

Voter Do's and Don'ts

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This election take an oath
to vote for a taint-free and honest candidate
who would do good work. Be a responsible
voter by not voting on the basis of caste,
religion, creed, gender, money and gift



What are your duties as a citizen of India?

- Exercise your franchise in every election and also encourage others to do the same.
- Be an informed voter and know the background details of your candidates and also share this information with others.
- Vote for credible and clean image candidates and ask others to do the same.
- If any candidate tries to buy your vote or threatens you, expose him/her and also report to the ECI.
- Use RTI as a medium to learn more about your candidate.
- Increase pressure on political parties to stop giving tickets to candidates with criminal background.
- Actively participate in voter awareness campaigns and other such activities to educate the citizens.
- Don't become party to spreading of fake news on social media.
- Approach ECI or a competent court for action against a false affidavit furnished by a candidate.

What kind of election expenditure activities are illegal & criminal offences?

- Bribing voters with cash, alcohol and other gift items & freebies in order to buy their votes.
- Resorting to the practice of paid news or getting favourable news articles published in newspapers and news channels by paying money to the publishers.
- There is an election expenditure limit for both MPs and MLAs in every state. If any candidate spends more than the prescribed expenditure limit then it is an offence under law.
- It is a crime to publish a candidate's advertisement without his assent by a third party. If the candidate knows about this he must include it in his election expenditure declaration.
- As per law, it is mandatory to mention the name of the publisher/printer on the election hoardings, posters and banners.

What is NOTA?

NOTA or 'None of the Above' option made its debut in the Electronic Voting Machine (EVMs) in 2013 in Chhattisgarh, Mizoram, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh and Delhi Assembly Elections. This option has provided the voters with **a right to reject all the candidates** contesting an Assembly or Lok Sabha polls if the voter feels **none of the candidates are suitable enough**.

The Supreme Court on Monday, 15th March 2021 sought responses from the Centre and the Election Commission on a plea seeking to direct the poll panel **to nullify an election result** and conducting a fresh poll **if the maximum votes are for NOTA** in a particular constituency.

Know more about your candidate contesting from your constituency

Be an informed voter, and vote for a taint-free candidate



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The data will be available 5-6 days before the polling date.

