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PRESS RELEASE

- **Delhi Gears Up for Inducement-Free Elections! Stricter enforcement, record-breaking seizures, and enhanced surveillance ensure a fair and transparent Delhi Legislative Assembly Elections 2025**
- **Massive Crackdown on Election Violations! Seizures of cash, liquor, narcotics, and freebies witness an unprecedented rise, reinforcing the commitment to clean elections**
- **With ESMS app realtime information sharing and coordination for effective enforcement of Election Expenditure Management**
- **Call for Ethical Voting! Delhi's Chief Electoral Officer urges voters to reject inducements and participate in the democratic process with integrity**

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The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Delhi, has intensified efforts to ensure a free, fair, and inducement-free electoral process for the upcoming Delhi Legislative Assembly Elections 2025. With a sharp increase in seizures of cash, liquor, narcotics, and other inducements compared to the 2020 elections, strict measures are in place to curb electoral malpractices.

Record-Breaking Seizures: Enforcement agencies have reported a massive surge in intercepted illegal inducements:

Sr. No	Particular	DLA 2025 (Rs.)	DLA 2020 (Rs.)	% Increase
1	Cash	38,64,20,564	12,80,97,900	202%
2	Narcotics	88,40,08,723	7,91,58,750	1017%
3	Bullions	80,78,50,903	33,86,06,910	139%
4	Misc./Freebies	5,52,07,159	2,16,10,000	155%
5	Liquor	4,93,75,770	2,91,96,131	69%

Enhanced Monitoring: A three-fold increase in deployment of surveillance teams, with 636 Flying Squad Teams (FSTs) and 630 Static Surveillance Teams (SSTs) actively monitoring election activities. Apart from FST/SST Quick Response Team of Delhi Police and Income Tax for better and effective monitoring.

Wider Enforcement Network: In addition to Delhi Police, Income Tax, Narcotics, and Excise Departments, agencies like DRI, CGST, RPF, and the Enforcement Directorate have been engaged for stricter vigilance.

Tech-Driven Transparency:

- cVIGIL App: Empowers citizens to report election violations in real time.
- ESMS (Election Seizure Management System): Enables real-time digitization of intercepted items for better tracking and accountability.

Strict Legal Action: With 2703 FIRs already registered under various acts, surpassing the 2067 FIRs recorded in the entire 2020 elections, authorities are ensuring swift legal action against violators.

The Chief Electoral Officer urges all voters to participate responsibly in the democratic process and report any election malpractices through the cVIGIL App or the election helpline. To report any violation the 24x7 Control Room setup at office of all DEOs and CEO. The numbers of control Room has been widely circulated through publication in newspapers and display on websites. Every vote matters—let's uphold the integrity of Delhi's elections!
