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Subject: General Elections to Legislative Assemblies of Haryana and UT of Jammu & Kashmir, 2024- DRY DAY-regarding.

- Reference: 1. Election Commission of India's Press Note No. ECI/PN/132/2024 dated 31st August, 2024**
2. Chief Electoral Officer's letter No. CEO-ELEC0COE/79/2024/11147-11263 dated 17.08.2024 regarding General Elections to Legislative Assemblies of Haryana and UT of Jammu & Kashmir, 2024- DRY DAY-regarding.

ORDER No.: 384- EC OF 2024
DATED: 03 - 09 - 2024

Whereas, Chief Electoral Officer, J&K vide afore-referred letter has enclosed directions of the Election Commission of India regarding announcement/notification of the General Elections to Legislative Assemblies of Haryana and Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, 2024 vide its Press Note No. ECI/PN/128/2024 dated 16.08.2024; and

Whereas, the Chief Electoral Officer, J&K has communicated vide afore-referred letter mentioning date(s) of poll and date of counting for declaration of Dry Days within the Assembly Constituencies on the scheduled dates of polling and date of counting in respective Assembly Constituencies; and

Whereas, Election Commission of India vide its Press Note No. ECI/PN/132/2024 dated 31st August, 2024 has decided to change the date of counting for the UT of Jammu & Kashmir from 04.10.2024 to 08.10.2024 (Tuesday); and

Whereas, Section 135-C of the Representation of People Act, 1951 provides that:

"No spirituous, fermented or intoxicating liquor 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 the polling area."

Now, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred under clause (i) of sub rule (10) of Rule 38 of the J&K Liquor License & Sales Rules, 1984, it is hereby ordered that 'Dry Day' shall be observed in each respective Assembly constituency on polling dates (48 hours ending with the hour fixed for conclusion of poll) and counting date as per the below schedule mentioned against each Assembly Constituency in the UT of J&K.

Phase	Name of District	No. & Name of Assembly Constituency	Date(s) of Poll	Date of Counting	Dry Days
1st	Pulwama	32-Pampore	18.09.2024 (Wednesday)	08.10.2024 (Tuesday)	16.09.2024 (6:00 PM) to
		33-Tral			

		34-Pulwama			18.09.2024 (06.00 PM) & 08.10.2024
		35-Rajpora			
	Shopian	36-Zainapora			
		37-Shopian			
	Kulgam	38-D.H. Pora			
		39-Kulgam			
		40-Devsar			
	Anantnag	41-Dooru			
		42-Kokernag (ST)			
		43-Anantnag West			
		44-Anantnag			
		45-Srigufwara- Bijbehara			
		46-Shangus- Anantnag East			
		47-Pahalgam			
	Kishtwar	48-Inderwal			
		49- Kishtwar			
		50-Padder-Nagseni			
	Doda	51-Bhadarwah			
		52-Doda			
		53-Doda West			
	Ramban	54-Ramban			
		55-Banihal			
2 nd	Ganderbal	17-Kangan (ST)	25.09.2024 (Wednesday)	08.10.2024 (Tuesday)	23.09.2024 (6:00 PM) to 25.09.2024 (06.00 PM) & 08.10.2024
		18-Ganderbal			
	Srinagar	19-Hazartbal			
		20-Khanyar			
		21-Habbakadal			
		22-Lal Chowk			
		23-Channapora			
		24-Zadibal			
		25-Eidgah			
		26-Central Shalteng			
	Budgam	27-Budgam			
		28-Beerwah			
		29-Khansahib			
		30-Chrar-i-Sharief			
		31-Chadoora			
	Reasi	56-Gulabgarh (ST)			
		57-Reasi			
		58-Shri Mata Vaishano Devi			
	Rajouri	83-Kalakote- Sunderbani			
		84-Nowshera			
85-Rajouri(ST)					
86-Budhal (ST)					
87-Thannamandi (ST)					
Poonch	88-Surankote (ST)				
	89-Poonch Haveli				
	90-Mendhar (ST)				
3 rd	Kupwara	1-Karnah	01.10.2024 (Tuesday)	08.10.2024 (Tuesday)	29.09.2024 (6:00 PM) to
		2-Trehgam			

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		3-Kupwara			01.10.2024 (06.00 PM) & 08.10.2024
		4-Lolab			
		5-Handwara			
		6-Langate			
	Baramulla	7-Sopore			
		8-Rafiabad			
		9-Uri			
		10-Baramulla			
		11-Gulmarg			
		12-Wagoora-Kreeri			
		13-Pattan			
	Bandipora	14-Sonawari			
		15-Bandipora			
		16-Gurez (ST)			
	Udhampur	59-Udhampur-West			
		60-Udhampur- East			
		61-Chenani			
		62-Ramnagar (SC)			
	Kathua	63-Bani			
		64-Billawar			
		65-Basohli			
		66-Jasrota			
		67-Kathua (SC)			
		68-Hiranagar			
	Samba	69-Ramgarh (SC)			
		70-Samba			
		71-Vijaypur			
	Jammu	72-Bishnah (SC)			
		73-Suchetgarh (SC)			
		74-R.S.Pura-Jammu South			
		75-Bahu			
		76-Jammu East			
		77-Nagrota			
		78-Jammu West			
		79-Jammu North			
		80-Marh (SC)			
		81-Akhnoor (SC)			
		82-Chhamb			

Further, the following shall be strictly observed within the Assembly Constituencies on the Dry Days as per afore-mentioned schedule:

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- The liquor shops/Liquor Bars/Liquor Trades, operating within the respective Assembly Constituencies on the designated dry days shall remain closed as per schedule.
 - No liquor shall be served in Hotels, Restaurants, Clubs and other establishments located within the respective Assembly Constituency on scheduled dry days.
 - Non-Proprietary Clubs, Star Hotels, Restaurants etc. and Hotels functioning under different categories of licenses for possession and supply of liquor shall not be permitted to serve liquor on the scheduled dry days within the respective Assembly Constituencies as per schedule.