Public (Elections-III) Department

PRESS RELEASE

The Election Commission of India has announced the following poll schedule for the $14^{\rm th}$ General Elections to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, 2011:-

Filing of nominations and issue of Notification	19.3.2011 (Saturday)
Last date for making nominations	26.3.2011 (Saturday)
Scrutiny of Nominations	28.3.2011 (Monday)
Last date for withdrawal of candidature	30.3.2011 (Wednesday)
Date of poll	13.4.2011 (Wednesday)
Counting of votes	13.5.2011 (Friday)
Date before which election shall be completed	16.5.2011 (Monday)

With the announcement of the schedule for the General Elections to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, the Model Code of Conduct has come into operation with immediate effect, i.e. from 1.3.2011.

From the time elections are announced by the Commission, Ministries and other authorities shall not –

- a) announce any financial grants in any form or promises thereof;
 or
- b) (except civil servants) lay foundation stones, etc. of projects or schemes of any kind; or

c) Make any promise of construction of roads, provision of drinking water facilities, etc. or

d) Make any ad-hoc appointments in Government, Public Undertakings, etc. which may have the effect of influencing the voters in favour of the party in power.

Further, the Ministers shall not combine their official visit with electioneering work and shall not also make use of official machinery or personnel during the electioneering work.

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