

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110001

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PRESS NOTE

Subject : Schedule for bye-election to fill the casual vacancy in the Legislative Assembly of Karnataka from 138 – Madhugiri Assembly Constituency.

The Commission has decided to hold bye-election to fill up the vacancy in the Legislative Assembly of Karnataka from 138 – Madhugiri A.C. as per following Programme:-

Event	Date
1. Issue of Notification	03.12.08 (Wednesday)
2. Last date of making Nominations	10.12.08 (Wednesday)
3. Scrutiny of Nominations	11.12.08 (Thursday)
4. Last date for withdrawal of Candidature	13.12.08 (Saturday)
5. Date of Poll	27.12.08 (Saturday)
6. Counting of Votes	30.12.08 (Tuesday)
7. Date of completion	01.01.09 (Thursday)

ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral rolls in respect of the above AC have been revised with reference to 01.01.08 as the qualifying date and are based on the new delimitation order.

ELECTORNIC VOTING MACHINES (EVMs)

The Commission has decided to use EVMs in this bye-election in all the polling stations. Adequate numbers of EVMs have been made available and all steps taken to ensure that the poll is conducted smoothly with the help of these machines.

IDENTIFICATION OF VOTERS

In consonance with the past practice, the Commission has decided that the voter's identification shall be mandatory in the aforementioned bye-election at the time of poll. In order to ensure that no voter is deprived of his/her franchise, if his/her name figures in the Electoral Rolls, separate instructions will be issued to allow additional documents for identification of voters at the time of poll in this bye-election.

MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

The Model Code of Conduct shall come into force with immediate effect i.e. 27th November 2008 in the district (s) in which the whole or any part of the Assembly Constituency going for bye-election are included. The Model Code of Conduct shall be applicable to all candidates, political parties and the State Government. The Model Code of Conduct shall also be applicable to the Union Government as far as this State is concerned.

**(S.K. RUDOLA)
SECRETARY**