

# ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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No. ECI/PN/30/2012

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## PRESS NOTE

**Subject: Biennial Election to the Council of States from the State of Jharkhand.**

The term of office of two members of the Council of States elected from the State of Jharkhand was to expire on 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2012 due to the retirement of Sh. Surendrajeet Singh Ahluwalia and Ms. Mabel Rebello. On the recommendation of the Commission, (Please see Commission's Proceedings dated 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012, forwarded to the President of India, hosted on Commission's Website under the head "Current issues:-Rescinding the Notification of Biennial elections to Rajya Sabha from the State of Jharkhand") the Notification to hold the Biennial election to the Council of States from Jharkhand on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2012 was rescinded by the President of India vide notification dated 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2012.

The Election Commission has now decided to hold the said Biennial Election to the Council of States from Jharkhand anew for the purpose of filling the said vacancies. The aforesaid Biennial Election will be held in accordance with the following programme :-

1. Issue of Notification : 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 (Monday)
2. Last date for making nominations : 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2012 (Monday)
3. Scrutiny of nominations : 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 (Tuesday)
4. Last date for withdrawal of candidatures : 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 (Thursday)
5. Date of poll : **3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2012 (Thursday)**
6. Hours of poll : 9.00 A.M. to 4.00 P.M
7. Counting of Votes : **3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2012 (Thursday) at 5.00 PM**
8. Date before which election shall be completed : 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2012 (Saturday)

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