

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

3rd Floor, Buddha Bhavan, M.G. Road, Secunderabad-500003, Andhra Pradesh.

NOTIFICATION

No.757/SEC-B2/2013

Date:22.07.2013

Whereas, the State Election Commission issued a Notification in Ref. No. 757/SEC-B2/2013, dated 03.07.2013 for conduct of ordinary elections to Gram Panchayats in the State and also notified election programme in connection therewith;

And whereas, the Poll is conducted in 3 Phases Revenue Division-wise as per the details given in the Annexure-II of the Notification referred to above on 23.07.2013, 27.07.2013 and 31.07.2013;

And whereas, incessant rains caused floods in major rivers and streams and marooned several villages damaging roads and communication network in some Districts and the State Election Commission decided to reschedule the date of Poll and subsequent election process in the flood affected Gram Panchayats based on the report sent by the Collectors and District Election Authorities of the affected Districts;

And whereas, the Collector and District Election Authority, East Godavari sent report in Ref. No. 509/2013-A2, dated 21.07.2013 to the Commission stating that Devipatnam Gram Panchayat in Devipatnam Mandal in Rampachodavaram Revenue Division has become inaccessible due to heavy rains and floods and requested to postpone the poll and subsequent election process to Devipatnam Gram Panchayat from the 1st Phase to 3rd Phase;

And whereas, Rule 7 of the A.P. Panchayat Raj (Conduct of Elections) Rules, 2006 empowers the State Election Commission to alter the election programme of any Panchayat or Panchayats either generally or in respect of specified Panchayats for valid reasons, such as natural calamities, floods, etc., and to renotify election programme as deemed fit in the circumstances of the case and the Returning Officer shall give effect to the same;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Article 243K of the Constitution of India, Section 200 of the A.P. Panchayat Raj Act, 1994 and Rule 7 of the A.P. Panchayat Raj (Conduct of Elections) Rules, 2006, the State Election Commission, hereby, alters election programme already notified in the Notification No.757/SEC-B2/2013, dated 03.07.2013 so far as it relates to Devipatnam Gram Panchayat in Devipatnam Mandal of Rampachodavaram Revenue Division in East Godavari District and renotifies the altered election programme from the stage of conduct of Poll synchronizing it with the 3rd Phase of Poll as shown below:

1.	Dates of Poll:	31.07.2013 (From 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM)
2.	Date of Counting	31.07.2013 (From 2:00 PM onwards)
3.	Declaration of Results	Soon after the completion of counting of votes
4.	(a) Date of conduct of election of Upa-Sarpanch under Sec. 14(10) of A.P. Panchayat Raj, 1994. (b) If for any reason, the election of Upa-Sarpanch is not held on the date aforesaid, it shall be held on the next day, whether or not it is a holiday observed by the Gram Panchayat.	On the same date on which results are declared.

SD/- P. RAMAKANTH REDDY
STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER

To
The Collector & District Election Authority, East Godavari district.
The Superintendent of Police, East Godavari.
The District Panchayat Officer, East Godavari.
Copy to: The Returning Officer concerned.

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