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# GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

# **Election (General) Department**

# **NOTIFICATION**

No. EL3/99/2021/Elec.(1).

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 24th May, 2022.

The Election Commission of India's Notification No. 576/EXIT/2022/SDR/Vol. II dated 23rd May, 2022, is hereby published.

By order,

SANJAY M. KAUL, Chief Electoral Officer and Secretary to Government.

### **ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA**

Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi-110 001

No. 576/EXIT/2022/SDR/Vol. II.

Dated: 23rd May, 2022.

### **NOTIFICATION**

WHEREAS, the schedule for the bye elections to the **06-Brajarajnagar Assembly** Constituency of Odisha, 83-Thrikkakara Assembly Constituency of Kerala and 55-Champawat Assembly Constituency of Uttarakhand, announced vide the Election Commission's Press Note No. ECI/PN/38/2022 dated 2nd May, 2022.

AND WHEREAS, Section 126A of The Representation of the People Act, 1951 (in short R.P. Act, 1951) specifies that "(1) No person shall conduct any exit poll and publish or publicise by means of the print or electronic media or disseminate in any other manner, whatsoever, the result of any exit poll during such period, as may be notified by the Election Commission in this regard.

- (2) For the purposes of sub-section (1), the Election Commission shall, by a general order, notify the date and time having due regard to the following, namely:—
- (a) in case of a general election, the period may commence from the beginning of the hours fixed for poll on the first day of poll and continue till half an hour after closing of the poll in all the States and Union territories;

Provided that in case of a number of bye-elections held together on different days, the period may commence from the beginning of the hours fixed for poll on the first day of poll and continue till half an hour after closing of the last poll.

(3) Any person who contravenes the provisions of this section shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years or with fine or with both."

Now, Therefore, in exercise of the powers under sub-Section (1) of Section 126A of the R.P. Act, 1951, the Election Commission, having regard to the provisions of Sub-Section (2)(b) of the said Section, hereby notifies the period between **7.00 A.M.** and **6.30 P.M.** on **31-05-2022** (**Tuesday**), as the period during which conducting any exit poll and publishing or publicizing by means of the print or electronic media or dissemination in any other manner whatsoever, the result of any exit poll in connection with the aforesaid bye-elections, shall be prohibited.

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It is further clarified that under Section 126 (1) (b) of the R.P. Act, 1951, displaying any election matter including results of any opinion poll or any other poll survey, in any electronic media, would be prohibited during the period of 48 hours ending with the hours fixed for conclusion of poll for the aforesaid bye-elections.

By order,

(Sd.) S. B. JOSHI, PR. Secretary.