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Bye-elections to 57-Jubarajnagar Assembly Constituency

DM takes measure under Section 144 for peaceful voting

Voting will be held on June 23, 2022 from 7am till 5pm in the bye-elections of 57-Jubarajnagar Assembly Constituency. The District Magistrate of North Tripura district has taken some steps under section 144 of the CRPC in order to maintain peace, harmony and law and order for free and peaceful voting as per the guidelines of the Election Commission of India.

The District Magistrate has said in the order that five or more persons could not assemble at any place of 57-Jubarajnagar Assembly Constituency with or without sticks, iron rods, bamboo, stones etc. In 57-Jubarajnagar Assembly Constituency area, public meetings, processions, gatherings with or without loud instruments cannot be held. The order states that two or more bikes or cars cannot run together without permission. Door to door campaigning can be done in peaceful manner according to the guidelines of the Election Commission of India. However, in this case, five or more persons including the candidate cannot go together. Otherwise, that campaign will be considerate as illegal gathering. The candidate or the person accompanying the candidate during the campaign shall not provide any largesse in cash or kind to the voter and shall not intimidate or threaten the voter. To ensure the rest and safety of the citizens, door to door campaigning will not be allowed after 10 p.m. This order of the District Magistrate will come into force from today 5pm of June 21 and will remain in force until further notice.

The District Magistrate said in the order that poll workers, CRPF or police personnel engaged in polling, their vehicles, media personnel with passes, drivers and assistants and election vehicles would be excluded from the order. The order provides exemptions for voters who come on foot or in private vehicles with voter ID cards and who stand in the polling station in a disciplined manner. Outside the 200-meter area of the polling station, there is an exemption for the vehicles of the family members of the voters who come to vote only with the identity card issued by the Election Commission. In case of government employees, police, CAPF or the armed forces, if they gather at educational institutions during the day for educational work, routine work of government or private office, ordinary passengers will be exempted. In case of gatherings for general worship at religious places, there are exemptions for social ceremonies such as weddings, birthday, etc. However, no cash or items may be distributed at such events. Exemptions in this order are also for vehicles of the Returning Officer, approved candidates or vehicles allowed by the appropriate election authority. The District Magistrates' order said that legal action would be taken against those who violate the order.
