ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

No. ECI/PN/26/2020

Press Note

Dated: 25th February, 2020

Sub: Biennial Elections to the Council of States to fill the seats of members retiring in April 2020-reg.

The term of office of 55 members of the Rajya Sabha elected from 17 States is due to expire on their retirement in April, 2020 as detailed below:

Sl. No.	State	No. of seats	Date of retirement		
1.	Maharashtra	7			
2.	Odisha	4	02.04.2020		
3.	Tamil Nadu	6			
4.	West Bengal	5			
5.	Andhra Pradesh	4			
6.	Telangana	2			
7.	Assam	3			
8.	Bihar	5			
9.	Chhattisgarh	2			
10.	Gujarat	4	09.04.2020		
11.	Haryana	2			
12.	Himachal Pradesh	1			
13.	Jharkhand	2			
14.	Madhya Pradesh	3	1		
15.	Manipur	1			
16.	Rajasthan	3			
17.	Meghalaya	1	12.04.2020		

2. A statement showing the details of the above mentioned vacancies is given in 'Annexure-A'. The Commission has decided that above mentioned biennial elections to the Council of States shall be held in accordance with the following programme: -

Sl.No.	Events	Dates
1.	Issue of Notifications	06 th March, 2020 (Friday)
2.	Last date of making nominations	13 th March, 2020 (Friday)
3.	Scrutiny of nominations	16 th March, 2020 (Monday)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	18 th March, 2020 (Wednesday)
5.	Date of Poll	26th March, 2020 (Thursday)
6.	Hours of Poll	09:00 am to 04:00 pm
7.	Counting of Votes	26 th March, 2020 (Thursday)
		at 05:00 pm
8.	Date before which election shall be completed	30 th March, 2020 (Monday)

- 3. The Commission has directed that for the purpose of marking preference(s) on the ballot paper only integrated violet colour sketch pen(s) of pre-fixed specification, provided by the Returning Officer, shall be used. No other pen shall, under any circumstances, be used in the above said elections.
- 4. Adequate measures for close monitoring of the election process by appointing observers shall be taken to ensure free and fair election.

PRAMOD KUMAR SHARMA SECRETARY

'Annexure-A'

S.No	Name of State	Name of Member	Date of Retirement
1.		Dalwai, Husain Umar	
2.		Sable, Amar Shankar	
3.		Dhoot, Rajkumar Nandlal	02.04.2020
4.	MAHARASHTRA	Pawar, Sharadchandra Govindrao	
5.		Memon Abdul Majid Haji Ahmed	
6.		Athawale, Ramdas Bandu	
7.		Kakade, Sanjay Dattatraya	
8.		Anubhav Mohanty	
9.		Narendra Kumar Swain	02.04.2020
10.	ODISHA	Sarojini Hembram	
11.		Ranjib Biswal	
12.		Sasikala Pushpa	
13.		K. Selvaraj	
13. 14.		Tiruchi Siya	02.04.2020
14. 15.	TAMIL NADU	S. Muthukaruppan	02.07.2020
16.		**	
		Rangarajan	
17.		Vijila Sathyananth	
18.		Ritabrata Banerjee	02.04.2020
19.		Jogendranath Chowdhury	
20.	WEST BENGAL	Dr. Kanwar Deep Singh	
21.		Manish Gupta	
22.		Ahmad Hassan	
23.		Mohd. Ali Khan	
24.	ANDHRA PRADESH	Tikkavarapu Subbarami Reddy	09.04.2020
25.	AND MATERIAL SH	Thota Seetharama Lakshmi	
26.		K. Keshava Rao	
27.	TELANGANA	K.V.P. Ramachandra Rao	09.04.2020
28.	IELANUANA	Garikapati Mohan Rao	
29.		Bhubaneswar Kalita	
30.	ASSAM	Dr. Sanjay Sinh	09.04.2020
31.		Biswajit Daimary	
32.		Kahkashan Perween	
33.		Ravindra Kishore Sinha	
34.	BIHAR	Ram Nath Thakur	09.04.2020
35.		Haribansh Narayan Singh	
36.		C.P. Thakur	
37.		Ranvijay Pratap Singh Judev	09.04.2020
38.	CHHATTISGARH	Motilal Vora	
39.		Gohel Chunibhai Kanjibhai	
40.	GUJARAT	Mistry Madhusudan Devram	09.04.2020
41.	UUJAKAI	Vadodiya Lalsinh Udesinh	
42.		Tundiya Shambhuprasad Baldevdasji	
43.	TT A TOXY A DY A	Ram Kumar	09.04.2020
44.	HARYANA	Kumari Selja	
45.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	Viplove Thakur	09.04.2020

46.	JHARKHAND	Nathwani Parimal	09.04.2020
47.	JNAKKNAND	Prem Chand Gupta	
48.		Digvijay Singh	09.04.2020
49.	MADHYA PRADESH	Prabhat	
50.		Satyanarayan Jatiya	
51.	MANIPUR	Kshetrimayum Bhabananda Singh	09.04.2020
52.		Narayan Lal Panchariya	09.04.2020
53.	RAJASTHAN	Ram Narian Dudi	
54.		Vijay Goel	
55.	MEGHALAYA	Wansuk Syiem	12.04.2020