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- **Delhi's CEO, Sh. P. Krishnamurthy, Appeals for High Voter Participation despite Heatwave or Weather Challenges**
- **Extensive Arrangements Made for a Comfortable Voting Experience in Delhi's Sixth Phase on May 25th**
- **CEO Krishnamurthy: "Let's Break Voting Records and Show the Nation Delhi's Commitment to Democracy"**

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Ahead of the sixth phase of voting in Delhi, Chief Electoral Officer Shri P. Krishnamurthy has appealed to all eligible voters to participate in large numbers on the polling day, May 25th. Emphasising the importance of voting as a fundamental civic duty, Shri Krishnamurthy encouraged every voter to exercise their franchise and join in this grand celebration of democracy, irrespective of the weather conditions.

“On the day of voting, May 25th, I urge all voters in Delhi to come out in large numbers and cast their vote. Even if the weather is harsh, it is our foremost responsibility as citizens to participate in this democratic process. While heatwaves, cold, and rain are part of every season, our commitment to voting should remain unwavering,” CEO Shri P. Krishnamurthy further added.

To ensure a comfortable voting experience despite the extreme heat, comprehensive arrangements have been made at all polling stations. “Shaded areas have been set up at each polling station, and the waiting areas are fully covered. Coolers and fans have been installed to mitigate any discomfort. Additionally, proper arrangements for drinking water, toilets, wheelchairs, and ramps for the disabled are in place under the Assured Minimum Facility Policy. We aim to provide all necessary facilities so that voters face no inconvenience at any polling station,” added Shri P. Krishnamurthy.

For the first time in the Delhi elections, paramedical staff equipped with basic medical kits will be stationed at all polling locations. Volunteers will assist elderly voters, and sign language experts will be available to ensure that disabled voters have a smooth voting experience.

The CEO said that there will be 13,641 polling stations across Delhi. Out of these, 2,891 polling stations identified as critical will undergo direct monitoring. “These critical polling stations will be closely monitored by the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer and District Election Officers through a webcast” he stated.

Highlighting special initiatives to enhance the voting experience, Shri Krishnamurthy said, "We are setting up 70 pink polling stations across Delhi, one in each assembly constituency, which will be entirely operated by women polling staff. Additionally, 70 model polling stations will feature enhanced facilities. For the first time, each parliamentary constituency will have a polling station fully staffed by persons with disabilities (PwD)."

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