



भारत निर्वाचन आयोग  
Election Commission of India

निर्वाचन सदन  
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ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI-110001

No. ECI/PN/092/2026

Dated: 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2026

**PRESS NOTE**

**Sub:- Biennial Elections to the Legislative Councils of Bihar and Karnataka by the Members of respective Legislative Assemblies (MLAs) to fill the seats of members retiring on 28.06.2026 and 30.06.2026 respectively-reg.**

The term of office of 16 members of Legislative Councils of Bihar and Karnataka elected by the Members of respective Legislative Assemblies (MLAs) is due to expire on their retirement on 28.06.2026 and 30.06.2026 respectively as per the following details: -

**BIHAR**

S. No	Name of Member (Sh/Smt.)	Date of Retirement
1.	Dr. Kumud Verma	28.06.2026
2.	Professor Ghulam Ghous	
3.	Mo. Farooq	
4.	Bhisma Sahani	
5.	Sribhagwan Singh Kushwaha (vacated w.e.f. 16.11.2025)	
6.	Sanjay Prakash	
7.	Samir Kumar Singh	
8.	Samrat Choudhary (vacated w.e.f. 16.11.2025)	
9.	Sunil Kumar Singh	

**KARNATAKA**

1.	Govinda Raju	30.06.2026
2.	Naseer Ahmed	
3.	N. Nagaraju (M T B)	
4.	Prathap Simha Nayak K.	
5.	Tippannappa	
6.	Sunil Vallyapur	
7.	B.K. Hariprasad	

2. The Commission has decided to conduct above mentioned biennial elections to the Legislative Councils of Bihar and Karnataka by Members of respective Legislative Assemblies in accordance with the following programme:-

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Events</b>	<b>Dates</b>
1.	Issue of Notification	01 <sup>st</sup> June, 2026 (Monday)
2.	Last Date of making nominations	08 <sup>th</sup> June, 2026 (Monday)
3.	Scrutiny of nominations	09 <sup>th</sup> June, 2026 (Tuesday)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of candidatures	11 <sup>th</sup> June, 2026 (Thursday)
5.	Date of Poll	<b>18<sup>th</sup> June, 2026 (Thursday)</b>
6.	Hours of Poll	09:00 am- 04:00 pm
7.	Counting of Votes	18 <sup>th</sup> June, 2026 (Thursday) at 05:00 pm
8.	Date before which election shall be completed	20 <sup>th</sup> June, 2026 (Saturday)



**(RAJESH KUMAR SINGH)**  
**UNDER SECRETARY**