensure necessary
arrangement of fresh poll

/forwarded/by order/


Principal Election Officer
(Panchayats)

27.12.19