



Continuous Updation of
Electoral Rolls, 2017

PRESS NOTE

(8th June, 2017)

Special Drive on Enrolment of left Out Electors with a special focus on potential young electors of 18-19 age group (Extendable up to 21 years):

In tune with the theme of **No voters to be left behind**, the Election Commission has decided to launch a Special Drive to maximize enrolment of left out electors, in particular the potential young electors with reference to 01.01.2017 as qualifying date. **The Special Drive is scheduled to be launched on 12th June, 2017 and it will be completed on 30th June, 2017.**

Activities of the Special Drive:

- **Submission and receiving of Forms** from applicants giving priority to left out eligible voters of 18-19 age group (Extendable up to 21 years).
- **Door to Door visit of BLOs:** BLOs will continue visiting door to door of households to collect Form 6 from the applicants, particularly in 18-19 age group (Extendable up to 21 years).
- **State and District Call Centres:** The toll free numbers at state and district call centres shall remain operational for facilitating citizens.
- **Special Campaign Dates:** Special Campaigns shall be organized on two dates i.e. **18th June and 24th June, 2017**. On these dates, camps will be held at each polling station where Booth Level Officers will sit with adequate number of Forms 6 and will receive filled in Forms from the applicants. The electoral rolls shall also be read out publically by the BLOs on those days in presence of the BLAs.

Interactive School Engagement Programme:

In terms of the instructions of the Election Commission, DEOs will organize **Interactive School Engagement Programme** from **15th June to 30th June, 2017** in the schools in districts. The election machinery including the DEO, SDOs, EROs and BDOs will reach out to the students, of the age group of 15-17 years, studying in educational institutions of the districts and interact with students, our prospective electors. During the visit, the students will be given badges having written over it, “Proud to be a Voter/Ready to Vote” along with a brochure, “How to get Registered and Vote”.

Special mobilization in Educational Institutions:

Alongside the Interactive School Engagement Programme, the District Election Officers will undertake special enrolment drives in educational institutions.

The EROs/AEROs will visit the educational institutions. They will coordinate with heads of the Educational Institutions and identify students who are eligible yet not enrolled in electoral rolls. The EROs/AEROs will arrange to distribute Form 6 to them. On a different date, the EROs/AEROs will visit the educational institutions and collect the filled in form 6 with relevant documents from the students. The forms will be disposed following due procedure of law.

- **Website of Chief Electoral Officer, West Bengal (<http://www.ceowestbengal.nic.in>)**
- **Toll free Helpline Number- 1950.**

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