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**PRESS NOTE**

**Subject: Bye Elections to the Council of States from various States -reg.**

There are six casual vacancies in the Council of States from various States as per details below: -

State	Name of Member	Cause of vacancy	Date of vacancy	Term Up to
West Bengal	Sh. Manas Ranjan Bhunia	Resignation	06.05.2021	18.08.2023
Assam	Sh. Biswajit Daimary	Resignation	10.05.2021	09.04.2026
Tamil Nadu	Thiru. K.P. Munusamy	Resignation	07.05.2021	02.04.2026
Tamil Nadu	Thiru. R. Vaithilingam	Resignation	07.05.2021	29.06.2022
Maharashtra	Sh. Rajeev Shankarrao Satav	Death	16.05.2021	02.04.2026
Madhya Pradesh	Sh. Thaawarchand Gehlot	Resignation	07.07.2021	02.04.2024

2. The Commission has decided to hold six bye-elections to the Council of States from above mentioned States to fill up the above said vacancies in accordance with the following schedule: -

S. No	Events	Dates
1.	Issue of Notifications	15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday)
2.	Last date of making nominations	22 <sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday)
3.	Scrutiny of nominations	23 <sup>rd</sup> September, 2021 (Thursday)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	27 <sup>th</sup> September, 2021 (Monday)
5.	Date of Poll	04 <sup>th</sup> October, 2021 (Monday)
6.	Hours of Poll	09:00am - 04:00pm
7.	Counting of Votes	04 <sup>th</sup> October, 2021 (Monday) at 05:00pm
8.	Date before which election shall be completed	06 <sup>th</sup> October, 2021 (Wednesday)

3. Broad Guidelines of Covid-19 as already issued by ECI as well as the recent guidelines issued by ECI as contained in para 13 of Press Note dated 04.09.2021 available at link <https://eci.gov.in/files/file/13681-schedule-to-fill-casual-vacancy-and-adjourned-poll-in-the-assembly-constituencies-regarding/> to be followed, wherever applicable, during entire election process for all persons.

4. The Chief Secretaries of States concerned are being directed to depute a senior officer from the State to ensure that the extant instructions regarding COVID-19 containment measures are complied with while making arrangements for conducting the election.



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