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**General Elections to Lok Sabha 2024
and Bye election to 36-Shorapura Legislative Assembly Constituency 2024
PRESS NOTE**

1. Model Code of Conduct:

- As on date there are **2,357** Flying Squads and **2,669** Static Surveillance Teams have been activated.
- Total 87,212** numbers of Wall Writings, posters, banners and other defacements were removed from Government property within 24 hours of the announcement of Elections.
- Total 1,34,307** numbers of Wall Writings, posters, banners and others defacements were removed from public property within 48 hours of the announcement of Elections.
- 01** Case has been lodged for violation of defacement of public property in Kolar CMC limit under Karnataka Open Places (Provisions of disfigurement) Act, 48 Hours after the announcement of Elections.

2. Election Expenditure Monitoring:

a. Seizures:

CASH				
Enforcement teams	Seizure on previous day		Progressive seizure	
FS/SST/Police	17,73,200		25,76,200	
Income Tax	0		20,00,000	
Total	17,73,200		45,76,200	
Freebies				
Enforcement teams	Seizure on previous day		Progressive seizure	
FS/SST/Police	0		0	
LIQUOR				
Enforcement teams	Seizure of previous day		Progressive seizure	
	Qty. (Ltr)	Value (Rs.)	Qty. (Ltr)	Value (Rs.)
FS/SST/Police	532.81	2,34,786.67	657.6	2,96,797.43
Excise	4,93,209.3	15,32,17,195	4,93,844.7	15,34,94,171
Total	4,93,742.11	15,34,51,981.67	4,94,502.3	15,37,90,968.43
DRUGS/NARCOTICS				
Enforcement teams	Seizure of previous day		Progressive seizure	
	Qty. (Kg)	Value (Rs.)	Qty. (Kg)	Value (Rs.)
FS/SST/Police and Excise	6.014	97980	7.308	566480
PRECIOUS Metals				
Enforcement teams	Seizure of previous day		Progressive seizure	
	Qty. (Kg)	Value (Rs.)	Qty. (Kg)	Value (Rs.)
Gold (FS/SST/Police)	0	0	0	0
Gold (Income Tax)	0	0	0	0
Gold Total	0	0	0	0
Silver (FS/SST/Police)	0	0	0	0
Gold and Silver Total	0	0	0	0
Grand Total		15,53,23,162		15,89,33,648

b. Cases booked:

- Flying Squads, SSTs and Police authorities have booked **70** FIRs with regard to seizures of cash, liquor, drugs, precious metal and Freebies.
- **29,332** arms have been got deposited, **824** arms were impounded, **0** arms license have been cancelled, **1,350** cases are booked under preventive sections of CrPC, out of which **819** persons were bounded over. **699** Non-bailable warrants were executed from the date of announcement of elections.
- Excise Department has booked **56** Heinous Cases, **53** cases for Breach of Licence Conditions, **4** NDPS and **241** cases under Section 15 (a) of Karnataka Excise act 1965 And also **35** different types of Vehicles have been seized.

c. Special Report:

➤ **Excise Department seizures:**

- a. Seized 1,71,584 ltrs of beer worth **Rs. 3.99 crore** (*M/s. Anheuser Busch Inbev India ltd - shifted to the warehouse in the absence of Excise Officials*) in Chamarajanagara Parliamentary Constituency in Mysuru District.
 - b. Seized 1,64,268 ltrs of beer worth **Rs. 3.85 crore** (*M/s. Anheuser Busch Inbev India ltd - Manufactured without permission and stored in bottling line*) in Chamarajanagara Parliamentary Constituency in Mysuru District.
 - c. Seized 1,26,498 ltrs of liquor worth **Rs. 6.23 crore** (*M/s. United Spirit Ltd, (Sublease of M/s.KBD Sugars – stored in bottling line)*) in Chikkaballapura Parliamentary Constituency in Bengaluru Rural District.
- Income Tax Department has seized Rs. 20,00,000 cash in Chikkaballapura Parliamentary Constituency in Bengaluru Rural District.

3. Public Grievance Redressal:

Out of the **177** calls received through Voter Helpline, **176** people have sought information, **1** have given feedback and **1** have registered complaints. Cumulatively **177** calls have been disposed off. In addition, **6,306** complaints have been registered by the citizens on NGRS portal, out of which, **5,981** complaints have been disposed off.

4. cVIGIL:

413 Complaints have been received through cVIGIL application. Major complaints received are related to Posters/Banners without permission **257**, Money Distribution **06**, Posters without mandatory declaration **29**, Display of Firearms, Intimidation **01**, Distribution of gifts/coupons **03**, Distribution of Liquor **01**, property defacement **Nil**, Vehicle or convoy without permission **Nil**, Others **108**, out of which **320** Complaints are found to be correct and action has been taken.

5. Media:

The complaints have been received through emails **01** and letters **03**, Newspapers **02**, TV Channels **01** and Social Media **05** Out of the total **12** Complaints, **12** have been disposed off.

6. SUVIDHA:

Under SUVIDHA, **36** Applications for permissions have been received; out of which **14** have been accepted and **12** have been rejected. **No applications** are in progress, **10** are pending and **10** are cancelled.