

**ELECTION COMMISSION**

Daman and Diu  
F-204, MS Apartments  
Kasturba Gandhi Marg  
New Delhi - 110 001.

Dated the 21<sup>th</sup> August, 2010

**PRESS NOTE**

The Election Commission for the superintendence, direction and control of the preparation of electoral rolls for, and the conduct of, all elections to Panchayats in the Union territory of Daman and Diu proposes to hold the next general elections to the Panchayats as per the following schedule:-

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| (a) Issue of notification for general election by the Administrator under rule 23 of the Daman and Diu Panchayats (Election Procedure) Rules, 1995       | - | 25.08.2010<br>(Wednesday) |
| (b) Issue of notification for general election by the Election Commission under rule 29 of the Daman and Diu Panchayats (Election Procedure) Rules, 1995 | - | 25.08.2010<br>(Wednesday) |
| (c) The last date for making nominations   | - | 01.09.2010<br>(Wednesday) |
| (d) The date for the scrutiny of nominations   | - | 02.09.2010<br>(Thursday)  |
| (e) The last date for withdrawal of candidatures   | - | 04.09.2010<br>(Saturday)  |
| (f) The date on which a poll shall, if necessary, be taken   | - | 19.09.2010<br>(Sunday)    |
| (g) The date of counting   | - | 21.09.2010<br>(Tuesday)   |
| (h) The date before which the election shall be completed  | - | 24.09.2010<br>(Friday)    |

The last general elections to the Village Panchayats and the District Panchayat in the Union territory of Daman and Diu were held on the 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2005. The normal duration of Panchayats is five years from the date appointed for their first meeting. As such, the terms of the existing Village Panchayats and the District Panchayat are due to expire shortly.

The provisions of the Model Code of Conduct for the guidance of Political Parties and Candidates in elections to Panchayats and Municipalities in Daman and Diu, issued by the Election Commission on the 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2010, shall also apply to these elections. All concerned are requested to observe the Model Code of Conduct scrupulously.

  
(Renu Sahni Dhar)  
Election Commissioner