

தமிழ்நாடு மாநில தேர்தல் ஆணையம்

சென்னை - 106

TAMIL NADU STATE ELECTION COMMISSION,

Chennai - 106

சட்டபூர்வ ஆணை STATUTORY ORDER

கருக்கக் குறிப்பு

ELECTIONS - Panchayats - Conduct of - Hours of Poll - Notified - Amendments - Issued.

S.O.No.13/2021/TNSEC/PE-1 Dated, the 8th September 2021

Read:

S.O. No.6/2021/TNSEC/PE-1, dated the 31st August, 2021.

ORDER:

WHEREAS, due to prevailing COVID-19 pandemic situation, the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission has, inter-alia, fixed hours for poll under Article 243K of the Constitution of India and rule 24 and rule 25 read with rule 143 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Elections) Rules, 1995, between 7.00 A.M. and 7.00 P.M. on the day notified for poll of Panchayat elections;

WHEREAS, during the meeting with all recognised political parties held on 06.09.2021 the representatives of all the parties requested the hours of poll may be reconsidered and suggested to revise the hours for poll, taking into consideration of prevailing ground realities; and

WHEREAS, most of the District Election Officer/District Collectors also suggested in the video conference held in 08.09.2021 that the hours of poll may be fixed between 7.00 A.M. and 6.00 P.M. and further suggested that the last one hour between 5.00 P.M. and 6.00 P.M. may be exclusively fixed for the electors, having temperature more than 98.4°F with COVID-19 symptoms or undergoing treatment for COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred under Article 243K of the Constitution of India and rule 24 and rule 25 read with rule 143 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Elections) Rules, 1995 the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission hereby makes the following amendment to the Notification issued in the Statutory Order read above, published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary No.391, Part VI – Section 2, Dated 1.9.2021 vide Notification No.VI(2)/83(a)/2021 and the DistrictS Gazette, Dated 1st September 2021.

AMENDMENT

In the said Notification, in last para, for the expression "between 7.00 A.M. and 7.00 P.M. on the day notified for poll", the expression "between 7.00 A.M. and 6.00 P.M. and fixes the last one hour between 5.00 P.M. and 6.00 P.M. exclusively for the electors having temperature more than 98.4°F with COVID-19 symptoms or undergoing treatment for COVID-19, on the day notified for poll" shall be substituted.

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

> E. SUNDARAVALLI செயலாளர்

Secretary

To

The Works Manager, Government Central Press, Chennai 79. (with two copies)
With a request to publish the notification in the extraordinary issue of the Tamil
Nadu Government Gazette on 13.09.2021 and supply 20 copies to the Tamil Nadu
State Election Commission.

All District Election Officers/District Collectors (except Chennai)

with a request to arrange to publish the appended notification in the respective District Gazettes.

All District Election Officers and District Collectors (except Chennai)

All Panchayat Union Commissioners

...through District Election Officer/District Collector concerned.

Copy to

The Chief Secretary to Government, Government of Tamil Nadu, Secretariat, Chennai-9
The Director General of Police, Chennai-4

The Principal Secretary to Govt., Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department, Ch-9 The State Election Officer and Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Ch-15 Computer Programmer - To upload in the website.

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