

**OFFICE OF THE EXCISE COMMISSIONER**  
**JAMMU AND KASHMIR**  
EXCISE AND TAXATION COMPLEX,  
RAIL HEAD, JAMMU  
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**Subject:** Conduct of Municipal By – Elections, 2020 – Declaration of Dry Day-regarding.

**Reference:** Joint Chief Electoral Officer, UT of Jammu and Kashmir's letter No. 2134/CEO/ME/2020/1123-26 dated 08-11-2020.

ORDER No.: 186 OF 2020  
DATED: 16 - 11 - 2020

Whereas, the Joint Chief Electoral Officer, UT of Jammu and Kashmir vide letter No. 2134/CEO/ME/2020/1123-26 dated 08-11-2020 has requested this office for notifying 'dry days' in the Municipal Areas going to poll/ counting as per the schedule for the conduct of free and fair Municipal By-Elections, 2020 in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir; and

Whereas, Section 135C of Representation of the People Act, 1951 provides as under:

*"No spirituous, fermented or intoxicating liquors or other substances of a like nature shall be sold, given or distributed at a hotel, eating house, tavern, shop or any other place, public or private, within a polling area during the period of forty-eight hours ending with the hour fixed for the conclusion of the poll for any election in that polling area."*

Now, therefore, in view of above provision of Section 135C of Representation of the People Act, 1951 and request made by the Joint Chief Electoral Officer, UT of Jammu and Kashmir, it is hereby ordered that liquor vends/ trades/ outlets selling liquor on/ off the premises operating within the Municipal Corporations/Councils/Committees in the Jammu & Kashmir shall remain closed as per the schedule mentioned below:

S. No.	Phase	Date of Poll/ Counting	Dry Days
1.	Phase 1	28-11-2020	26-11-2020 (2:00 p.m.) to 28-11-2020 (2:00 p.m.)
2.	Phase 2	01-12-2020	29-11-2020 (2:00 p.m.) to 01-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.)
3.	Phase 3	04-12-2020	02-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.) to 04-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.)
4.	Phase 4	07-12-2020	05-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.) to 07-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.)
5.	Phase 5	10-12-2020	08-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.) to 10-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.)

6.	Phase 6	13-12-2020	11-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.) to 13-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.)
7.	Phase 7	16-12-2020	14-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.) to 16-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.)
8.	Phase 8	19-12-2020	17-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.) to 19-12-2020 (2:00 p.m.)
Date of counting:			22-12-2020

**Phase-Wise Details of Municipal Bodies:-**

<b>KASHMIR DIVISION</b>	
<b>Phase I</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Anantnag	Municipal Committee Pahalgam
	Municipal Committee Aishmuqam
Srinagar	Municipal Corporation Srinagar (P)
<b>Phase II</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Baramulla	Municipal Committee Kunzer
Srinagar	Municipal Corporation Srinagar (P)
Budgam	Municipal Committee Beerwah
Pulwama	Municipal Committee Tral
<b>Phase III</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Anantnag	Municipal Committee Mattan
	Municipal Committee Seer Hamdan
Ganderbal	Municipal Council Ganderbal
Shopian	Municipal Council Shopian
<b>Phase IV</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Anantnag	Municipal Committee Dooru Verinag
Baramulla	Municipal Committee Watergam
Budgam	Municipal Committee Magam
Kupwara	Municipal Committee Langate
Pulwama	Municipal Council Pulwama
	Municipal Committee Awantipora
Kulgam	Municipal Council Kulgam
<b>Phase V</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Anantnag	Municipal Committee Qazigund
Budgam	Municipal Committee Chara-I-Sharief
<b>Phase VI</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Anantnag	Municipal Committee Achabal
Bandipora	Municipal Committee Bandipora
Baramulla	Municipal Council Baramulla
Budgam	Municipal Committee Chadoora
<b>Phase VII</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>

Anantnag	Municipal Council Anantnag
	Municipal Committee Kokernag
Kulgam	Municipal Committee Frisal
	Municipal Committee Yaripora
<b>Phase VIII</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Anantnag	Municipal Committee Bijbehara
Bandipora	Municipal Committee Hajin
Baramulla	Municipal Committee Pattan
Baramulla	Municipal Council Sopore
Budgam	Municipal Council Budgam
Pulwama	Municipal Committee Khrew
	Municipal Committee Pampore

<b>JAMMU DIVISION</b>	
<b>PHASE III</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Doda	Municipal Committee Baderwah
<b>Phase VII</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Ramban	Municipal Council Ramban
Reasi	Municipal Committee Katra
Kathua	Municipal Council Kathua
<b>Phase VIII</b>	
<b>Name of District</b>	<b>Name of ULB</b>
Reasi	Municipal Council Reasi

Besides, any permit to serve liquor on Social Occasions at private places, Banquet Halls, Party Halls and Restaurant etc. issued by competent authority prior to the issuance of notification for Municipal By – Elections, 2020, corresponding the above dry days are hereby cancelled.

All the Controlling Officers (Deputy Excise Commissioners/ Excise & Taxation Officers) shall get the instructions noted by all the concerned for strict compliance. The officers and field staff of the Excise Department shall lay Nakas to prevent smuggling of liquor on pre-poll/ poll/ counting day and ensure that the provision of Section 135C of Representation of the People Act, 1951 are strictly observed.

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No.: EC/Exc/Misc/F-008/

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Dated: 16-11-2020

Copy to the:

1. Financial Commissioner, Finance Department, Civil Secretariat, Jammu.
2. Chief Electoral Officer, UT of Jammu & Kashmir, Nirvachan Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu.
3. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu/Kashmir.

4. Inspector General of Police, Jammu/Kashmir.
5. Director Information, J&K, Jammu for publication in all the leading newspapers.
6. All District Election Officers/Deputy Commissioners.
7. Deputy Excise Commissioner, (Accounts), Jammu/ (Executive), Jammu/ Kashmir/ Distilleries, Jammu.
8. Excise and Taxation Officer, City Excise Range (North/South) Jammu, Excise Range Udhampur-Reasi, Doda-Kishtwar-Ramban, Kathua, Samba, Rajouri-Poonch, Srinagar-Budgam-Ganderbal, Anantnag-Pulwama-Kulgam-Shopian, Baramulla- Bandipora-Kupwara, Eradication.
9. Programmer, I/c website, Excise Department, J&K ([www.jkexcise.nic.in](http://www.jkexcise.nic.in)).
10. Order file/concerned file (w2scs).