

Press Release

The Special Summary Revision of Electoral Rolls with reference to 01.01.2017 as the qualifying date commenced with draft publication on 1st September 2016. Claims and objections were received from 01.09.2016 up to 30.09.2016.

During the above revision period, 15,85,603 application were received for inclusion and 15,26,985 applications were admitted and included in the final Electoral Roll published on 05.01.2017. 3,84,369 entries were deleted on account of shifting, death and duplicate entries.

During the previous Summary Revision, 2016 the data were collected from the Districts and forwarded by this department to the vendor for printing of PVC EPIC cards. Last year, the cards were distributed through the respective Booth Level Officers.

For this year, arrangements have been made for printing and issue of Electors Photo Identity Cards (EPICs) to the new electors (15,26,985) through the Arasu e-Sevai centres in Tamil Nadu. For all the new electors, who have registered their mobile numbers with the Elections department, an Unique ID number will be sent through SMS. They can show the Unique ID Number at any nearby e-Sevai Centre and get their Electors Photo Identity Cards printed, free of cost. Necessary software has been developed in this regard. Those new electors, who have **NOT** registered their mobile numbers with the Election department, can register

their mobile numbers by calling Election Department's toll free helpline 1950. They can get their new PVC EPIC free of cost at the Arasu e-Sevai centers by producing any photo identity proof.

**CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER &
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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