

PANCHAYAT ELECTIONS - 2011

SCHEDULE OF ELECTIONS

GENERAL ELECTIONS TO PANCHAYATS

**ELECTION AUTHORITY
UNDER PANCHAYATI RAJ ACT, 1989
(CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER)
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PRESS NOTE

SUBJECT: SCHEDULE FOR GENERAL ELECTIONS TO PANCHAYATS, 2011

The last General Elections to the Panchayats were held in the year 2000-2001 after a gap of 23 years through a secret ballot as against by hand raising procedure which was followed in the earlier elections. The Panchayats elected in the year 2001 had completed their tenure in May-June, 2006.

DELIMITATION OF PANCHAYATS

The Government had appointed a Delimitation Commission under the chairmanship of Shri A.G. Shahbaz to freshly delimit the number of Panch/Sarpanch Constituencies. The number of Panch and Sarpanch Constituencies determined after the delimitation is given as under:-

Province	No. of Sarpanch Constituencies		No. of Panch Constituencies		No. of Blocks		No. of Electors	
	2001	2011	2001	2011	2001	2011	2001	2011
Kashmir	1472	2164	10469	15959	64	77	1859311	2519024
Jammu	1230	1966	10090	13760	57	66	1942991	2549951
Total	2702	4130	20559	29719	121	143	3802302	5068975

PREPARATION OF ELECTORAL ROLL

The Election Authority has published the computerized Panchayat Electoral Rolls, which have been updated/revised with reference to 01-01-2011 as the qualifying date. The 2001 General Elections to the Panchayats were held on hand-written Electoral Rolls. The comparative electorate figures are given below:-

S.No.	Name of the District	No. of Electors	
		2001	2011
1.	Kupwara	272756	330905
2.	Baramulla	400795	437714
3.	Bandipora*		151089
4.	Ganderbal*	104093	121522
5.	Srinagar		15061
6.	Budgam	296689	335604
7.	Pulwama	235393	263398
8.	Shopian*		134318

S.No.	Name of the District	No. of Electors	
		2001	2011
9.	Kulgam*	425655	193074
10.	Anantnag		401968
11.	Leh	56696	62606
12.	Kargil	67234	71765
	Kashmir Province	1859311	2519024
13.	Kishtwar*	332251	123346
14.	Doda		213375
15.	Ramban*	322540	138690
16.	Reasi*		161132
17.	Udhampur		279075
18.	Kathua	264112	327733
19.	Samba*	537490	176231
20.	Jammu		566723
21.	Rajouri	266153	316527
22.	Poonch	220445	247119
	Jammu Province	1942991	2549951
	Total State	3802302	5068975

* Since eight new Districts were created in 2007, the figures for 2001 are not available.

DETAILED STATISTICS

The detailed statistics i.e., number of blocks/Sarpanch Constituencies /Panch Constituencies in the Panchayat Halqas are given as under:-

S.No.	Name of the District	No. of Blocks	No. of Sarpanch Constituencies	No. of Panch Constituencies
1.	Kupwara	11	356	2716
2.	Baramulla	12	365	2906
3.	Bandipora	5	114	869
4.	Ganderbal	4	103	744
5.	Srinagar	1	10	79
6.	Budgam	8	283	2155
7.	Pulwama	5	186	1350
8.	Shopian	1	103	763
9.	Kulgam	5	159	1060
10.	Anantnag	7	297	2054
11.	Leh	9	93	604
12.	Kargil	9	95	659
13.	Kishtwar	8	134	838
14.	Doda	8	232	1428
15.	Ramban	4	124	832
16.	Reasi	4	147	1014

S.No.	Name of the District	No. of Blocks	No. of Sarpanch Constituencies	No. of Panch Constituencies
17.	Udhampur	7	204	1544
18.	Kathua	8	244	1644
19.	Samba	4	100	726
20.	Jammu	8	297	2166
21.	Rajouri	9	295	2028
22.	Poonch	6	189	1540
	Total	143	4130	29719

SCHEDULE

As per Rule 7 of the Jammu & Kashmir Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996, the Government shall by one or more notifications in the Government Gazette on such date or dates as may be determined in consultation with the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) call upon the Panchayat Halqas to elect Sarpanches and Panches. The Government in Rural Development Department has issued the requisite notification calling upon all the Panchayat Halqas in the State to elect Sarpanches and Panches vide its SRO No.78 dated 14th March, 2011.

As per Rule 8 of the Jammu & Kashmir Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996, as soon as the notification calling upon the Panchayat Halqas to elect Sarpanches and Panches is issued, the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) is required to issue a detailed notification fixing the schedule of the election.

The Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) after taking into account all the relevant factors, has finalized the schedule for conducting the General Election to the Panchayats. Keeping in view the availability vis-à-vis the requirement of Government Functionaries as well as Security Forces, the General Elections to Panchayats is scheduled to be held over 16 phases.

In the process of finalizing the election schedule, the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) has taken into account the schedules of school examinations, to avoid holding elections during the examination period. Besides, polling stations are mostly located in school buildings. Hence, the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) had to factor in the examination schedules before finalizing the poll dates. In addition, various holidays and festivals during the months of April, May and June, harvest season in certain parts of the State and the inputs taken from the India Meteorological Department in respect of the snow bound areas have also been taken into account.

A summary of the schedule is given as under:-

Name of Block	Phase	Date of issuance of Gazette notification	Last Date for making nomination	Date of scrutiny	Last date for withdrawal of candidature	Date of poll where ever necessary and date of counting
DISTRICT KUPWARA						
Kupwara	I	18-03-2011	25-03-2011	26-03-2011	28-03-2011	13-04-2011
Wavoora	II	22-03-2011	29-03-2011	30-03-2011	01-04-2011	17-04-2011
Sogam	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Ramhal	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Rajwara	V	01-04-2011	08-04-2011	09-04-2011	13-04-2011	30-04-2011
Langate	VI	05-04-2011	13-04-2011	15-04-2011	18-04-2011	04-05-2011
Kralpora	VII	09-04-2011	18-04-2011	19-04-2011	21-04-2011	08-05-2011
Trehgam	VIII	15-04-2011	23-04-2011	25-04-2011	27-04-2011	12-05-2011
Tangdhar	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
Teetwal	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Kalaroos	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
DISTRICT BARAMULLA						
Uri	II	22-03-2011	29-03-2011	30-03-2011	01-04-2011	17-04-2011
Boniyar	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Rohama	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Wagoora	V	01-04-2011	08-04-2011	09-04-2011	13-04-2011	30-04-2011
Tangmarg	VI	05-04-2011	13-04-2011	15-04-2011	18-04-2011	04-05-2011
Kunzer	VII	09-04-2011	18-04-2011	19-04-2011	21-04-2011	08-05-2011
Rafiabad	VIII	15-04-2011	23-04-2011	25-04-2011	27-04-2011	12-05-2011
Singhpora	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
Pattan	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Zaingeer	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Baramulla	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
Sopore	XIII	04-05-2011	11-05-2011	12-05-2011	14-05-2011	02-06-2011
DISTRICT BANDIPORA						
Sumbal	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
Hajin	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Bandipora	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Gurez	XIII	04-05-2011	11-05-2011	12-05-2011	14-05-2011	02-06-2011
Tulail	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
DISTRICT GANDERBAL						
Kangan	I	18-03-2011	25-03-2011	26-03-2011	28-03-2011	13-04-2011
Lar	II	22-03-2011	29-03-2011	30-03-2011	01-04-2011	17-04-2011
Ganderbal	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Wakura	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
DISTRICT SRINAGAR						
Srinagar	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
DISTRICT BUDGAM						
Budgam	I	18-03-2011	25-03-2011	26-03-2011	28-03-2011	13-04-2011
Nagam	II	22-03-2011	29-03-2011	30-03-2011	01-04-2011	17-04-2011
Chadoora	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Beerwah	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Khansahib	V	01-04-2011	08-04-2011	09-04-2011	13-04-2011	30-04-2011
Khag	VI	05-04-2011	13-04-2011	15-04-2011	18-04-2011	04-05-2011
Narbal	VII	09-04-2011	18-04-2011	19-04-2011	21-04-2011	08-05-2011
B.K.Pora	VIII	15-04-2011	23-04-2011	25-04-2011	27-04-2011	12-05-2011

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DISTRICT PULWAMA						
Keller (Main Block)	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Pulwama	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Kakapora	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
Tral	XIII	04-05-2011	11-05-2011	12-05-2011	14-05-2011	02-06-2011
Pampore	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
DISTRICT SHOPIAN						
Shopian	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
Keller Partly (Main block in Pulwama District)	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
DISTRICT KULGAM						
Quimoh (Main Block)	I	18-03-2011	25-03-2011	26-03-2011	28-03-2011	13-04-2011
Pahloo	II	22-03-2011	29-03-2011	30-03-2011	01-04-2011	17-04-2011
Kulgam	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Devsar	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
D.H.Pora	V	01-04-2011	08-04-2011	09-04-2011	13-04-2011	30-04-2011
DISTRICT ANANTNAG						
Qaimooh Partly (Main block in District Kulgam)	I	18-03-2011	25-03-2011	26-03-2011	28-03-2011	13-04-2011
Breng	VI	05-04-2011	13-04-2011	15-04-2011	18-04-2011	04-05-2011
Shangus	VII	09-04-2011	18-04-2011	19-04-2011	21-04-2011	08-05-2011
Shahabad	VIII	15-04-2011	23-04-2011	25-04-2011	27-04-2011	12-05-2011
Khoveripora	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
Dachnipora	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Qazigund	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Achabal	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
DISTRICT LEH						
Leh	XIII	04-05-2011	11-05-2011	12-05-2011	14-05-2011	02-06-2011
Chuchot	XIII	04-05-2011	11-05-2011	12-05-2011	14-05-2011	02-06-2011
Nobra	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Panamic	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Nyoma	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Durbuk	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Kahru	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Khaltsi	XVI	25-05-2011	01-06-2011	02-06-2011	04-06-2011	18-06-2011
Suspol	XVI	25-05-2011	01-06-2011	02-06-2011	04-06-2011	18-06-2011
DISTRICT KARGIL						
Taisura	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Drass	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Kargil	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
G.M.Pore (Trespone)	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Sankoo	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Shaker Chiktan	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Zanskar	XVI	25-05-2011	01-06-2011	02-06-2011	04-06-2011	18-06-2011
Lungnuk	XVI	25-05-2011	01-06-2011	02-06-2011	04-06-2011	18-06-2011
Shargole	XVI	25-05-2011	01-06-2011	02-06-2011	04-06-2011	18-06-2011

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DISTRICT KISHTWAR						
Kishtwar	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
Inderwal	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Drabshalla	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Paddar	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
Nagseni	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
Marwah	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Warwan	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Dachan	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
DISTRICT DODA						
Assar	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Marmat	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Ghat Doda	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
Bhagwah	XIII	04-05-2011	11-05-2011	12-05-2011	14-05-2011	02-06-2011
Gundana	XIII	04-05-2011	11-05-2011	12-05-2011	14-05-2011	02-06-2011
Thathri	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
Bhallesa	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
Bhaderwah	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
DISTRICT RAMBAN						
Ramban	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
Banihal	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Ramsoo	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Gool	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
DISTRICT REASI						
Pouni	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Reasi	V	01-04-2011	08-04-2011	09-04-2011	13-04-2011	30-04-2011
Mahore	VI	05-04-2011	13-04-2011	15-04-2011	18-04-2011	04-05-2011
Arnas	VII	09-04-2011	18-04-2011	19-04-2011	21-04-2011	08-05-2011
DISTRICT UDHAMPUR						
Udhampur	I	18-03-2011	25-03-2011	26-03-2011	28-03-2011	13-04-2011
Chanani	II	22-03-2011	29-03-2011	30-03-2011	01-04-2011	17-04-2011
Dudu Basantgarh	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Ramnagar	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Ghordi	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Panchari	V	01-04-2011	08-04-2011	09-04-2011	13-04-2011	30-04-2011
Majalta	VI	05-04-2011	13-04-2011	15-04-2011	18-04-2011	04-05-2011
DISTRICT KATHUA						
Lohai Malhar	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Bani	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Duggan	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Basohli	V	01-04-2011	08-04-2011	09-04-2011	13-04-2011	30-04-2011
Billawar	VI	05-04-2011	13-04-2011	15-04-2011	18-04-2011	04-05-2011
Hiranagar	VII	09-04-2011	18-04-2011	19-04-2011	21-04-2011	08-05-2011
Barnoti	VIII	15-04-2011	23-04-2011	25-04-2011	27-04-2011	12-05-2011
Kathua	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
DISTRICT SAMBA						
Samba	I	18-03-2011	25-03-2011	26-03-2011	28-03-2011	13-04-2011
Vijaypur	II	22-03-2011	29-03-2011	30-03-2011	01-04-2011	17-04-2011
Purmandal	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Ghagwal	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011

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DISTRICT JAMMU						
Bishnah	I	18-03-2011	25-03-2011	26-03-2011	28-03-2011	13-04-2011
R.S.Pura	II	22-03-2011	29-03-2011	30-03-2011	01-04-2011	17-04-2011
Satwari	III	25-03-2011	01-04-2011	02-04-2011	05-04-2011	21-04-2011
Marh	IV	29-03-2011	05-04-2011	06-04-2011	08-04-2011	25-04-2011
Bhalwal	V	01-04-2011	08-04-2011	09-04-2011	13-04-2011	30-04-2011
Dansal	VI	05-04-2011	13-04-2011	15-04-2011	18-04-2011	04-05-2011
Akhnoor	VII	09-04-2011	18-04-2011	19-04-2011	21-04-2011	08-05-2011
Khour	VIII	15-04-2011	23-04-2011	25-04-2011	27-04-2011	12-05-2011
DISTRICT RAJOURI						
Sunderbani	VIII	15-04-2011	23-04-2011	25-04-2011	27-04-2011	12-05-2011
Doongi	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
Nowshera	IX	19-04-2011	26-04-2011	27-04-2011	29-04-2011	16-05-2011
Manjakote	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Rajouri	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Thanamandi	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
Kalakote	XIV	09-05-2011	16-05-2011	18-05-2011	20-05-2011	06-06-2011
Darhal	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
Budhal	XV	13-05-2011	20-05-2011	21-05-2011	23-05-2011	11-06-2011
DISTRICT POONCH						
Balakote	X	23-04-2011	30-04-2011	02-05-2011	04-05-2011	21-05-2011
Surankote	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Bafliaz	XI	27-04-2011	04-05-2011	05-05-2011	07-05-2011	25-05-2011
Mandi	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
Poonch	XII	30-04-2011	07-05-2011	09-05-2011	11-05-2011	29-05-2011
Mendhar	XIII	04-05-2011	11-05-2011	12-05-2011	14-05-2011	02-06-2011

ELECTORS' PHOTO IDENTITY CARDS (EPIC)/ALTERNATE DOCUMENTS

The Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) has decided that compulsory identification of voters will be made in the General Election to the Panchayats. Electors who have already been provided with EPIC shall be identified through EPIC only. However the Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) has also notified a list of 19 alternative documents which can also be used for the purpose of identification, by the electors who are yet to be provided EPICs.

BALLOT BOXES

Ballot boxes would be used during the forthcoming General Elections to the Panchayats. Approximately 14000 ballot boxes will be required for the smooth conduct of the General Election to the Panchayats. Since approximately **6000 ballot** boxes are already available within the State, approximately **8000 ballot boxes** will be taken on hire from the neighbouring State of Punjab

@ Rs.10/- per day per ballot box. However the final figures of ballot boxes can undergo change keeping in view the number of likely contestants.

MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT

Consequent on the announcement of the Schedule for the conduct of General Election to the Panchayats through this Press Note, the **Model Code of Conduct** for the Guidance of Political Parties and Candidates has come into operation with immediate effect from **today itself** in the entire State. This will be applicable to all the political parties in the State including the party in power even though the elections are being held on Non-Party basis. The Election Authority therefore calls upon all the political parties, candidates and the government functionaries to strictly adhere to the Model Code of Conduct, which is a unique document, evolved with the consensus of political parties in the State.

AFFIDAVITS

All the candidates will be required to file **two** affidavits alongwith their nomination papers. The affidavits will include information on the criminal antecedents of the candidate, assets (including the moveable and immoveable properties of the candidates, spouse and dependents), liabilities of the candidate and his/her educational qualifications. The filling of the affidavit is mandatory and its non-filling will result in the rejection of the nomination paper by the Returning Officer.

As part of the efforts of the Election Authority to disseminate the information contained in the affidavits to the citizens at the earliest, instructions have been issued to the Returning Officers to display the copies of these affidavits on notice-board and to make available, on demand, the copies of the affidavits freely to other candidates, general public, media, etc. on the very day of filing of affidavits by a candidate. The copies of these affidavits will also be available in a compiled form with the District Panchayat Election Officer concerned. Any individual or any civil society organization desirous of obtaining this compiled information can apply to the District Panchayat Election Officer with a nominal payment towards copying charges.

The Election Authority appeals to the citizens, the media and all the interested parties to cooperate with the election authorities for the widest dissemination of this information as contemplated in the directions of the Courts and the Election Authority.

ACCOUNTS OF CANDIDATES

It is mandatory under the Jammu & Kashmir Panchayati Raj Act, 1989 and Jammu & Kashmir Panchayati Raj Rules, 1996 for every contesting candidate to maintain day-to-day expenditure record in the prescribed register which will be supplied to the contesting candidate in the form of **‘Expenditure Register’** from the date of nomination to the date of declaration of result. The Election Authority vide its Notification dated 24th November, 2010, has fixed the limits of expenditure for different categories of candidates to be incurred by them as under:-

Sarpanch	-	Rs.6000/-
Panch	-	Rs.3000/-

Every contesting candidate has to submit true expenditure account in the said register to the District Panchayat Election Officer (Deputy Commissioner), within 30 days of the announcement of the results.

COUNTING OF VOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS

The counting of votes shall be taken up immediately after the process of polling is over and the results shall be announced immediately thereafter.

CONSTITUTION OF PANCHAYATS

The Election Authority (Chief Electoral Officer, J&K) has decided to compile and notify the names of all the Sarpanches and the Panches duly elected in accordance with the provisions of the J&K Panchayati Raj act, 1989 by or before 30th June, 2011. Upon the issuance of such notification, the Halqa Panchayats shall be deemed to have been duly constituted.
