



भारत निर्वाचन आयोग  
Election Commission of India

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**PRESS NOTE**

**Subject: Biennial election to the Bihar Legislative Council from 02 Graduates' and 02 Teachers' Constituencies and bye election to the Bihar Legislative Council from Saran Teachers' Constituency-reg.**

The term of office of 04 members of the Bihar Legislative Council from 02 Graduates' and 02 Teachers' Constituencies are expiring on 08<sup>th</sup> May, 2023 due to retirement of the sitting members as detailed below:-

Bihar			
Sl. No.	Name of Constituency	Name of the Member	Date of retirement
i.	Saran Graduates' Constituency	Virendra Narayan Yadav	08.05.2023
ii.	Gaya Graduates' Constituency	Awadhesh Narain Singh	
iii.	Gaya Teachers' Constituency	Sanjeeva Shyam Singh	
iv.	Koshi Teachers' Constituency	Sanjeev Kumar Singh	

2. Also, a casual vacancy has occurred in the Bihar Legislative Council as per the details below:-

S. No.	Name of Member	Name of Constituency	Term upto	Cause of vacancy	Date of Vacancy
1	Sh. Kedar Nath Pandey	Saran Teachers' Constituency	16.11.2026	Death	24.10.2022

3. The Commission has decided to conduct biennial elections to the Bihar Legislative Council from 02 Graduates' and 02 Teachers' Constituencies and bye election to the Bihar Legislative Council from Saran Teachers' Constituency in accordance with the following programme:-

S. No.	Events	Dates
1.	Issue of Notification	06 <sup>th</sup> March, 2023 (Monday)
2.	Last Date of making nominations	13 <sup>th</sup> March, 2023 (Monday)
3.	Scrutiny of nominations	14 <sup>th</sup> March, 2023 (Tuesday)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	16 <sup>th</sup> March, 2023 (Thursday)
5.	Date of Poll	<b>31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023 (Friday)</b>
6.	Hours of Poll	08:00 am to 04:00 pm
7.	Counting of Votes	05 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023 (Wednesday)
8.	Date before which election shall be completed	11 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023 (Tuesday)

4. Broad Guidelines of Covid-19 issued by ECI as contained in para 33 of Press Note, dated 03.11.2022, available at link <https://eci.gov.in/files/file/14534-general-election-to-legislative-assembly-of-gujarat-2022-reg/> to be followed, wherever applicable, during entire election process by all persons.

5. The Model Code of Conduct concerning these elections will come into force with immediate effect in the concerned Constituencies. Please see the details on Commission's website under the link: <https://eci.gov.in/files/file/4070-biennial-bye-elections-to-the-legislative-councils-from-council-constituencies-by-graduates%E2%80%99-and-teachers%E2%80%99-and-local-authorities%E2%80%99-constituencies-%E2%80%93-mcc-instructions-%E2%80%93-regarding/>

6. The Chief Secretary of Bihar is being directed to depute a senior officer from the State to ensure that the extant instructions regarding COVID-19 containment measures are complied with while making arrangements for conducting the elections.

**(PRAFULL AWASTHI)  
UNDER SECRETARY**