

**PRESS RELEASE**

The Hon'ble Chief Election Commissioner Thiru. Rajiv Kumar, Election Commissioner Thiru. Arun Goel and other Senior Officials from Election Commission of India, arrived in Chennai to review the Poll Preparedness for General Election to Lok Sabha, 2024 in Tamil Nadu for two days (23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2024) in Trident Hotel, Chennai. On the first day of the visit (23.02.2024), the Commission conducted a meeting with representatives of all recognised State and National Political Parties (10 in total) and they gave representations on various Election related issues to ECI. Followed by that meeting there was a review meeting with District Election Officers, Returning Officers, Superintendents of Police, Commissioners of Police, Range IGs and Zonal DIGs which discussed the preparedness towards the conduct of General Election to Lok Sabha, 2024.

On the second day of the visit by ECI on 24.02.2024, there will be a meeting conducted with the Chief Electoral Officers and State Police Nodal Officers of Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka followed by meeting with Central and State Enforcement Agencies to discuss about Election Expenditure Monitoring related issues. This will be followed by a meeting of the Commission with the Chief Secretary, Director General of Police and all Secretaries to Government who have a role in election preparedness. The visit will conclude with a press briefing with the Media Persons at 3.00 PM.

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