

मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी राजस्थान



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राज्य के समस्त माध्यमिक / उच्च माध्यमिक राजकीय एवं निजी विद्यालयों में स्कूल निर्वाचन साक्षरता क्लब (ईएलसी) के सुदृढ़ीकरण एवं सफल संचालन हेतु तथा अध्ययनरत भावी मतदाताओं में निर्वाचन साक्षरता एवं मतदाता जागरूकता का प्रभावी उद्बोधन किये जाने के उद्देश्य से भारत निर्वाचन आयोग एवं शिक्षा मंत्रालय — भारत सरकार द्वारा पूर्व में निष्पादित समझौता ज्ञापन (Memorandum of Understanding - MoU) की संकल्पना के अनुरूप राजस्थान में दिनांक 25.08.2025 (सोमवार) को निर्वाचन विभाग तथा स्कूल शिक्षा एवं भाषा विभाग द्वारा संयुक्त रूप से निष्पादित MoU की प्रति इस परिपत्र के साथ संलग्न 'परिशिष्ट — अ' के अनुसार समस्त स्तर पर अग्रिम आवश्यक अनुपालनात्मक कार्यवाही सुनिश्चित किये जाने हेतु प्रसारित की जाती है।

संलग्नक -

उपरोक्तानुसार।

(कृष्ण कुणाल) शासन सचिव, स्कूल शिक्षा एवं भाषा विभाग राजस्थान, जयपुर। (नवीन महाजन) मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी एवं पदेन प्रमुख शासन सचिव, निर्वाचन विभाग—राजस्थान।

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- 1. निजी सचिव, मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी, राजस्थान, जयपुर।
- 2. निजी सचिव, शासन सचिव, स्कूल शिक्षा, राजस्थान, जयपुर।
- निजी सचिव, राज्य परियोजना निदेशक, समग्र शिक्षा, रास्कूलिशप—जयपुर।
- 4. निजी सचिव, निदेशक, माध्यमिक शिक्षा, राजस्थान, बीकानेर।
- स्वीप प्रभारी अधिकारी, निर्वाचन विभाग जयपुर।
- 6. संयुक्त मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी—IT, निर्वाचन विभाग, जयपुर। (उक्त परिपत्र को विभागीय वेबसाइट की स्वीप – ईएलसी रिपॉजिटरी में अपलोड कराने हेतू)।
- 7. कार्यालयाध्यक्ष राजस्थान स्टेट ओपन स्कूल जयपुर ; राजस्थान राज्य पाठ्यपुस्तक मंडल जयपुर ; राजस्थान राज्य शैक्षिक अनुसंधान एवं प्रशिक्षण परिषद् उदयपुर ; राजस्थान माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड अजमेर ; राज्य शैक्षिक प्रबंधन एवं प्रशिक्षण संस्थान जयपुर।
- जिला निर्वाचन अधिकारी (कलक्टर), समस्त जिले,राजस्थान।
- 9. जिला स्वीप नोडल अधिकारी (CEO-ZP), समस्त जिले,राजस्थान।
- 10. मुख्य जिला शिक्षा अधिकारी एवं पदेन जिला स्कूल ईएलसी नोडल अधिकारी,समस्त जिले।
- 11. प्रधानाचार्य जिला शिक्षा एवं प्रशिक्षण संस्थान, समस्त जिले।
- 12. जिला स्वीप कोऑर्डिनेटर, समस्त जिले।
- 13. निर्वाचक रजिस्ट्रीकरण अधिकारी / सब डिविजनल मजिस्ट्रेट, समस्त।
- 14. मुख्य ब्लॉक शिक्षा अधिकारी एवं पदेन ब्लॉक स्कूल ईएलसी नोडल अधिकारी,समस्त ब्लॉक।
- 15. संस्थाप्रधान / स्कूल ईएलसी प्रभारी, राजकीय एवं निजी माध्यमिक / उच्च माध्यमिक विद्यालय, समस्त।
- 16. BLO/ Supervisor, समस्त।
- 17. रक्षित पत्रावली

संयुक्त मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी राजस्थान, जयपुर



Electoral Literacy : Stronger Democracy



No Voter to be Left Behind

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter to be referred to as "MOU") is signed on this dated 21st of August, 2025 (Thursday) at Jaipur.

BETWEEN

The Election Department - Rajasthan, having its registered office at Secretariat, Jaipur

AND

The Department of School Education and Language (DoSE&L) - Rajasthan, having its registered office at Secretariat - Jaipur, including its autonomous/ statutory bodies as:

- Directorate of School Education (Elementary & Secondary) Bikaner,
- Rajasthan Council of School Education (RCScE) Jaipur,
- Rajasthan State Open School (RSOS) Jaipur,
- Rajasthan State Textbook Board (RSTB) Jaipur,
- Rajasthan State Council of Educational Research and Training (RSCERT) -Udaipur; and, District Institutes of Education and Training (DIETs),
- Rajasthan Board of Secondary Education (RBSE) Ajmer; and
- State Institute of Educational Management and Training (SIEMAT) Jaipur, on the Other Part

And shall hereafter be collectively known as "Partners".

WHEREAS:

'Election Department - Rajasthan'is governed by 'Election Commission of India (ECI)'. The ECI operates under the powers granted by Article 324 of the Constitution and subsequently enacted Representation of the People Act - 1951 as well consecutive amendments thereof. The Constitutional body of ECI is mandated with the 'superintendence, direction and control' of the conduct of elections to the Parliament and every State Legislature and preparation and revision of electoral rolls;

Further, ECI has been pursuing the ideals of inclusive & accessible elections, and informed & ethical voting, and striving to address the issues of youth apathy (national enrolment rate in 18-19-year age cohort is less than 14% and also the same only 3.39% as on January, 2025 according to projected population in Rajasthan and urban apathy (voter turnout in cities is significantly lower than the average national turnout and metropolitan cities have been amongst the least voter turnout areas of the country) by making concerted efforts and forging suitable partnerships;

AND:

WHEREAS, the Department of School Education & Language, Rajasthan is responsible for ensuring school education in the state through universal access to quality education which is fundamental for developing an equitable and just society, promoting national development, scientific advancement of human resources, national integration, and preservation of democratic spirit of nation. The DoSE&L works for holistic development of students through its autonomous/ statutory bodies as Directorate - Elementary & Secondary Education, RCScE, RBSE, RSOS, RSCERT& DIET's, RSTB and SIEMAT in the state.

AND:

WHEREAS, ECI is implementing its flagship programme called "Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation" (hereinafter to be referred to as 'SVEEP') that aims at universal and enlightened participation of all eligible citizens in elections inter alia by addressing urban and youth apathy by spreading voter awareness and promoting voter literacy in India. It is a multi-intervention programme that reaches out through different modes and media to educate citizens, electors, existing voters and young as well future voters about the electoral process in order to increase their awareness and promote their informed participation.

Further, School Electoral Literacy Clubs (ELCs) is one of the initiatives under SVEEP by the ECI to engage school students in the electoral process and promote voter participation. These clubs aim to educate young minds of future voters on their constitutional rights, responsibilities, and the mechanics of the electoral system.

AND:

WHEREAS, 'Continuous Electoral and Democracy Education'(CEDE) is an important component of SVEEP strategy which needs to be formalized and grounded in the school education system in order to motivate future voters for greater electoral participation that would enable them to become responsible citizens who take pride in being a part of our democratic system in an informed manner with a sense of duty and purpose to strengthen our democracy by doing vote ethically;

AND:

WHEREAS, the **National Education Policy-2020** (hereinafter to be referred to as 'NEP') is a transformative initiative to usher India to prepare itself to meet the challenging demands of a 21st Century knowledge society, which focuses on making education more holistic, flexible, multidisciplinary, and aligned with the need of the time.

AND:

WHEREAS, the National Curriculum Framework (hereinafter to be referred to as 'NCF") being developed by NCERT, Autonomous Body under the 'DoSE&L - Ministry of Education, Govt. of India' is one of the key components of NEP that enables and energizes this transformation, informed by the approach of NEP. The revision of NCF provides an opportunity for the ECI to integrate voter education and electoral literacy in the curricular framework of various grades of schools;

AND:

WHEREAS, the ECI carries out the SVEEP programme in collaboration with government departments and partner agencies at various levels who have the complementary strength and objectives; for achieving optimal and sustainable outcomes; electoral literacy needs to become a formal part of the school education system in form of a structured, curricular, co-curricular and extracurricular activities and having due linkages with accreditation and assessment systems;

AND:

WHEREAS, both Partners have agreed to enter into an MoU to collaborate in the endeavours to attract the young minds, enrolled in **classes** 6th **onwards to 12th** towards understanding the democratic electoral process, teach them the specific details of constitutional and legal foundations of our electoral system, the core values and processes of inclusive, accessible and ethical elections and the range of election technologies as a means of empowering the citizen through ease of registration and ease of participation as a voter, besides also strengthening the school campus in a systematic manner for facilitating registration of newly eligible voters;

AND:



WHEREAS, DoSE&L is also in a position to impart electoral literacy in and facilitate the registration of young voters.

THEREFORE:

Under this MoU, the DoSE&L & the Partners, as the case may be, will:

- 1. Develop an institutional framework for inculcating a sense of ownership amongst all stake holders of State Department of School Education as 'Directorate Elementary & Secondary Education', RCScE, RBSE, RSCERT DIET's, RSOS, SIEMAT and RSTB for quality electoral literacy in all schools as well establishment of Electoral Literacy Clubs (ELCs) therein for new/ future voters; and other structured curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities for imparting voter awareness amongst students with a view to making them fully conversant with the electoral system of the country and inculcate in them the willingness to register as voters and participate in every election in a passionate, informed and ethical manner;
- 2. Nominate 'ELC Nodal Officer(s)' in all stake holder bodies for better coordination between DoSE&L and Election Department as and when requisite.
- 3. Include month wise ELC activities in official SHIVIRA Calendar of the session as prescribed by the Department of School Education in collaboration with the Election Department; and, execute the same in true letter and spirit as scheduled and within stipulated time period.
- 4. Integrate voter education and electoral literacy in a systematic manner in the curriculum of classes 6th onwards to 12th and to the extent of credit & hours suitable for different standards for all schools of the state as per national curriculum framework (NCF) developed by National Council of Educational Research & Training (NCERT);
- 5. Introduce/ update textbooks of classes 6th 12th as per advice of or revised by the NCERT to incorporate electoral literacy in order to 'catch the future voters young' and prepare them in schools for their first vote; democratic values and ethos to be ingrained at formative age; and, contextualize electoral literacy content in these books as per academic need of and effectiveness in state.
- 6. Develop electoral literacy content and include the same in the curriculum prescribed for students enrolled in secondary classes under 'RSOS'; and ensure life-long learning in context of electoral literacy as an integrated component of education for their holistic development.
- 7. Create electoral literacy friendly environment in the schools as display of ELC logo and Pledge to Vote (Hindi/ English), establishment of Democracy Wall, Voter Education Election Reading Corner in library, display of slogans in context of 'Right to Vote', as prescribed by the ECI or the Election Department of state so 'Right to Vote', as prescribed by the Children With Special Needs (CWSN) that the enrolled students, especially the Children With Special Needs (CWSN) ones get exposure to become informed voters.



- 8. Designate and brand one of the rooms (as per availability) in every secondary/ senior secondary school as the 'Democracy Room' for displaying SVEEP material on regular basis and conducting CEDE activities around the year;
- 9. Disseminate communication material on electoral literacy prepared in consultation with the Election Department through various forms of media appropriate for school students; and, providing ELC Repository online for easy access of all.
- 10. Constitute 'Electoral Literacy Club Executive Committees (ELC-EC's)' in all Government and Private Secondary/ Senior Secondary Schools of state; and, Identify 'Best performing ELC of the session' (complying with the all prescribed directions, issued by state and imparting Electoral Literacy in it's true letter & spirit) as 'Model/ Lead ELC' (separately for government and private schools in the jurisdiction) at block level and consecutively at district level in collaboration with Election Department.
- 11. Provide requisite resources for schools in terms of imparting electoral literacy therein effectively; and, also to provide necessary support at field level by state/district/block/ cluster level officers.
- 12. Orient/ train teachers in imparting electoral literacy effectively in the classrooms, especially using modern way of teaching i.e. digital use of Information and Communication Technology;
- 13. Conduct online/ offline/ blended training of nominated ELC Nodal Officers, ELC Nodal Teachers/ Heads as well Head(s) of Institution for organising/ executing ELC activities effectively and ensure to elect/ nominate as well to guide ELC-EC Chairman, Vice Chairman & members in schools to lead the ELC activities;
- 14. Mainstream voter education content in teaching, learning and assessment; and voter education and electoral literacy in teachers' training as well refresher courses, whether in online mode or in-person;
- 15. Organise mobilisation campaigns and participatory activities in schools, administer a pledge to vote by students, organising mock polls, EVM-VVPAT demonstrations, information about ECI mobile apps, conduct competitions for electoral education and outreach;
- 16. Share ELC activities in form of Photo, Reels, short videos on social media for wider electoral awareness in society; and, store ELC Media for future references;
- 17. Create an institutional framework for using anonymised & aggregated UDISE (Unified District Information System for Education), and other databases of students as available on Shala Darpan and Private School Portal who have attained 17+ years of age with due regard to data privacy and protection with a view to facilitating online voter registration of eligible and prospective students after every qualifying date (1st January, 1st April, 1st July and 1st October of every calendar year) and during the Annual Summary Revision of Electoral Rolls (in the last quarter of every calendar year) using voter registration portals and mobile apps of ECI; evolve a robust mechanism to fulfil the aspirational goal of ECI to handover the Voter ID card to every student of the state immediately after their attaining the age of 18 years;

- 18. Organise intensive SVEEP ELC activities/ Pre-NVD activities every year on the occasion of National Voters' Day i.e. 25th January; and undertake voter awareness drive by students during the election time;
- 19. Introduce electoral literacy awareness programmes in all schools and to regularly monitor the electoral literacy programme held therein at state, district, block, cluster levels, among other things, to meet its objectives i.e. inculcating practices of ethical voting in the students, right from their formative days onwards and ensuring free, fair & inducement-free ethical elections in young minds and to ensure the non-political and non-partisan character of the collaboration;
- 20. Ensuring end-to-end accessibility of every school building which is used as a polling station during elections, by providing standard ramps (1:10 gradient slope); an adequate number of separate male and female toilets and accessible toilets; and proper lighting/ electricity.

That the Election Department will:

- Provide information, inputs, and assistance in defining content to be included in the curricular framework so that electoral literacy becomes an integral part of the school education system.
- 2) Identify co-curricular and extra-curricular content based on activities, which could also be suitably developed in consultation with DoSE&L;
- 3) Prepare online content for training and conduct training of master trainers in the domain of SVEEP and outreach activities for capacity building of teachers/ field functionaries in collaboration with DoSE&L;
- 4) Share prototype IEC material for SVEEP Electoral Literacy/ Voter Awareness as well regular update of the same for wider dissemination through DoSE&L as well Election Department infrastructure, networks and online platforms;
- 5) Design and develop systemized online mechanism for strengthening ELCs in all schools of state as well effective monitoring thereof at various levels by prescribing roles and responsibility specifically.
- 6) State level Officers, District Election Officers (DEOs), District SVEEP OIC's, District SVEEP Coordinators, Electoral Registration Officers (EROs), D-AERO's, Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and BLO Supervisors shall coordinate with the School Education Administration at respective levels for efficient execution of the partnership and take part in voter education and voter registration activities/ events.
- 7) Recognize and felicitate the officer(s), performing at optimum at various levels in terms of School ELC strengthening in the respective jurisdiction every year on the occasion of National Voters' Day.

THAT BOTH THE PARTNERS WILL:

- 1. Operationalize the provisions of this MoU in every School affiliated to RBSE, CBSE and ICSE as well for the students enrolled in RSOS by making it an integral part of the routine functioning of their relevant authorities and personnel and issue necessary directions to all the stakeholders for making it an integral part of the routine functioning of their relevant authorities and personnel.
- 2. Execute effective monitoring at State/ District/ Block/ field level to strengthen ELCs in state; and, also execute all the tasks, prescribed/ assigned in terms of SVEEP - ELCs (School) in mutual understanding and collaboration; share relevant as well updated real time information; and, provide requisite support as and when needed.
- 3. Report and document action taken and lessons learnt under the MoU and appropriately disseminate success stories:
- 4. Review the operationalization of this MoU on a six-monthly basis or such other shorter periods as mutually decided at state level;

This MoU will be valid for a period of five years unless cancelled earlier with mutual consent and can be extended from time to time.

Signed on behalf of:

First Party:

(Nàveen Mahajan)

Chief Electoral Officer& Ex-Officio Principal Secretary, Election Department, Rajasthan

Second Party:

(Krishna Kunal)

Secretary,

Dept. of School Education and Language Rajasthan

In the presence of:

(डॉ. झेंबुकवोबाकी)

संयुक्त मुख्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी

निर्वाचन विभाग, राज., जवपुर

(IT) शास**न स**चिवालय, जयपुर

Signature

(अनुपमा जोरवाल, आई.ए.एस.)

राज्य परियोजना निदेशक

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