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Ensuring Integrity: Robust Security for Polled EVMs & VVPATs in NCT of Delhi

Uncompromised Security: Safeguarding the Electorate's Choice - Shri P. Krishnamurthy

Contesting candidateshave facility to closely monitor the security arrangements of strong rooms

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The Chief Electoral Officer of Delhi, Shri P. Krishnamurthy, announced that two-tier security arrangements have been implemented for the polled EVMs and VVPATs, stored in the strong rooms of the seven parliamentary constituencies. Polling for the general election to the LokSabha 2024 was conducted across all seven parliamentary constituencies of the NCT of Delhi on Saturday, May 25, 2024.

Storage Locations for Each Parliamentary Constituency:

Parliamentary Constituency	Storage Location
ChandniChowk	SKV, Bharat Nagar
North-East Delhi	ITI, NandNagri
East Delhi	Sports Complex, CWG Village
New Delhi	AtalAdarshBalikaVidyalaya, Gole Market
North-West Delhi	DTU, ShahbadDaulatpur
West Delhi	NSUT, Dwarka
South Delhi	Jijabai ITI for Women, Siri Fort

Shri Krishnamurthy further detailed that all necessary arrangements have been made to ensure the safety and security of the polled EVMs and VVPATs in accordance with ECI safety protocols. These measures include:

- 1. Deployment of two-tier security around the clock, with the innermost perimeter guarded by Central Armed Paramilitary Forces (CAPF) and the outermost perimeter by State Armed Police.
- 2. 24x7 CCTV camera coverage of the sealed doors of the strong rooms and corridors, with continuous monitoring.

- 3. A single entry/exit point to the strong rooms.
- 4. A double lock system.
- 5. Mandatory videography during the opening and closing of the strong rooms.
- 6. Maintenance of a logbook for recording visits of authorized officials (General Observers, DEOs, or DCPs) under videography.
- 7. An operational control room adjacent to the strong rooms.
- 8. No entry for any vehicles, including those of VIPs and officials.

The CEO further informed that Agents/Representatives of Contesting candidates are allowed to closely monitor the security arrangements of these strong rooms through CCTV monitors. Arrangements for their comfortable stay is made at the strong room location. They are also granted periodic access to the inner perimeter in batches to observe, verify, and be assured of the security measures in place.

The Chief Electoral Officer of Delhi emphasises the proactive approach taken to safeguard the integrity of the electoral process, with counting scheduled for June 4, 2024.





(North-West Parliamentary Constituency strong room at DTU, Shahbad Daulatpur)





(Chandni Chowk Parliamentary Constituency strong room at SKV Bharat Nagar)