

Press Note

Chief Electoral Officer, U.T. Chandigarh Reviews Work Of Election Officials Of U.T., Chandigarh.

A meeting under the Chairmanship of Chief Electoral Officer, UT, Chandigarh with the District Election Officer, Electoral Registration Officer and all the Assistant Electoral Registration Officers of Chandigarh Parliamentary Constituency was held on 30-6-2022 in the Election Department, U.T., Chandigarh regarding latest amendments in Election Rules which be implemented from 1st August,2022. This is for the information of general public and Political Parties of Chandigarh Parliamentary Constituency that Election Commission of India has conveyed the amendments made by the Ministry of Law & Justice in the Representation of the People Act, 1950 and the Representation of the People Act, 1951 vide the Election Laws (Amendment) Act 2021 dated 30.12.2021. The amendments will cover the following aspects:-

(i) Use of Aadhaar for electoral registration purpose

On the direction of the Election Commission of India, Aadhaar will be collected from the registered electors of Chandigarh

(ii) Multiple Qualifying dates

From 1.08.2022, there will be 4 qualifying dates i.e. 1st January, 1st April, 1st July and 1st October for enrolment in Electoral Rolls

(iii) Gender neutral provision for Service and Special Electors

(iv) Power to acquire premises for the purpose of conduct of elections,

Further, the updated forms mentioned in the latest instructions will be used in the upcoming Special Summary Revision of Photo Electoral Rolls. The AEROs were also briefed about the amendments in the forms. The amendments regarding forms will be uploaded on the website of CEO Chandigarh i.e. ceochandigarh.gov.in for the information of general public.

AEROs were directed to provide the training regarding the Amendments in Election Rules, IT applications (Garuda App, NVSP, Voter Portal and ERO Net) to the BLOs working under their jurisdiction.

In the end, the the Chief Electoral Officer also reviewed the progress of the disposal of forms and directed all the AEROs to dispose off the Forms in time bound manner.

It was also informed that from now onwards, EPIC will be delivered to the registered electors through Post with the help of Postal Department, U.T., Chandigarh.10