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Public (Elections) Department,  
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**D.O Letter No. 8373/Elec.VII/2022-21, Dated: 09.01.2023**

Dear Sir,

Sub: Elections - Celebration of National Voters' Day, 2023 -  
Voters' pledge - Issue of Instructions - Regarding.

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I am to state that the Election Commission of India celebrates its foundation day, 25<sup>th</sup> January of every year, as the "National Voters' Day" across the country. The Thirteenth National Voters' Day will be celebrated on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2023 throughout the State at all levels, i.e., State, District and Polling Station Locations by administering Voters' pledge. The objective is, to use the occasion to create awareness about the importance of getting oneself enrolled as elector, and thereby enhance the participation in our democratic process.

2. This year also as part of National Voters' Day Celebrations, Voters' Pledge has to be taken in all Government offices and Educational Institutions.

3. The Commission has requested to organise the National Voters' Day function in association with various Institutions/ Organisations such as Academic Institutions, Organisation of Youth volunteers like NSS, NCC, Scouts and Guides etc., keeping in view of Covid safety norms. Further, National Voters' Day Pledge to be administered during the event. The Commission has also stated that various Departments/ Organisations/ Bodies may be encouraged to administer National Voters' Day Pledge on the day of National Voters' Day and the same may be uploaded on their Social Media handles/ website using hashtag #NVD2023.

4. I am, therefore, to request you to issue instructions to the Educational Institutions / Head of the Departments (HoDs) under your control to administer the National Voters' Day Pledge at 11.30 A.M on 25.01.2023. This will inspire, in youth, a sense of citizenship, pride and participation in the election process. A copy of the Pledge (both in English and Tamil) is enclosed.

5. The photos of the Voters Pledge taking event are to be sent to this office to the email Id: [sec7.pelecd@tn.gov.in](mailto:sec7.pelecd@tn.gov.in) for necessary action.

Yours sincerely,  
Sd/- xxxx

To  
Tmt. Kakarla Usha, IAS.,  
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**Copy to:**

✓ Thiru.K. Nanthakumar, I.A.S.,  
Commissioner,  
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Copy communicated to all  
CEOs for the necessary action.

SECTION OFFICER

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## VOTERS' PLEDGE

We, the citizens of India, having abiding faith in democracy, hereby pledge to uphold the democratic traditions of our country and the dignity of free, fair and peaceful elections, and to vote in every election fearlessly and without being influenced by considerations of religion, race, caste, community, language or any inducement.

### வாக்காளர் உறுதிமொழி

மக்களாட்சியின் மீது பற்றுடைய இந்தியக் குடிமக்களாகிய நாம், நம்முடைய நலன் கருதும் மரபுகளையும், சுதந்திரமான, நியாயமான மற்றும் அமைதியான தேர்தல்களின் மாண்பையும் நிலைநிறுத்துவோம் என்றும், மேலும் ஒவ்வொரு தேர்தலிலும் அச்சமின்றியும், மதம், இனம், சாதி, வகுப்பு, மொழி ஆகியவற்றின் தாக்கங்களுக்கு ஆட்படாமலும் அல்லது எந்தவொரு தூண்டுதலுமின்றியும் வாக்களிப்போம் என்றும் உறுதி மொழிகிறோம்.