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ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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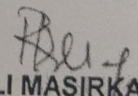
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OFFICE ORDER

The Election Commission of India has been continuously striving towards the fulfillment of its motto, of "No Voter to be left behind" as democracy can flourish when all groups of people participate in elections. In a bid to make elections more inclusive and participative, the Commission had constituted the National Advisory Committee on Inclusive Elections (NACIE) for a period of 2 years, vide Office Order dated 19.12.2022 (copy enclosed), with a mandate to study the various marginalized groups such as Third Gender, PVTGs, Sex Workers, Nomads, Homeless people, migrants etc. The term of this Committee has expired on 18th December, 2024.

The Commission has now decided to extend the term of the National Advisory Committee on Inclusive Elections (NACIE) by a period of two years i.e. till 18th December, 2026.

The Committee will function under the terms of reference and composition as outlined in Annexure A.


(DEEPAI MASIRKAR)
DIRECTOR

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1. The Chief Electoral Officers of All States and Union Territories.
 2. All members of NACIE
 3. All concerned Sections/Divisions of ECI

National Advisory Committee on Inclusive Elections (NACIE)

Structure & Terms of ReferenceScope:

National Advisory Committee on Inclusive Elections (NACIE) has been formed to advise the Commission on measure to be taken for inclusive elections. The Committee shall have a mandate to identify such marginalized communities in all States/UTs and get a deep insight of the factors that hinder their participation and devise strategies to overcome the barriers by involving stakeholder.

Members of NACIE:

The Committee comprises of the following:

1. Deputy Election Commissioner, Accessibility & Inclusion Division - Chairperson
2. Director/Pr. Secy/Secy, Accessibility & Inclusion Division - Convenor
3. CEOs of any 7 States on rotational basis
4. Director, IT
5. Director/Pr. Secy/Secy, SVEEP
6. Director/Pr. Secy/Secy, Electoral Roll Division
7. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, GoI
8. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, GoI
9. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development, GoI
10. Any other member as decided by the chair.

Terms of Reference:

- I. NACIE shall give recommendations to the Commission on strategies for inclusion of marginalised sections in the electoral process.
- II. NACIE shall study good practices in India and across the world and recommend initiatives for enhancing the electoral participation of the groups.
- III. NACIE shall suggest initiatives to be taken up for sensitization of officials while dealing with the marginalised communities.
- IV. NACIE shall recommend a plan of action enlisting the work to be done in respect of marginalized voters to spread awareness.
- V. NACIE shall also recommend on the following:
 - Barriers regarding registration and voting of marginalized communities.
 - Role of Partner Departments, State Government, NGOs, CSOs
 - Legislative Initiatives for enhancing electoral participation.
 - Inclusive Voter Education.

Meetings:

Meetings will be convened annually or as decided by the Chair.

Non-Government Members:

Travelling and boarding/lodging facilities may be provided to non-government members or reimbursement of their expenses may be done as per existing norms.
