

**PRESS RELEASE**

With the announcement of election to 180.Pudukottai Assembly Constituency, the Model Code of Conduct has come into operation. The Model Code of Conduct would be operational for the entire Pudukottai District specifically,

- Announcement of any new schemes for Pudukottai District cannot be made.
- Floating of tenders or finalization of tenders or starting of new works cannot be done for Pudukottai District.
- Any inauguration or laying of foundation stone cannot be done in Pudukottai District.
- There would be total ban on transfer and posting of officers connected with elections.
- Union or State Ministers cannot combine official work with election work while visiting Pudukottai District. Even visit to the neighbouring districts on official work cannot be combined with visit to Pudukottai for election work.
- Government transport cannot be used for election work.
- No use of pilot cars or beacon lights is allowed for journeys to Pudukottai for election work.
- Review meeting of officials of Pudukottai District cannot be done.
- No advertisement at Government cost, highlighting achievement can be issued.
- Free distribution of goods and articles cannot be done under various Government schemes.
- No appointments can be done against any post related to the district.

In addition, there would be strict implementation of expenditure control measures, under which Flying Squads and static surveillance squads would be set up. Anyone carrying cash above Rs.2 lakhs should have adequate proof for the same or else the same would be seized. Any cash, without minimum limits, connected to distribution of money in election would also be seized and penal action taken.

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