PRESS RELEASE

The Election Commission of India has announced the poll schedule for the Bye-election to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly from 83.Yercaud (ST) Assembly Constituency as follows:-

| Filing of nominations and issue of Notification | 9.11.2013 (Saturday) |
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| Last date for making nominations | 16.11.2013 (Saturday) |
| Scrutiny of Nominations | 18.11.2013 (Monday) |
| Last date for withdrawal of candidature | 20.11.2013 (Wednesday) |
| Date of poll | 4.12.2013 (Wednesday) |
| Counting of votes | 8.12.2013 (Sunday) |
| Date before which election process shall be completed | 11.12.2013 (Wednesday) |

The Model Code of Conduct has come into force with effect from the date of announcement of the poll schedule, i.e. 4.10.2013 and the effective monitoring of election expenditure has also came into force today itself. Both are applicable in the entire district of Salem in which the 83.Yercaud (ST) Assembly Constituency going for bye-election is included. However, certain aspects of Model Code of Conduct would be applicable only to the 83.Yercaud (ST) Assembly Constituency as follows:-

1. All instructions of the Commission issued regulating the implementation of the schemes of MNREGA, extending relief and starting works in case of Natural Calamities, Drought, Flood, Drinking Water, Digging of Bore-wells, Fodder, Agricultural inputs & input subsidies to farmers, New Developmental Work (whether beneficiary or work oriented) including work under

MPLAD, MLA and MLC LAD Scheme, Announcement and commencement of New Projects, Programme, Concessions, Financial Grants, Defacement of Property, Use of Govt. Property for campaign purpose, etc. shall now be <u>applicable only in</u> <u>respect of the areas falling the Assembly Constituency(s) /</u> <u>Parliamentary Constituency going for bye-election and NOT</u> <u>TO the entire district (s) in which such constituency is</u> <u>situated.</u>

2. However, all other existing instructions of the Commission on Model Code of Conduct on matters like Tours of Ministers, Vehicles, Advertisements, use of Govt. Guest Houses, and all prevailing Commission's instructions other than those mentioned in Para (1), transfers of officers etc. shall continue to remain applicable to the entire district(s) in which the constituency having the bye-election is situated.

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