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STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, U.T., CHANDIGARH,

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PRESS NOTE

It is notified for the information of general public that the Administrator, Union Territory, Chandigarh, has approved the following election programme for holding General elections from 35 wards of the Municipal Corporation of Chandigarh to elect Councillors:-

1.	Commencement of filing of nominations	27.11.2021 (Saturday)
2.	Last date for filing of nominations	04.12.2021 (Saturday)
3.	Scrutiny of Nominations.	06.12.2021 (Monday)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures.	09.12.2021 (Thursday)
5.	Date of Poll, if necessary.	24.12.2021 (Friday)
6.	Counting of Votes	27.12.2021 (Monday)
7.	The date before which the election shall be completed	30.12.2021 (Thursday)

The hours of poll for the above election shall be from **7.30 A.M. to 5.00 P.M.** (without break).

(i)	The approximate number of voters will be (a) Male (b) Female (c) Third Gender	:- :-	630311 330713 299581 17
(ii)	The approximate number of polling booths	:-	694

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2. The candidates can file nominations in the offices of the respective Returning Officers (already appointed by the Commission) in their offices, whose names, designations and official addresses are given below :-

S.No.	Names, Designations & Addresses of the Officers appointed as Returning Officers	No. of Ward	<u>Tele</u> Office	<u>phone No.</u> <u>Mobile</u>
1	Ms. Navjot Kaur, PCS, Director Social Welfare, Women and Child Development, Additional Town Hall Building, 3 rd Floor, Near D.C. Office, Sector-17-C, Chandigarh.	1 2 3 4	0172- 2700372	9888182552
2.	Sh. Manish Kumar Lohan, HCS, Joint Secretary Home, Room No.128, 1 st Floor, U.T. Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh.	5 6 7 8	0172- 2743128	9416717952

3.	Sh. Jagjit Singh, PCS,	9	0172-	9814236221
	Director Technical Education-cum-	10	2750943	
	Additional Secretary Technical Education,	11		
	Chandigarh College of Engineering &	12		
	Technology (Degree Wing),			
	Ground Floor, Block-A, Sector 26,			
	Chandigarh.			
4.	Sh. Rakesh Kumar Popli, PCS,	13	0172-	9815664124
	Secretary, Chandigarh Housing Board	14	4601605	/010001121
	Chandigarh Housing Board, Block-A,	15	1001005	
	#8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh.	16		
		10		
5.	Sh. Tejdeep Singh Saini, PCS,	17	0172-	9915194695
	Director Sports,	18	2620142	
	Sports Department, Hockey Stadium,	19		
	Sector 42-B, Chandigarh.	20		
6.	Sh. Harjeet Singh Sandhu, PCS,	21	0172-	9815425128
	Assistant Estate officer (Headquarters)	22	5046611	
	Room No. 01, Second Floor, Town Hall	23		
	Building, Estate Office, Sector-17,	24		
	Chandigarh.			
7.	Sh. Pradhuman Singh, HCS,	25	0172-	9501155115
	Registering & Licensing Authority,	26	2990216	
	Chandigarh.	27		
	O/o Director Transport, CTU Head Office,	28		
	Plot No.701, First Floor, Industrial Area,			
	Phase-1, Chandigarh.			
8.	Sh. Sorabh Kumar Arora, PCS,	29	0172-	9501602021
	Director Cultural Affairs,	30	2740261	2001002021
	Government Museum & Art Gallery,	31	27 10201	
	Opposite Leisure Valley,	32		
	Sector 10 C, Chandigarh.	02		
9.	Sh. Kuljit Paul Singh Mahi, PCS,	33	0172-	9417540040
	Additional Deputy Commissioner,	34	2700025	, 11, 510010
	Room No.12, 1 st Floor, Estate Office	35	2,00025	
	Building,	55		
	Sector 17, Chandigarh.			
	Sector 17, Ghanuigath.			

- 3. Interested persons may obtain/file nomination papers with the above Returning Officers between the hours of 11.00 A.M. and 3.00 P.M. on all working days from 27.11.2021 to 04.12.2021 except on public holiday(s) declared by the Administrator, Union Territory of Chandigarh, for above mentioned purpose.
- Nomination Form will also be available online on the website of SEC i.e. <u>https://chandigarh.gov.in/departments/state-election-commission</u>. Online filling of nomination facility shall also be available.

- The Commission has decided that hereafter the photo of the contesting 5. candidate will also be printed on the ballot paper to be affixed on the Electronic Voting Machines against the name of the candidate. As such, every candidate shall have to file 2 photographs alongwith his nomination paper at the time of filing of nominations. The detailed instructions in this behalf will be supplied by the Returning Officer when form(s) of nomination will be issued to the i.e. seen at SEC website candidates. Instruction can also be https://chandigarh.gov.in/departments/state-election-commission.
- 6. The electoral roll of Chandigarh Parliamentary Constituency as relate to all the 35 Wards of the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh, for the time being in force (already revised with reference to the qualifying date as 1.1.2021) shall be the Electoral Roll for the above said election.
- 7. In case a candidate of a National Party recognized by the Election Commission of India, desires to contest the above said election, he/she will be required to file his/ her nomination paper duly proposed by an elector from the same ward. Candidates of State Parties (not recognized for U.T. Chandigarh, but are recognized in other States) and other candidates including the Independent candidates will have to file nomination papers with 10 proposers being voters of the same Ward. A security of Rs.6000/- (Rupees six thousand only) for each candidate shall have to be deposited as per instructions uploaded on SEC website & can also be taken from ROs with the Returning Officer at the time of filing of nomination paper and when the candidate is a member of a Scheduled Caste, it is Rs.3,000/- (Rupees three thousand only).
- The maximum limit of election expenditure which a candidate can incur in 8. connection with election in a Ward of the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh is Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees five lacs only). Every nominated candidate shall be required to maintain account of his/her election expenses from the date he/she is nominated till he/she has withdrawn or his/her nomination has been rejected/declaration of result of the election, as the case may be, in the and submit the same to the prescribed form and manner concerned Returning Officer within fifteen (15) days of the declaration of the result of the election. Instruction available on SEC website i.e. https://chandigarh.gov.in/departments/state-election-commission.
- 9. The State Election Commissioner, U.T. Chandigarh, had ordered that every nominated candidate while filing his/her nomination paper with the Returning Officer, shall furnish information about his/her involvement, if any, in criminal cases in the past, his/her assets and liabilities and his/her educational qualifications etc., in the form of two affidavits (A&B), (proformas and order of the Commission has been attached with the nomination paper form). It is to be noted that non-filing of the said affidavit or filing an incomplete affidavit alongwith the nomination paper will be treated as mistake of substantial character' and in such cases the nomination paper will be liable to be rejected.

- 10. Under the powers conferred upon the State Election Commissioner under Articles 243K and 243ZA of the Constitution of India read with the provisions of Section 10 of the Punjab Municipal Corporation Act, 1976, as extended to the Union Territory, Chandigarh by the Punjab Municipal Corporation Law (Extension to Chandigarh) Act, 1994, the 'Model Code of Conduct' will come into force in all the 35 Wards of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh with effect from 22.11.2021 and shall continue to be in force upto the date of declaration of result of the said election. Accordingly, the State Election Commissioner directs that the said Code of Conduct shall be strictly followed by all the political parties, candidates for the said election, all departments of Chandigarh Administration, Govt. of India's offices located in U.T. Chandigarh, all Heads of Local Bodies, the Director General of Police, U.T. Chandigarh and all other concerned agencies, for the period mentioned above.
- 11. The Delhi Prevention of Defacement of Property Act, 2007, has been extended to U.T., Chandigarh by the Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi w.e.f. 17.09.2015. Therefore, its provisions should be strictly complied with. The following penalties have been prescribed in the said Act on account of defacement of public property:-
 - (1) Whoever defaces any property in public view by writing or marking with ink, chalk, paint or any other material except for the purpose of indicating the name and address of the owner or occupier of such property, shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year, or with fine which may extend to fifty thousand rupees, or with both,
 - (2) When any offence is committed under sub-section (1) is for the benefit of some other person or a company or other body corporate or an association of persons (whether incorporated or not) then, such other person and every **president**, **chairman**, **director**, partner, manager, secretary, agent or any other officer or persons connected with the management thereof, as the case may be, shall, unless he proves the offence was committed without his knowledge or consent, be deemed to be guilty of such offence.
 - (3) The aforesaid penalties will be without prejudice to the provisions of Section 425 and Section 434 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (45 of 1860) and the provisions of relevant Municipal Acts.

12. The following officers of the Chandigarh Administration have been appointed as Election Observers and Election Expenditure Observers in connection with the aforesaid election :-

ELECTION OBSERVERS :-

S. No.	Name/Designation & Office address of the Election	Ward No.	<u>Telephone No.</u>		
	Observers.		Office	Mobile	
1.	Ms. Jaswinder Kaur Sidhu, IAS Managing Director CITCO Chandigarh Industrial and Tourism Development Corporation Limited, SCO 121-122, Sector 17-B, Chandigarh.	1 to 8	0172- 2704455	9814205583	
2.	Sh. Vinod P. Kavle, IAS Secretary, Information Technology 4 th Floor, Deluxe Building, U.T. Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh.	9 to 16	0172- 2740039	9586764646	
3.	Ms. Nitika Pawar, IAS Secretary, Social Welfare & Women & Child Development 1 st Floor, Deluxe Building, U.T. Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh.	17 to 24	0172- 2743860	8510890851	
4.	Ms. Hargunjit Kaur, IAS Secretary Industries 4 th Floor, Deluxe Building, U.T. Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh.	25 to 35	0172- 2740045	9872248642	

ELECTION EXPENDITURE OBSERVERS:-

S. No.	Name/Designation & Office address of Election Expenditure	Ward No.	<u>Telephone No.</u>		
NO.	Observer		Office	Mobile	
1.	Sh. Jasbir Singh, Joint Director(Admn), Govt. Medical College and Hospital, 1 st Floor, Block- D, Sector 32, Chandigarh.	1 to 8	0172- 2676023	9646121508	

2.	Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Deputy Controller (F&A), Govt. Medical College and Hospital, 1 st Floor, Block- D, Sector 32, Chandigarh.	9 to 16	0172- 2606997	8054005668
3.	Sh. Naresh Kumar Saini, Assistant Controller (F&A), O/o Chief Engineer, U.T., Chandigarh. Ground Floor, U.T. Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh.	17 to 24		9888190499
4.	Sh. Vijay Kumar Vij, Assistant Controller (F&A), O/o A.O. Rents, U.T., Secretariat, Sector-9, Chandigarh.	25 to 35	0172- 2740280	9646443924

- 13. In case the general public and any member of political party find that the Model Code of Conduct is being violated, they can make a complaint to the concerned Election Observer /Election Expenditure Observer. Cases of violating the Code of Conduct and any instructions regarding the election expenses by a candidate, a complaint to the concerned Election Observer/Expenditure Observer, may be made.
- 14. In case of any advice, guidance or any information on the above said subject, the interested person may contact this Commission on Telephone No.5025108, 5025109, 5003206 or personally at the office of the State Election Commission, U.T., Chandigarh, First Floor, New Deluxe Building, Sector 17-E, Chandigarh, or the Returning Officers, on any working day during office hours.
- The election programme is subject to outcome of CWP No. 21691 of 2021 &
 CWP No. 21936 of 2021 in the Hon'ble High Court.

Secretary, State Election Commission, U.T. Chandigarh.

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- A copy is forwarded to the folioing for information and immediate necessary action:-
- 1. PS to the Advisor to the Administrator, U.T., Chandigarh.
- 2. Secretary Local Government, Chandigarh Administration.
- 3. Secretary Personnel, Chandigarh Administration.
- 4. Finance Secretary, Chandigarh Administration.
- 5. Director General of Police, U.T., Chandigarh
- 6. Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.
- 7. Deputy Commissioner, U.T., Chandigarh.
- 8. All the National and State Political Parties recognized by the Election Commission of India through their District Presidents in U.T., Chandigarh.
- 9. All the Returning Officers, General Election to Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.
- 10. All the General Election Observers, General Election to Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.
- 11. All the Election Expenditure Observers, General Election to Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.
- 12. The Director Public Relations, U.T. Chandigarh (with 20 spare copies of the pressnote) with the request that wide-publicity to the contents of the press note may kindly be arranged through T.V. & Press-media.

Secretary, State Election Commission, U.T. Chandigarh.