



Tamil Nadu State Co-operative Societies Election Commission

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To
All State Election Officers

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Sir,

Sub : Election - Conduct of Election of Members of the Boards and Office Bearers of Co-operative Societies in the State – Availability of Ballot Boxes at District Level – Supply of Ballot Boxes – Regarding.

As you all know, the Election to Co-operatives is a non-stop process and the elections to newly formed societies, restored societies and casual vacancies are going on continuously.

However, it is seen that certain officers who are in charge of these statutory operations cast on them, are taking things very lightly without giving the seriousness that they require and creating certain anxious moments which can totally be avoided. In a particular instance in the conduct of election to one Co-operative Society in Erode District, the final list of contesting candidates was published on 20.01.2015. The District Election Officer addresses the Election Commission through E-mail only on 24.01.2015 by 3.00 P.M for the supply of ballot boxes for polling to be held on 27.01.2015. The orders for the supply of the ballot boxes required by him have to be obtained from the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission and the intervening days are public holidays. As a last minute effort the Secretary of the Commission had to take up the matter personally with the Secretary of the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission and get things done after much efforts.

The Commission, therefore, wants to state emphatically that this sort of things should never be the case in future, and instructs that, immediately after the publication of the final list of contesting candidates, arrangements should simultaneously be made to get the required ballot boxes. Any failure on the part of the Election Officer and the District Election Officer to get the ballot boxes and non-conduct of election only on that score will be viewed very seriously and to be followed by appropriate action that it may warrant.

This may be communicated to all District Election Officers with necessary instructions.

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Commissioner**