PRESS RELEASE

For the conduct of free and fair bye-election to the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly from 139.Srirangam Assembly Constituency to be held on 13.02.2015, the Election Commission has made the following arrangements:-

- After the Notification of the Commission, 3 Flying Squads, 3 Static Surveillance Teams and 3 Check Posts were formed at the said Constituency.
- Subsequently, to further enforce the Model Code, 12 additional Flying Squads have been pressed into service: As on 09.02.2015, 192 FIRs have been booked and defacement removed from 837 locations.
- Thereafter, based on the instructions of the Special Observer, 25 Flying Squads have been deployed in the field with effect from 09.02.2015.
- During the inspection by various Squads, 17,250 Number of vehicles have been checked and totally a sum of Rs.48,76,500/- has been seized so far.
- In the District Control Room at Tiruchirappalli through the toll free number '1800 425 7030', 134 complaints have been received and addressed.
- In addition, a 24/7 control room has been set up at the CEO's office for registering complaints from the Public through the toll free number "1950" in connection with the said bye-election. So far, 21 complaints have been received and communicated to the District Election Officer, Tiruchirappalli for immediate appropriate action.
- Further, an 'Android App' titled TN Citizen Poll Watch has been created for receiving complaints relating to the said bye-election and has been receiving encouraging response.

CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER TAMIL NADU