

**STATE ELECTION COMMISSION
PUDUCHERRY**

No.1-30(14)/SEC/CE/Dir./2021/ 714

Dated. 20.9.2021

DIRECTION

Sub.: Recording of particulars of identity proof produced by the voters in the Remarks column of Register of Voters (Form 15A / 21A) by the Polling Officer – Regarding.

During the poll day, in some cases, the movement of voter's queue may be rendered slow in case of some polling stations due to the time taken by the second polling officer in filling up the Register of Voters {Form - 15A (panchayats) / 21A (municipal)} as well as preparing the "voters slip". In order to mitigate any such situation in subsequent phases, following directions are issued:-

- (i) Printed blank voters slips must be there with all the polling parties,
 - (ii) Only the last four digits of the EPIC/Identity documents should be entered in the Register of Voters,
 - (iii) Wherever needed (if the voters are more than 1000), additional polling officers should be deputed with the polling party. While deploying additional polling officers, care should be taken to select them on random basis, and
 - (iv) A reserve of polling officers should be kept ready to rush out to any polling station which requires such assistance during poll hours. The Sector Officer should be able to identify such requirement quickly on their visit to polling stations and seek the assistance of the RO in getting the additional hand when needed, from the pool of such reserve polling officers.
2. The District/Regional Election Officers, Returning Officers, and Assistant Returning Officers, shall take note for this direction strict compliance.

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(ROY P THOMAS)
STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER

To

1. The District Election Officer, Puducherry / Karaikal.
2. The Regional Election Officer, Mahe / Yanam.
3. All ROs/AROs of Municipalities / Commune Panchayats.