

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
DEPARTMENT OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Office of the
Commissioner of Technical Education
Andhra Pradesh:: Vijayawada

Memo. No. C1/Voters day/2018

Dated. 12-01-2018

Sub: TECHNICAL EDUCATION-ESTABLISHMENT- APTES-
Celebrations on account of National Voters Day on 25th January 2018-
issued certain instructions- instructions issued to all the Principals of
the Govt. Polytechnics in the state.- Reg.

Ref: Memo. No. 5740/Elecs.E/2017-1, Dt. 14-12-2017 of the office of the
Chief Electoral Officer, Andhra Pradesh

In the reference cited above, the office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Andhra Pradesh has issued certain instructions to on various activities to be under taken in connection with celebration of the 8th National Voters' Day to be held on 25-01-2018. The Theme for the 8th NVD is "Accessible Elections" and the activities taken up un the run up to NVD shall have special focus around the theme and facilitating persons with disabilities (PWDS) in the election process.

In view of the above, while enclosing the copy of the memo issued by the Chief Electoral, Andhra Pradesh, all the Principals of the Government polytechnics in the state and the RJD's of Tirupathi and Kakinada are requested to take necessary action in the matter.

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For Spl. COMMISSIONER

TO
All the Principals of the Govt. Polytechnics in the state.
The RJDTE, Tirupathi and Kakinada
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OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER,
ANDHRA PRADESH
South 'H' Block, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Memo No. 5740/Elecs.E/A2/2017-1

Dated: 14.12.2017

Sub:- NVD - Celebrations on account of National Voters' Day on 25th January, 2018 - Action to be taken by the District Election Officers - Detailed instructions - Issued - Regarding.

Ref:- From the ECI Letters No.491/LET/ECI/SVEEP-I/NVD/2018,
dt.27.11.2017 & dt.8.12.2017

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Copies of the ECI letters cited are sent herewith to all the District Election Officers in Andhra Pradesh. All District Election Officers are aware that the Election Commission of India celebrates 25th January, its Foundation Day, as the National Voters Day every year. The Commission's objective is to increase the enrolment of voters, by using this occasion so as to make universal adult franchise a complete reality and, thereby, to enhance the quality of Indian democracy. The day will also be utilized to spread awareness among voters regarding effective participation in the electoral process.

2. The Commission in its letter cited has issued instructions on various activities to be undertaken in connection with celebrations of the 8th National Voters' Day, to be held on 25.01.2018. The theme for the 8th NVD is "**Accessible Elections**" and the activities taken up in the run up to NVD shall have special focus around the theme and facilitating Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in the electoral process.

3. The following activities shall be undertaken in connection with the National Voters' Day on 25.01.2018 by the respective Officers under the overall supervision of the District Election Officer:

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- (i) The Booth Level Officers (BLOs) in each polling station area shall felicitate the newly registered voters on 25th January, 2018 in a brief ceremony / public function to be arranged at each Polling Station Location. As prescribed by the Commission, a badge with its logo with the slogan "**Proud to be a voter - Ready to vote**" shall also be handed over by the BLOs to the new young electors during the felicitation ceremony **along with their EPIC**. The DEOs would secure the venue and logistics required for the brief ceremony / public function at each polling station location. The badges will be supplied by this office.
 - (ii) The AEROs and EROs of the respective constituency shall participate in the ceremony / public function of those Part(s) under their jurisdiction where largest number of newly registered electors would be felicitated. This function can be combined in respect of all the polling stations located within 2 km radius of the venue to achieve a high level of impact.

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- (iii) The District Election Officer shall organize appropriate function at the District headquarters, in association with Local bodies, Universities / Engineering Colleges / other academic institutions / civil society organizations / Youth Volunteers' Associations like NSS, NCC, Scouts & Guides, NYKS / Media and Ex-servicemen etc. to popularize the electoral participation and voters' education. In the function at the District Headquarters also, EPICs shall be distributed among new voters of the local polling stations combining within a radius of 2 km or so to achieve the high level of impact. It shall be ensured that the Chief Guest(s) hand over the EPICs to all newly registered voters (18+), whose Polling Station(s) are covered by the ceremony / function and electors are not made to walk a long distance for this purpose.
- (iv) Representatives of all political parties shall be invited to the celebration of the NVD at every level in addition to other stakeholders.
- (v) Deployment of dedicated staff at Mandal, Sub-division and District levels shall be undertaken with complete responsibility for guidance / coordination, for celebrations and reporting of all the NVD related activities effectively. BLOs shall be trained at the Mandal Headquarters / Constituency level about their role for NVD activities by the Designated Officer / EROs / AEROs well in advance. Sensitization of the BLOs towards registration of women voters may be taken up during training.
- (vi) Special campaigns for creating awareness among urban migrants, Persons with Disabilities, homeless persons, Transgender, marginalized sections and other identified groups shall also be undertaken. Collaboration with NGOs, CSOs, Government Departments, PSUs and Corporates for reaching out to and actively engaging these groups shall be taken.
- (vii) Special drive shall be undertaken for **Service personnel** utilizing the Army Day that falls on 15th January just ahead of NVD. In addition, the Service personnel may be engaged with the NVD celebrations as well.
- (viii) "Young Voter's Festival" through competitions in all Higher Secondary Schools and Higher Educational Institutions, i.e. Colleges, P.G. Centers and Universities shall be organized by DEO to serve as a build-up to NVD-2018. The competitions both at Junior Level and Senior Level will be Elocution & Essay Writing, which will be organized at Constituency, District and State Level on 18.01.2018, 21.01.2018 and 24.01.2018 respectively. Rangoli competition shall

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- (ix) be organized at Polling Station Location level on 25.01.2018. Attractive prizes shall be given to the winners of the competitions at Polling Station Location (Rangoli) Constituency, District and State levels (in respect of 2 competitions) The District and State level winning entries (1st, 2nd & 3rd) will be showcased along with the photograph on CEOs website / You Tube. Certificates shall also be awarded to all the winners.
- (x) Women centric activities shall be taken up to mobilize women for registration. Special focus be made on newly married women for getting them registered at place of marriage and deletion of name from previous roll. AWW, ASHA and Women self-help groups are to be engaged for capacity building.
- (xi) Field level units of Information and Public Relations Department shall be engaged for audio-visual, outdoor advertisement, Song & Drama, Cultural troupes etc. for environment building.
- (xii) Chalking out specific programme activities to be undertaken by Civil Society Organizations, Schools/Colleges/Universities, reputed non-political NGOs, Youth / Students Organizations like NCC, NSS, NYKS etc., to enhance the quality of Indian democracy duly convening the meeting by the District Election Officer well in advance and communicating minutes with details of programme / activities.
- (xiii) Taking support of various media agencies to create awareness among all the electors commencing from 1st January, 2018 onwards on day to day basis. District Public Relation Officer should be made responsible for this media coverage.
- (xiv) PVC EPICs shall be got printed through eSeva / MeeSeva Centres for the newly eligible electors w.r.t. 1.1.2018. The badges will be centrally printed at Hyderabad and supplied. The newly eligible electors to be given EPIC on NVD should have representation from all the sections i.e. women, minority, tribal, physically challenged, transgender, other weaker sections etc.
- (xv) Millennium Voters (those born on the first day of the 21st Century i.e. 1.1.2000 and who will become an eligible voter completing their 18 years of age on 1.1.2018) shall be identified during the Summary Revision and they may be felicitated during the NVC function at booth, district and State level.
- (xvi) Young Voter's Festival held every year ahead of NVD in Colleges and Universities may be taken as launch pad for the setting up of

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Electoral Literacy Clubs (New Voters) in identified institutes, for the first phase of ELC roll out and all subsequent voter outreach activities in these Institutes may be conducted under the aegis of the ELCs. Similarly, school engagement may be carried out for launch of ELC (Future Voters) in identified secondary and higher secondary schools.

- (xvii) Winners of the National Election Quiz 2017-18 at district and State level may be felicitated in the function at District and State respectively
- (xviii) Issue of instructions to BLOs to keep Forms 6, 7, 8 & 8A available at all the Polling Station Locations on 25.01.2018 for distribution and also collection of forms and photographs, whoever wants to submit applications / new / latest photographs during the NVD celebrations.
- (xix) At least 10 citizens who are enrolled for the first time shall be felicitated on National Voters' Day at each Polling Station Location;
- (xx) Identifying and felicitating veteran voters at the Assembly Constituency Level / District Level, who have continuously participated in the Election Process as a voter ever since the first elections conducted till date.
- (xxi) NVD shall be celebrated in all Schools / Colleges / Other Educational Institutions and the NVD pledge shall be administered through issue of necessary circulars.
- (xxii) Print and Electronic media should be encouraged to propagate the concept and celebrations of National Voters' Day on voluntary and free-of-cost basis, particularly, Doordarshan (DD), All India Radio, Directorate of Field Publicity, Directorate of I & PR shall be engaged for wide publicity and coverage of NVD.
- (xxiii) Ensure that the EPICs issued on the National Voters Day to the voters through the Chief Guest(s) are error-free. The EPICs to be distributed should be thoroughly checked and prepared error free in all aspects viz., names in both the languages, address, date of birth etc. If any errors are found in the EPICs issued on the National Voters' Day, it will attract the notice of print and electronic media that would cover the functions/ceremonies and thereby lot of criticism will come from the public besides creating very bad impression on entire electoral administration. The Commission will take a serious view on the adverse items in the media on the National Voters' Day ceremonies.

(xxiv) Organize human chain / rally / marathons at Assembly Constituency and District Head Quarters on NVD in association with the NSS / NCC / NYKs etc. The DEOs shall take necessary action to provide required logistics to NCC cadets / NSS volunteers on the above day.

(xxv) The following activities shall also be tried out:-

- ◆ To organize cultural programme / rallies with newly enrolled voters along with students / volunteers.
- ◆ Rolling Trophy to Village Organizations who enrolled cent percent eligible citizens as electors.
- ◆ To involve Village Organizations at all locations for NVD celebrations.
- ◆ To organize 2K / 3K / 5K Run with the help of NGOs / Industrial establishments and distribute T-Shirts / Caps to the participants with the funding from apolitical NGOs / Industries etc.
- ◆ To present a Tableau on Republic Day Parade on 26.01.2018 at District Headquarters.
- ◆ To honour the best BLO who had worked hard for enrolment of cent percent eligible citizens in error free manner at the District / AC level functions
- ◆ To felicitate the Principals / Heads of Institutions who have enrolled cent percent eligible students of their institution with reference to qualifying date of 1.1.2018 and deliver a Trophy at district level function.

Conduct of competitions:

- i) The students of Upper Primary Schools, High Schools and Intermediate shall be grouped as Junior level and the students from undergraduate level onwards shall be treated as Senior level;
- ii) Competitions for both junior and senior level students shall be conducted separately in 2 events each viz., Elocution & Essay Writing.
- iii) Assembly Constituency wise competitions and District wise competitions shall be held on 18.01.2018 and 21.01.2018 respectively;
- iv) A.C. level Competitions shall be held at all Schools / Colleges / Universities by the Heads of the Institutions. They will evaluate the
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- performance, award the marks for each entry, tabulate the names of participants and their scores, event wise and furnish along with the entry sheets to the respective Assistant Electoral Registration Officer (Tahsildar) / Electoral Registration Officer (Revenue Divisional Officer/Deputy Collector), whoever is in proximity;
- v) On receipt of entries / tabulated scores from all the Schools/Colleges under the jurisdiction of an Assembly Constituency, the concerned ERO shall decide the winners by awarding first, second and third ranks for each event/category;
- vi) The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners of all Assembly Constituency level competitions in the district shall be participating for district level competitions on 21.01.2018 at district headquarters. The District Election Officer concerned will organize these events;
- vii) The 1st place winners of district level competitions in each event / category shall be sent for State level competitions at Vijayawada on 24.01.2018 and prizes for State Level winners will be distributed during State Level NVD function at Vijayawada on 25.01.2018. The venue for the State level competitions and State level NVD function will be intimated by the DEO, Krishna;
- viii) The DEOs shall send the participants to Vijayawada along with one responsible Officer as Caretaker to reach by 24.01.2018 morning. They have to stay in Vijayawada up to afternoon of 25.01.2018. Boarding and lodging facilities will be provided by the Collector & District Election Officer, Krishna.
- ix) The DEOs shall send the list of participants for State level competitions and the Officer accompanying them to DEO, Krishna and this office by fax on 21.01.2018 for making necessary arrangements.
- x) The ERO / AERO shall organize the AC level competitions in close coordination with all the heads of Schools / Colleges / P.G. Centres / Universities under his / her jurisdiction;
- xi) The District Election Officer shall organize the District Level Competitions at District Headquarter. The time and venue of competitions shall be informed to all the participants well in advance;
- xii) The Collector & District Election Officer, Krishna shall organize the State Level Competitions for the State of Andhra Pradesh at Vijayawada. He should provide the boarding and lodging facilities to the participants of all competitions and their attendants (i.e., 5 x 13 = 65 participants) and transportation for their participation in State Level function at the venue to be decided by the DEO, Krishna on 25.01.2018;

- xiii) The DEO, Krishna shall inform the boarding venue to all the DEOs in advance along with the contact details of the Coordinator;
- xiv) In order to have uniformity in the topics for competitions all over the State, the topics for Elocution and Essay Writing will be as below:

A.C. Level	Juniors	How to become responsible voter
	Seniors	Indian Democracy – Role of youth
District Level	Juniors	Simplification of voter enrolment – measures to be taken
	Seniors	Electoral Reforms – Seeking votes on caste & religion basis - Curb illegal activities in elections
State Level	Juniors	How to make elections accessible to identified groups like Persons with Disability (PwDs) & marginalized sections
	Seniors	Conduct of free & fair elections – Expectations from stakeholders & election machinery – Simultaneous elections to Parliament & Assemblies – Pros & Cons

4. The District Election Officers shall furnish the statistics of 18+ enrolled electors during the revision period and number of EPICs to be issued on 25.01.2018 to this office by 21.01.2018. Heads of Educational Institutions shall contact the ERO / AERO concerned for further instructions with regard to conduct of competitions and celebration of NVD.

5. The District Election Officers are informed that the NVD Badges, Certificates and other material will be supplied at appropriate time by the CEO's office as was done during NVD, 2017.

6. The District Election Officers shall report the compliance along with details of events held on NVD, 2018 and photographs / video-clipping uploaded on web site of the CEO. A detailed report with photographs / video clippings shall be sent to this office by 15th of February, 2018 in the shape of booklet prepared by a Professional Agency. They are also requested to furnish the Assembly Constituency / District level winning entries in each category and names and photographs of the winners, so as to showcase on CEO's website and to submit to the Election Commission of India. The report should be sent in hard copy as well as soft copy.

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7. The District Election Officers shall also send the information in the enclosed NVD reporting format twice – first report by 31.12.2017 and second by 02.02.2018, so as to furnish the consolidated information to the Commission and also to upload the same on ECI web site.

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To

All District Election Officers in Andhra Pradesh (w.e)

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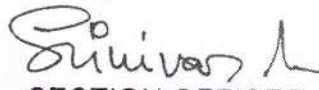
The Chairman, A.P. State Council for Higher Education.
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With a request to issue suitable instructions to all the Heads of Educational Institutions under their control.

✓ The Special Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary, School / Higher/ Technical Education, Government of Andhra Pradesh with a request to issue the instructions to all the concerned to make NVD, 2018 celebrations a grand success.

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