

ELECTION URGENT

ULB Election/ Urgent

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From

Sri R.N.Sahu, IAS
Secretary

To

All District Magistrates

Sub: General Election to Urban Local Bodies- Simultaneous election to offices of Chairperson/ Mayor and Councillor/ Corporator

Madam/ Sir,

As you are aware, amendments have been made in the Odisha Municipal Act, 1950 and Odisha Municipal Corporation Act, 2003 and the rules made thereunder to provide for direct election to the office of Chairperson/ Mayor. Further, Rule 45 of OM Rules 1994 and Rule 44 of OMC Rules, 2003 provides that an elector will first cast his/ her vote for the office of Chairperson/ Mayor and then proceed to cast his/her vote for the office of Councillor/ Corporator.

2. While making arrangements at the booth, the voting compartments should be so arranged that the elector casts his/ her vote first for the office of Chairperson/ Mayor and then for the Councillor/ Corporator. Labels indicating "Chairperson/ Mayor" and "Councillor/ Corporator" shall be fixed on the voting compartments to facilitate the electors. These labels will be supplied by the Commission.

3. Each Presiding Officer will have to carry two BUs and two CUs. In order to clearly identify which set of EVMs belong to Councillor/ Corporator election and which to Chairperson/ Mayor election, distinct Identification stickers shall be pasted on the CUs and BUs. Apart from these Identification Stickers, there shall be separate set of Address Tags.

4. Self adhesive stickers in **yellow colour** with the words "Chairperson/ Mayor" should be affixed on BU and CU meant for Chairperson/ Mayor. Each sticker for the Control Unit will be 3 cm x 6 cm and pasted on the top of the cover of the Battery and

Cand. Set Section. Thin strips of size 1 cm x 6 cm should be pasted on the outer thin frame of each BU below NOTA.

5. Similarly, self adhesive stickers in **pink colour** with the words "Councillor/ Corporator" should be pasted on BU and CU meant for Councillor/ Corporator. Each sticker for the Control Unit will be 3 cm x 6 cm and pasted on the top of the cover of the Battery and Cand. Set Section. Thin strips of size 1 cm x 6 cm should be pasted on the outer thin frame of each BU below NOTA.

6. Self adhesive stickers should also be pasted on the respective carrying cases of the BU and CU.

7. The self adhesive stickers may be prepared locally and pasted during Commissioning of EVMs.

The above instructions should be strictly adhered to during Commissioning of EVMs.

Yours faithfully,

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Secretary

Memo. No. 3365 / SEC., dated 19/02/2022

Copy forwarded to All Election Officers for information and necessary action.

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