

## राज्य निर्वाचन आयोग हिमाचल प्रदेश STATE ELECTION COMMISSION HIMACHAL PRADESH

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Dated, the

1st April, 2023

## **NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers vested in it under Article 243K of Constitution of India, Section 131 and 160 of the Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj Act, 1994 and Rule 32 of Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj (Election) Rules, 1994, the State Election Commission Himachal Pradesh hereby notifies the election programme for the conduct of by-elections to fill up the casual vacancies of Panchayati Raj Institutions of the State that have been reported to the Commission and for which the Commission has also carried out special revision of electoral rolls. Programme is as under:-

1	Date of Notification	01.04.2023
2	The nomination papers shall	On 13 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023 (between 11:00 a.m.
	be presented	to 3:00 P.M.). Nomination papers shall be filed at the
		place and before the officers appointed by the
		Returning Officer
3	The nomination papers shall be scrutinised	On 19.04.2023 (from 10:00 a.m. onwards).
4	A candidate may withdraw	On 21.04.2023 (between 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.).
-	his candidature	0.1210.1220 (0.000)
5	The list of contesting	On 21.04.2023 immediately after the time of
	candidates shall be prepared	withdrawal is over. The list of contesting candidates
	and affixed	will show the name of symbols allotted to them.
6	The list of polling stations	The list of polling stations shall be published and
	shall be pasted	pasted on or before 13.04.2023
7	The Poll, if necessary shall be	On <b>02.05.2023</b> (between 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.)
	held	
	The counting, in the event of	Counting of votes for the posts of Members, Up-
8	poll shall be done	Pradhan and Pradhan of Gram Panchayat shall be
		undertaken on the date of poll immediately after the
		close of poll at Gram Panchayat Headquarters.
		Counting of votes for Members Panchayat Samiti and
		Member Zila Parishad shall be taken up on 04.05.2023
		at respective Development Block Headquarters.
		Counting shall start at 9:00 a.m. and would continue
		(for a constituency) until it is completed.
9	The result of election shall be	The result of elections of Members, UP-Pradhan and
	declared	Pradhan of Gram Panchayat shall be declared
		immediately after the counting is over. The result of
		elections to Panchayat Samiti Members shall be
		declared at the Block Headquarters immediately after
		the counting process is over.
		The result of election to Zila Parishad shall be declared

in accordance with the provisions contained in rule
75(vi) of the Himachal Pradesh Panchayati Raj
(Election) Rules, 1994.

The electoral rolls updated with 01.01.2023 as qualifying date through special revision shall be used for the conduct of these elections. However, any eligible elector can apply for inclusion of name under Rule 24(3) of the ibid Rules to the District Election Officers (Panchayats) after paying fee of rupees two in cash against receipt, or for correction under Rule 23 of the Rules ibid in the electoral roll not later than nine days before last date fixed for filing of nomination papers.

The process of elections shall be completed by 06.05.2023.

By Order

(Anil Kumar Khachi) State Election Commissioner Himachal Pradesh

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Copy forwarded to All the District Election Officers (Panchayat)- cum-Deputy Commissioners/ (Except Lahaul-Spiti) Himachal Pradesh for information and necessary action. They shall issue Notice of Elections Programme in accordance with the provisions contained in Rule 33 of the Rules ibid. A copy of notice in Form-17 as required under Rules ibid may be sent to this office without fail for information. Further, the instructions/ guidelines/ handbooks issued by the Commission during the General Elections 2021 shall be adhered to strictly wherever applicable.

(Surjeet Singh Rathore)
Secretary
State Election Commission
Himachal Pradesh.

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- 1. The Secretary to H/E the Governor of Himachal Pradesh.
- 2. The Principal Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 3. The Chief Secretary, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 4. The Secretary, Vidhan Sabha HImachal Pradesh, Shimla-4.
- 5. All the Special/Sr. Private Secretaries to the Cabinet Ministers to the Govt. of H.P.
- 6. All the Additional Chief Secretaries to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
- 7. Chief Electoral Officer-cum-Secretary- (Election) Shimla-2
- 8. All the Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.

- 9. The Principal Secretary (GAD) to the Govt. of H.P. with the request that the day of poll in Panchayat Concerned be declared a paid holiday. It should also be declared a Public Holiday under the Negotiable Instrument Act in order to enable the electors to exercise their right to franchise.
- 10. The Secretary (Panchayati Raj) to the Government of HP.
- 11. The Director General of Police, Himachal Pradesh.
- 12. The Director-cum- Special Secretary, (Panchayati Raj), Government of Himachal Pradesh.
- 13. All the Superintendent of Police, (Except Lahaul-Spiti) Himachal Pradesh.
- 14. The Director, Information and Public Relation Department Shimla with the request that wide publicity may please be ensured to the election programme as issued above.
- 15. Director AIR/ Doordarshan, Shimla-4 with the request that wide publicity may please be ensured to the election programme.
- 16. All the Assistant District Election Officers-cum-District Panchayat Officers, (Except Lahaul-Spiti) Himachal Pradesh for information and necessary action.
- 17. All the Block Development Officers (Except Lahaul-Spiti) Himachal Pradesh.
- 18. E Gazette.
- 19. Guard File.

(Surject Singh Rathore)

Secretary

State Election Commission

Himachal Pradesh