



मिरा भाईंदर महानगरपालिका
स्व इंदिरा गांधी भवन, छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराज मार्ग, भाईंदर
(प.), मुख्य मुख्य कार्यालय, तिसरा मजला
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निवडणूक विभाग



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अत्यंत तातडीचे
// निवडणूक प्राधान्य //

दि.१९ /०५ /२०२६

- वाचा : १) मा. भारत निवडणूक आयोग यांचे कडील पत्र क्र.No.३२२/ECI/INST/FUNC/BIEN-LC/२०१६, दि.२६/१२/२०१६.
२) भारत निर्वाचन आयोग यांच्याकडील No.१००/LET/ECI/FUNC/MT-LC-LAC/१९/BIEN/२०२४/२०२६ दि. १८/०५/२०२६ रोजीचे पत्र.
३) भारतीय निवडणूक आयोग यांच्याकडील /क्रमांक ईसीआय/पीएन/०८७/२०२६, दि.१८/०५/२०२६ रोजीची/प्रेस नोट.
४) मा. सहा. निवडणूक अधिकारी, तथा निवासी उप-जिल्हाधिकारी यांच्याकडील क्र.सामान्य/कक्ष-१/मेज-४/ठास्थाप्रानिव/कावि-२६/२०२६ दि.१८/०५/२०२६ रोजीचे पत्र.

// परिपत्रक //

महाराष्ट्र विधान परिषदेच्या १६ स्थानिक प्राधिकारी मतदारसंघातील १६ सदस्यांचा कार्यकाळ संपलेला असल्याने मा.भारतीय निवडणूक आयोगाने संदर्भ क्र.१,२ व ३ अन्वये महाराष्ट्र विधान परिषद ठाणे स्थानिक प्राधिकारी मतदारसंघाची द्विवार्षिक निवडणूक २०२६ चा कार्यक्रम घोषित केला असून, त्या अनुषंगाने ठाणे जिल्ह्यामध्ये दि. १८/०५/२०२६ पासून तात्काळ प्रभावाने आदर्श आचारसंहिता लागू झालेली आहे.

महाराष्ट्र विधान परिषद ठाणे स्थानिक प्राधिकारी मतदारसंघाची द्विवार्षिक निवडणूक २०२६ चा कार्यक्रम घोषित झाल्याने आदर्श आचारसंहितेचे पालन करण्याच्या दृष्टीने उचित कार्यवाहीचे निर्देश मा. सहा. निवडणूक अधिकारी, तथा निवासी उप-जिल्हाधिकारी यांच्या कार्यालयाकडून संदर्भ क्र.४ अन्वये प्राप्त झाले आहेत.

त्या अनुषंगाने सर्व विभाग प्रमुखांना / खातेप्रमुखांना या परिपत्रकाद्वारे सूचित करण्यात येते की, महाराष्ट्र विधान परिषदेची ठाणे स्थानिक प्राधिकारी मतदारसंघाची द्विवार्षिक निवडणूक २०२६ ची प्रक्रिया पूर्ण होईपर्यंत निवडणूकी करीता आदर्श आचारसंहितेचे काटेकोरपणे पालन होईल यादृष्टीने सर्वोतोपरी उपाययोजना करण्याची दक्षता घ्यावी.

(डॉ. सचिन बिगर)

उपायुक्त (मु.) तथा उपनिवडणूक अधिकारी
मिरा भाईंदर महानगरपालिका

सोबत :- सदर आचार संहितेबाबतच्या मा. भारत निवडणूक आयोगाकडील सूचनांची छायांकित प्रत माहिती व आवश्यक कार्यवाहीसाठी जोडली आहे.



जिल्हाधिकारी व जिल्हा निवडणूक अधिकारी कार्यालय, ठाणे

अत्यंत तातडीचे
निवडणूक प्राथम्य

क्र. सामान्य/कक्ष-१/मेज-४/ठास्थाप्रानिव./कवि-२६ /२०२६
दिनांक- १८/०५/२०२६

प्रति,

१. मा. आयुक्त महानगरपालिका (सर्व) जिल्हा ठाणे/ पालघर
२. मा.जिल्हाधिकारी व जिल्हा निवडणूक अधिकारी, पालघर
३. मा. मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी जिल्हा परिषद, ठाणे/पालघर
४. उपविभागीय अधिकारी उप विभाग (सर्व) जिल्हा ठाणे/ पालघर
५. तहसिलदार (सर्व), जिल्हा ठाणे/ पालघर
६. गटविकास अधिकारी, पंचायत समिती (सर्व), जिल्हा ठाणे/ पालघर
७. मुख्याधिकारी नगरपालिका (सर्व)/नगरपंचायत (सर्व), जिल्हा ठाणे/ पालघर

विषय :- महाराष्ट्र विधान परिषदद्वारे ठाणे स्थानिक प्राधिकारी मतदार संघाची द्विवार्षिक निवडणूक -२०२६


संदर्भ:- १.मा. भारत निवडणूक आयोग यांचे कडील पत्र क्र.No.322/ECI/INST/
FUNC/BIEN-LC/2016, DATE-26th Decmber,2016

२.मा. भारत निवडणूक आयोग यांचे कडील पत्र क्र.No.100/LET/ECI/FUNC/
MT-LC-LAC/19/BIEN/2024/2026, DATE-18th May,2026

३.मा. भारत निवडणूक आयोग यांचे कडील पत्र No.ECI/PN/087/2026 DATE-
18th May,2026

उपरोक्त विषयान्वये मा. भारत निवडणूक आयोगाकडील संदर्भिय पत्रान्वये

महाराष्ट्र विधानपरिषद ठाणे स्थानिक प्राधिकारी मतदार संघाची द्विवार्षिक निवडणूक २०२६ निवडणूक कार्यक्रम जाहीर झालेला असून दिनांक- १८/०५/२०२६ पासून संपूर्ण ठाणे / पालघर जिल्हयामध्ये आदर्श आचारसंहिता लागू झालेली आहे. सदर आचार संहितेबाबतच्या मा. भारत निवडणूक आयोगाकडील सूचनांची छायांकित प्रत आपले माहितीसाठी व पुढील आवश्यक कार्यवाहीसाठी सोबत जोडली आहे.


(रुपाली भालकं)

सहाय्यक निवडणूक निर्णय अधिकारी
तथा निवासी उपजिल्हाधिकारी
ठाणे स्थानिक प्राधिकारी मतदारसंघ



भारत निर्वाचन आयोग
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No. 100/LET/ECI/FUNC/MT-LC-LAC/19/BIEN/2024/2026

Dated: 18th May, 2026

To

1. The Cabinet Secretary,
Government of India,
Rashtrapati Bhawan,
New Delhi- 110004.
2. The Chief Secretary to the Government of
Maharashtra, Mumbai.
3. The Chief Electoral Officer,
Maharashtra, Mumbai.

Subject: Bye election to the Maharashtra Legislative Council from Nagpur Local Authorities'
Constituency - Applicability of Model Code of Conduct - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the Commission has announced bye-election to the Maharashtra Legislative Council from Nagpur Local Authorities' Constituency *vide* Press Note No. ECI/PN/088/2026, dated 18th May, 2026.

2. With this announcement, the provisions of the Model Code of Conduct contained in Commission's instruction No. 322/ECI/INST/FUNC/BIEN-LC/2016, dated 26th December, 2016, for the guidance of the Political Parties and Candidates have come into force with immediate effect in the above-mentioned poll bound Constituency.

3. A copy of instruction No. 322/ECI/INST/FUNC/BIEN-LC/2016, dated 26th December, 2016 is enclosed. This may be brought to the notice of all concerned Departments of State/Central Government.

4. The receipt of this letter may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully

(SUMAN KUMAR DAS)
SECRETARY



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Dated: 18th May, 2026

PRESS NOTE

Sub: Biennial election to the Maharashtra Legislative Council from 16 Local Authorities' Constituencies-reg.

The term of office of 16 members of Maharashtra Legislative Council from 16 Local Authorities' Constituencies has expired as per details below: -

S. No.	Name of Local Authorities' Constituency	Name of Member	Date of Retirement
1.	Solapur	Prashant Prabhakar Paricharak	01.01.2022
2.	Ahmednagar	Arunkaka Balbhimrao Jagtap	01.01.2022
3.	Thane	Phatak Ravindra Sadanand	08.06.2022
4.	Jalgaon	Chandubhai V. Patel	05.12.2022
5.	Sangli cum Satara	Kadam Mohanrao Shripati	05.12.2022
6.	Nanded	Amarnath Anantrao Rajurkar	05.12.2022
7.	Yavatmal	Dushyant Satish Chaturvedi	05.12.2022
8.	Pune	Anil Shivajirao Bhosale	05.12.2022
9.	Bhandara cum Gondia	Dr. Parinay Ramesh Fuke	05.12.2022
10.	Raigad-cum-Ratnagiri-cum-Sindhudurg	Aniket Sunil Tatkare	31.05.2024
11.	Nashik	Narendra Bhikaji Darade	21.06.2024
12.	Wardha-cum-Chandrapur-cum-Gadchiroli	Ramdas Bhagwanji Ambatkar	21.06.2024
13.	Amravati	Pravin Ramchandra Pote	21.06.2024
14.	Osmanabad-cum-Latur-cum-Beed	Dhas Suresh Ramchandra	21.06.2024
15.	Parbhani-cum-Hingoli	Viplove Gopikishan Bajoria	21.06.2024
16.	Aurangabad-cum-Jalna	Ambadas Eknathrao Danve	29.08.2025

2. As per the guideline laid down by the Commission, at least 75% local bodies in a Local Authorities' Constituency should be functioning and at least 75% electors therein should be in position, for an election to be conducted from that Constituency.

3. Biennial elections to fill up the above-mentioned 16 seats could not be conducted at the time due to non-fulfillment of the aforesaid criteria.

4. Now, CEO Maharashtra has informed that these criteria have been fulfilled in respect of all the said Constituencies.

5. Therefore, the Commission has decided to conduct biennial election to the Maharashtra Legislative Council from above-mentioned 16 Local Authorities' Constituencies in accordance with the following programme:-

Events		Days & dates
1.	Issue of Notification	25 th May, 2026 (Monday)
2.	Last date of making nominations	01 st June, 2026 (Monday)
3.	Scrutiny of nominations	02 nd June, 2026 (Tuesday)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	04 th June, 2026 (Thursday)
5.	Date of poll	18 th June, 2026 (Thursday)
6.	Hours of poll	08:00 am- 04:00 pm
7.	Counting of Votes	22 nd June, 2026 (Monday)
8.	Date before which election shall be completed	25 th June, 2026 (Thursday)

6. The Model Code of Conduct concerning the said election will come into force with immediate effect in the concerned Constituencies. Please see the details in Commission's website under the link: <https://old.eci.gov.in/files/file/4070-biennial-bye-elections-to-the-legislative-councils-from-council-constituencies-by-graduates%20%99-and-teachers%20%99-and-local-authorities%20%99-constituencies-%E2%80%93-mcc-instructions-%E2%80%93-regarding/>



(RAJESH KUMAR SINGH)
UNDER SECRETARY



No. 322/ECI/INST/FUNC/BIEN-LC /2016

Dated: 26th December, 2016

To

- The Chief Electoral Officers
1. Maharashtra, Mumbai,
 2. Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow,
 3. Bihar, Patna,
 4. Karnataka, Bangalore,
 5. Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
 6. Telangana, Hyderabad.

Subject: Biennial/Bye-Elections to the Legislative Councils from Council Constituencies - by Graduates' and Teachers' and Local Authorities' Constituencies- MCC-instructions - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that some experience during conduct of elections to Legislative Councils shows that there is lack of clarity with regard to applicability of provisions of Model Code of Conduct in such elections.

2 The Commission constituted a Working Group to examine the matter. The Commission, having considered the report of the Working Group and the matter in its entirety, has directed that all provisions of Model Code of Conduct for the political parties and candidates' shall apply *mutatis mutandis* in Biennial including Bye Elections to the State Legislative Councils from Graduates' & Teachers' Constituencies as well as Local Authorities' Constituencies. Consequently, various instructions issued by the Commission from time to time in clarification of the MCC provisions would also apply for such elections.

3. I am further to say that the following instructions of the Commission which have been issued from time to time to ensure level playing field and also to ensure that a party in power doesn't misuse its position for electoral gains, shall also be applicable in connection with Biennial/Bye Elections to the State Legislative Councils from Graduates' & Teachers' Constituencies as well as Local Authorities' Constituencies (from the date of announcement of election till the date of completion of election).

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- I. Ministers, whether Central or State (including Chief Minister) may make official visit to any district(s) in which any Biennial/Bye-election from a Council Constituency is being held subject to the following conditions: -
 - a. They shall not do any inauguration/laying of foundation stones of any educational institution, which are constituents of Graduates' and Teachers' Constituencies.
 - b. Official visit shall not be combined with the election related work/tours.
 - c. There shall be no announcement of new policy programme/ policy likely to influence the graduates, the teachers and members of Local Authorities who form the electorate of the Constituencies going to poll.
- II. No official of any rank of the district(s) dealing with election related work where the biennial/bye-elections are being held shall be called to attend any meeting by any Minister at any place, even in another district, where election is not being held. Any official who meets the Minister on his private visit to the constituency where elections are being held shall be deemed to be guilty of misconduct under the relevant service rules; and if he happens to be an officer mentioned in Section 129 (1) of the Representation of People Act, 1951, he shall also be additionally considered to have violated the statutory provisions of that section and liable to penal action provided there under.
- III. No member of any Local Authority which forms part of the electorate of a Local Authorities' Constituency shall be called for any meeting/video conference by any Minister (in his capacity as Minister). Routine meetings of the Local Bodies, when essential, may be held with the prior permission of the District Election Officer of the District concerned.
- IV. No pilot car(s) or other car(s) with beacon lights of any colour or car(s) affixed with sirens of any kind making his presence conspicuous shall be used by any Minister during his private visit to the constituency, even if the State administration has granted him a security cover requiring presence of armed guards accompanying him on tour.
- V. No policy announcement or programme, which influences the electorate either directly or indirectly, shall be initiated in the Government Departments till the completion of elections.

- VI. On need basis and in consultation with CEO of the state/ECI Observer, the DEO/RO should put in place for every tehsil a special video team to videograph political meeting at public places and to record visits of the Ministers and other important political functionaries. The ECI observer shall see the video recording in the evening of the same day so that he can report any violation to the Commission in prescribed format.
- VII. In case of elections from Local Authorities' Constituencies, the restrictions on "Official Tours" by Central & State Ministers will also be applicable to the use of any "Official Cars" by "Office Bearers" of Local Authorities, like, Mayors of Municipal Corporations, Presidents of Municipal Councils & Zilla Parishads. The use of official cars by them shall only be allowed for travel to & from Office to Residence.
- VIII. Public places such as maidans etc., for holding election meetings, and use of helipads for air-flights in connection with elections shall not be monopolized by the party in power. Other parties and candidates shall also be allowed to use them on first-cum-first served basis.
- IX. No fresh Sanction of work using the IT Platform to be used depending upon the MP/MLA/MLC schemes for work that would amount to influencing the electorate.
- X. There shall be a total ban on the transfer of Returning Officers and Assistant Returning Officers appointed for Biennial elections/bye-elections to State Legislative Councils after the announcement of elections and this ban will be in force till the completion of elections. The transfer orders in respect of the above officers issued prior to the date of announcement but not implemented should not be given effect to without obtaining the specific permission of the Commission. In those cases, where transfer of an officer is necessary on account of administrative exigencies, the State Govt. may with full justification approach the Commission for prior clearance.
- XI. In order to conduct free and fair elections to keep a check on adverse role of money power and to check the movement of black money during biennial elections/bye-elections to Legislative Council, the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued on 29.05.2015, excepting deployment of Static Surveillance Teams, should be made applicable.

- XII. State and District Media Certification and Monitoring Committee (MCMC) shall be appointed, as prescribed in the Compendium of Instructions on Election Expenditure Monitoring, immediately on announcement of biennial/ bye elections for pre-certification of election advertisements as in case of TV Channels / Cable Network, Radio including private FM Channels, Cinema Halls Audio-Visual displays in public place and social media and also monitoring the general conduct of political functionaries during campaign.
- XIII. The bulk SMSs/Voice messages on phone in election campaigning shall also be in the purview of pre-certification of election advertisements as in case of TV Channels / Cable Network, Radio including private FM Channels, Cinema Halls, Audio-Visual displays in public place and social media. The legal provisions, as applicable to other modes of electronic media shall also be applicable to bulk SMSs/ Voice messages.
- XIV. Under Section 29 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 read with Rule 69 of the Conduct of the Election Rules, 1961, a place of poll is fixed for conducting poll in respect of election to the Council of States and the State Legislative Councils by MLAs. As per Section 135C, "dry day" is to be declared in Polling Areas and polling area is defined in Section 25 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, which is applicable to elections from Constituencies i.e. for elections to Lok Sabha, Legislative Assemblies and elections to Legislative Councils from Graduates', Teachers' and Local Authorities' Constituencies.
- XV. The provision regarding prevention of misuse of vehicles and regulation of convoys during campaign period as in the case of elections to House of People / Legislative Assemblies shall be made applicable for Council elections also.
- XVI. Restriction on the presence of political functionaries in a constituency after the campaign period is over i.e., 48 hours before the closure of the poll as in the case of elections to House of People / Legislative Assemblies shall be made applicable for Council elections from Council Constituencies also.

4. In the context of certain queries that have been raised in this connection, it is clarified that: -

- (a) The practice of keeping the electors in hotels/resorts and other similar places during election period would amount to bribing of electors. It is clarified that

such practice shall be construed as violation of sub Para (4) of Para I-General Conduct of MCC apart from being violation of Section 171 B of IPC.

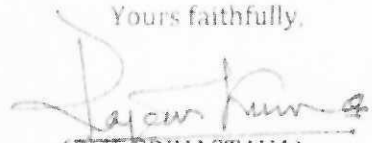
(b) The phrase 'the rest houses/dak bungalows or other Government accommodation' in paragraph (VII- (iii)) of MCC would also include *Guest Houses* of all institutions that are getting Government assistance in any form of grant-in-aid etc.

(c) With regard to paragraph (VII-(v) & (vi)) of MCC, it is clarified that these would be made applicable only with regard to the Graduates'/Teachers'/Local Authorities' Constituencies where the election is being held.

Kindly inform all concerned including all registered and recognized parties based in your state.

Please ensure compliance.

Yours faithfully,



(R. K. SRIVASTAVA)

SR. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY