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1. Home voting of Absentee voters:

75,690 (94.32%) voters in the age group of 80+ out of **80,250** voters opted for home voting has cast their vote at their homes. Similarly **18,636 (96.66%)** PwD voters out of **19,279** voters have cast their votes up to 05.05.2023. In total **94,326 (94.77%)** voters have cast their votes out of **99,529** voters opted.

2. Model Code of Conduct, Election Expenditure and Law & Order enforcement:

a. Seizures:

The seizure value, in terms of Cash, Freebies, Liquor, Drugs/Narcotics and Precious metals, from 29.03.2023 to 05.05.2023 (reported on 06.05.2023) is Rs. **365.22 crore** which is approximately double the amount of General Elections to Legislative Assembly Constituencies 2023 i.e. **Rs. 185.74** crore seized during entire period of Model Code of Conduct.

b. Major seizure by the Income Tax Department:

The Income Tax department has seized cash **Rs. 15.53** crore and **10.14 KG** Gold worth **Rs.7.08** crore on 05.05.2023. The details are given below:

- Income Tax Department has seized Cash **Rs.4,77,16,000** in Shivajinagar Constituency of Bangalore Urban District.
- Income Tax Department has seized Cash **Rs.3,44,50,000** in Rajarajeshwari Constituency of Bangalore Urban District.
- Income Tax Department has seized Cash **Rs.3,35,00,000** in Malleshwaram Constituency of Bangalore Urban District
- Income Tax Department has seized Cash **Rs.2,30,00,000** in Pulakeshinagar Constituency of Bangalore Urban District
- Income Tax Department has seized Cash **Rs.62,83,400** in Shantinagar Constituency of Bangalore Urban District.
- Income Tax Department has seized Cash **Rs.55,00,000** in Gandhinagar Constituency of Bangalore Urban District
- Income Tax Department has seized Cash **Rs.30,00,000** and in Raichur Constituency of Raichur District.
- Income Tax department has seized cash Rs. 23,50,000 in four places of Hebbal, Shivajinagar, Chikkapete and Jayanagar Constituencies of Bengaluru Urban districts
- Income Tax Department has seized **6.59 KG** Gold worth **Rs. 5,00,00,000** in four places of Hebbal (1), Shanthinagar (2), and Gandinagar (1) Constituencies of Bengaluru Urban districts
- Income Tax Department has seized **3.55 KG** worth **Rs. 2,08,49,930** Gold in Raichur Constituency of Raichur District.

c. Other major seizures:

FST team has seized Cash of **Rs.38,00,000** in Chamaraja Constituency of Mysore District. Railway Police has seized **21 KG** of Ganja worth **Rs. 25,20,000** in Bangarapete Railway station in Bangarapete Constituency of Kolar district.

d. Seizures as on 06.05.2023:

CASH				
Enforcement teams	Seizure on previous day	Progressive seizure		
FS/SST/Police	84,44,485	1,01,35,74,158		
Income Tax	15,52,99,400	37,19,70,190		
Total	16,37,43,885	1,38,55,44,348		
FREEBIES				
Enforcement teams	Seizure on previous day	Progressive seizure		
FS/SST/Police	1,78,795	23,66,70,293		
LIQUOR				
Enforcement teams	Seizure of previous day		Progressive seizure	
	Qty. (Ltr)	Value (Rs.)	Qty. (Ltr)	Value (Rs.)
FS/SST/Police	421.08	1,38,224	74,452	2,21,78,768
Excise	25,549.00	1,08,76,159	21,17,320	80,43,96,493
Total	25,970.08	1,10,14,383	21,91,772.146	82,65,75,261
DRUGS/NARCOTICS				
Enforcement teams	Seizure of previous day		Progressive seizure	
	Qty. (Kg)	Value (Rs.)	Qty. (Kg)	Value (Rs.)
FS/SST/Police and Excise	28.15	33,13,000	1,899	23,09,95,606
PRECIOUS METALS				
Enforcement teams	Seizure of previous day		Progressive seizure	
	Qty. (Kg)	Value (Rs.)	Qty. (Kg)	Value (Rs.)
Gold (FS/SST/Police)	0	-	142	71,53,71,929
Gold (Income Tax)	10.14	7,08,49,930	36	21,08,18,617
Gold Total	10.14	7,08,49,930	177.95	92,61,90,546
Silver (FS/SST/Police)	10.95	7,66,500	630	4,35,12,904
Silver (Income Tax)	0.00	-	37	27,31,000
Silver Total	10.95	7,66,500	667.08	4,62,43,904
Gold and Silver Total	21.09	7,16,16,430	845.04	97,24,34,450
Grand Total		24,98,66,493		3,65,22,19,959

Previous day Seizure (Value in Rs)	24,98,66,493
Cumulative Seizure (Value in Rs)	365,22,19,959

e. Cases booked:

- Flying Squads, SSTs and Police authorities have booked **2,746** FIR's with regard to seizures of cash, liquor, drugs, precious metal and Freebies.
- **69,864** arms have been got deposited, **18** arms were impounded, **20** arms license have been cancelled, **5,741** cases are booked under preventive sections of CrPC, out of which **11,748** persons were bounded over. **17,012** Non-bailable warrants were executed from the date of announcement of elections.
- Excise Department has booked **3,434** Heinous Cases, **3,240** cases for Breach of Licence Conditions, **100** NDPS and **33,291** cases under Section 15 (a) of Karnataka Excise act 1965. And also **2,388** different types of Vehicles have been seized.

3. Public Grievance Redressal:

Out of the **32,831** calls received through Voter Helplines, **29,877** people have sought information, **65** have given feedback, **47** have made suggestions and **2,842** have registered complaints. All **32,831** calls have been disposed off. In addition, **11,227** complaints have been registered by the citizens on NGRS portal, out of which, **10,959** complaints have been disposed off.

4. cVIGIL:

16,427 Complaints have been received through cVIGIL application. Major complaints received are related to Posters/Banners without permission (**9,776**), Money Distribution (**166**), Posters without mandatory declaration (**249**), Display of Firearms, Intimidation (98), Distribution of gifts/coupons (**208**), Distribution of Liquor (**138**), property defacement (**439**), vehicle or convoy without permission (**295**), out of which **14,807** Complaints are found to be correct and action has been taken.

5. Media:

The complaints have been received through emails (**467**) and letters (**790**), Newspapers (**158**), TV Channels (**71**), Social Media (**110**). Out of the total **1,611** Complaints **1,311** have been disposed off.

6. SUVIDHA:

Under SUVIDHA **24,976** Applications for permissions have been received; out of which **21,983** have been accepted and **2,189** have been rejected. **78** are in progress, **283** are pending and **443** are cancelled.
