

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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No. ECI/PN/ 17/2009-MCPS

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PRESS NOTE

Subject: Bye-Elections to the Legislative Assembly of Jammu & Kashmir from 18-Hazratbal, 24-Sonawar and 54-Bhaderwah Assembly Constituencies.

Following 3 (three) casual vacancies have occurred in the Legislative Assembly of Jammu & Kashmir due to resignation of members elected from those constituencies:-

Sl.No	No & Name of Assembly Constituency	Name of the Elected member	Date of vacancy	Cause of vacancy
1	18-Hazratbal	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	07-01-2009	Resignation
2	24-Sonawar	Dr. Farooq Abdullah	26-02-2009	Resignation
3	54-Bhaderwah	Mr. Ghulam Nabi Azad	19-02-2009	Resignation

To fill the above said casual vacancies, the Election Commission of India has decided to hold bye-elections from the said Assembly Constituencies, following the same schedule as for the relevant Parliamentary Constituency in the State of Jammu & Kashmir as below:-

(a) 18-Hazratbal & 24-Sonawar Assembly Constituencies:

1	Issue of Notification	: 11-04-2009 (Saturday)
2	Last date for making nominations	: 18-04-2009 (Saturday)
3	Scrutiny of nominations	: 20-04-2009 (Monday)
4	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	: 22-04-2009 (Wednesday)
5	Date of Poll	: 07-05-2009 (Thursday)
6	Date of Counting	: 16-05-2009 (Saturday)
7	Date before which bye-election shall be completed	: 28-05-2009 (Thursday)

Hours of poll shall be from 7.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M.

(b) 54-Bhaderwah Assembly Constituency:

1	Issue of Notification	: 28-03-2009 (Saturday)
2	Last date for making nominations	: 04-04-2009 (Saturday)
3	Scrutiny of nominations	: 06-04-2009 (Monday)
4	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	: 08-04-2009 (Wednesday)
5	Date of Poll	: 23-04-2009 (Thursday)
6	Date of Counting	: 16-05-2009 (Saturday)
7	Date before which bye-election shall be completed	: 28-05-2009 (Thursday)

Hours of poll shall be from 7.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M.

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SECRETARY