



The Telangana State Election Commission (TSEC) has issued the Election notification for 3^{rd} Ordinary elections to the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) and the poll will be held on 02/02/2016.

GHMC comprises of more than 70 Lakh voters and makes up nearly $1/3^{\rm rd}$ of the population of Telangana State. It houses most of the Industrial and Commercial establishments of the State with a Revenue contribution of about Rs.1,00,000 Crores to State and Central Governments besides providing employment to lakhs of people from all over the country. The Annual Budget of GHMC is approximately Rs.6300 Crores. The City can be quickly transformed into a real world class Metropolis enhancing the life style and prosperity of its residents provided there is a competent and capable elected body managing it. A responsible and accountable city Government can be obtained only with the active participation of the voters in the election process. A traditional voting percentage of 30-40% can only obtain a traditional leadership.

The Telangana State Election Commission appeals to all the Institutes of Technical Education to play their due role in increasing voter awareness and voter empowerment leading to higher voter turnout during the GHMC elections by:

- i) <u>Creating awareness amongst Stakeholders to increase the Voter turn-out</u>: To achieve this, they can run campaigns within their Institutes and also in the Society on their own (or) in co-ordination with Civil Society Organizations who are already involved in this job.
- Most of the voters in urban areas do not know their polling station number, polling station location and serial number in the voters list: To overcome this, the Telangana State Election Commission has developed the Web Portal **tsec.gov.in** where the citizens can search their name and take printout of the voters slip containing their name, serial number in the voters list of polling station, the details of name and location of polling station.
- iii) The Institutes of Technical Education can educate their own employees & Students and afford them enough opportunity to exercise their franchise without fail. Further the management can facilitate voting by their employees & Students by declaring holiday or giving sufficient time off on the day of the poll.

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Sir.

Sub:- TSEC - Elections - 3rd Ordinary Elections to GHMC, 2016 - Voter Awareness - Enhancing the voting percentage in the ensuing GHMC elections - Reg.

Ref:- TSEC Election Notification No.23/TSEC-ULBs/2016-1&2, dt:08.01.2016.

I invite your kind attention to the reference cited, wherein, the Telangana State Election Commission issued notifications for conduct of 3rd Ordinary elections to GHMC. In this connection, the Commission is taking every possible step to increase the voter turn-out.

Accordingly an Appeal (copies enclosed) is made requesting the participation and Co-operation of all Institutions of Technical Education to the extent possible in this regard.

I, therefore request you to kindly communicate the "Appeal" to all the Institutions of Technical Education under control of your department.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary