



राज्य निर्वाचन आयोग हिमाचल प्रदेश
STATE ELECTION COMMISSION HIMACHAL PRADESH

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No. SEC16-29/2000-I-5164

dated the

17st November, 2025

NOTIFICATION

Whereas the term of the existing Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies in the State is due to expire as per details given below:-

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| (i) Panchayati Raj Institutions | 31 st January, 2026 |
| (ii) 50 Urban Local Bodies | 18 th January, 2026 |
| (iii) 4 Municipal Corporations
(Dharamshala, Palampur, Mandi & Solan) | 13 th April, 2026 |
| (iv) 5 Nagar Panchayats
(Amb, Chirgaon, Kandaghat, Nerwa & Nirmand) | 16 th April, 2026 |

And whereas the delimitation of Panchayati Raj Institutions in respect of 3577 Gram Panchayats, 90 Panchayat Samitis, 11 Zila Parishads and 71 Urban Local Bodies have been completed and stands finally notified ;

And whereas electoral rolls of 3548 Gram Panchayats and 70 ULBs have been finally prepared after following due process of law and electoral rolls of 29 Gram Panchayats and one ULB is scheduled to be finalized on 1st December, 2025 and 7th December, 2025 respectively;

And whereas the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLPs No. 22468, 22469 of 2024 titled as "The State of Punjab & Others Vs Beant Kumar and another" has expressly directed that the Constitutional scheme mandates that the election process must commence six months before the expiry of the term of five years contemplated under Article 243E(1) and 243 U(1) of the Constitution of India;

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And whereas the State Election Commission vide letters dated 1st May, 2025, 4th July, 2025 and 28th July, 2025 had informed the Government of Himachal Pradesh that the boundaries of Urban Local Bodies shall stand frozen once the delimitation of wards is finally notified;

And whereas the time left to constitute the PRIs is less than 75 days and about 60 days for a majority of Urban Local Bodies;

Therefore, the State Election Commission in exercise of the powers vested in it under Article 243K(1) ZA(1) of the Constitution of India, Section 160 (1) of the HP Panchayati Raj Act, 1994, Section 281 (1) of the HP Municipal Act, 1994 and Section 9 (1) of the HP Municipal Corporation Act, 1994 read with first proviso of the clause 2.1 of the Himachal Pradesh Panchayats and Municipalities Model Code of Conduct, 2020 hereby enforces with immediate effect the following clause of the Model Code of Conduct, 2020 throughout the State of Himachal Pradesh :-

12.1 The structure, classification or area of the Panchayats and Municipalities shall not be altered after the issue of Notification by the State Election Commission enforcing this clause, till the election process is over.

All concerned to ensure strict adherence to the above provision Please.

By Order
(Anil Kumar Khachi)
State Election Commissioner
Himachal Pradesh.

No. SEC16-29/2000-I-5165 dated the 17th November, 2025

Copy to the Secretary to H.E. the Governor of Himachal Pradesh.

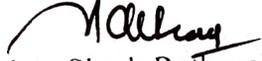

(Surjeet Singh Rathore)
Secretary
State Election Commission
Himachal Pradesh.

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17st November, 2025

Copy to the following with the request to ensure strict compliance of the said provision

1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Principal Secretary (Urban Development) Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
3. The Secretary (PR) Government of Himachal Pradesh.
4. All the Secretaries to the Government of Himachal Pradesh
5. The Director Panchayati Raj Department HP Shimla-9.
6. The Director Urban Development Department Government of HP Shimla-2.
7. All the District Election Officers-cum-Deputy Commissioners Himachal Pradesh.
8. All the Assistant District Election Officers-cum-District Panchayat Officers Himachal Pradesh.
9. E-Gazette/ Website/Guard File.


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