



भारत निर्वाचन आयोग  
Election Commission of India

निर्वाचन सदन  
NIRVACHAN SADAN  
अशोक रोड, नई दिल्ली-110001  
ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI-110001

No. ECI/PN/37/2023

Dated: 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2023

**PRESS NOTE**

**Subject: Bye Election to the Council of States from West Bengal-reg.**

There is a casual vacancy in the Council of States from West Bengal as per following details: -

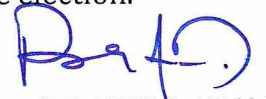
State	Name of Members	Reason	Date of vacancy	Term Up to
West Bengal	Shri Luizinho Joaquim Faleiro	Resignation	11.04.2023	02.04.2026

2. The Commission has decided to hold a bye-election to the Council of States from West Bengal to fill up the above-mentioned vacancy in accordance with the following schedule:

Sl. No	Events	Dates
1.	Issue of Notifications	06 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 (Thursday)
2.	Last date of making nominations	13 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 (Thursday)
3.	Scrutiny of nominations	14 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 (Friday)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	17 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 (Monday)
5.	Date of Poll	<b>24<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 (Monday)</b>
6.	Hours of Poll	09:00 am- 04:00 pm
7.	Counting of Votes	24 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 (Monday) at 05:00 pm
8.	Date before which election shall be completed	26 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 (Wednesday)

3. Broad Guidelines of Covid-19 issued by ECI as contained in para 32 of Press Note, dated 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2023, available at link <https://eci.gov.in/files/file/14863-general-election-to-legislative-assembly-of-karnataka-2023/> to be followed, wherever applicable, during entire election process by all persons.

4. The Chief Secretary, West Bengal is being directed to depute a senior officer from the State to ensure that the extant instructions regarding COVID-19 containment measures are complied with while making arrangements for conducting the said bye election.

  
(PRAFULL AWASTHI)  
UNDER SECRETARY