

**WEST BENGAL STATE ELECTION COMMISSION**  
**18, SAROJINI NAIDU SARANI**  
**(Rawdon Street),**  
**KOLKATA-700 017**

**No.1848-SEC/5C-9/2013**

**Date : 08.07.2013**

**O R D E R**

In pursuance of the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India passed on 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2013 in the matter of West Bengal State Election Commission (Petitioner) –vs- The State of West Bengal & Others (Respondents) vide SLP (C1) No(s).19928-19931 of 2013 and the order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2013 in the matter of IA Nos.7-26 and RP(C ) Nos.1480-1483 of 2013 the dates of poll of the ensuing Panchayat General Elections, 2013 have been re-scheduled vide this Commission's Notification No.1758-SEC/1E-70/2012(Pt-II) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2013.

In consequence of the re-scheduled dates of poll, the date of Counting of Votes is also required to be changed.

Therefore, in partial modification of para 4(II) of this Commission's Order No.1601(17)-SEC/5C-9/2012 dated 17.06.2013 and in cancellation of the Commission's No.1642(17)-SEC/5C-9/2013 dated 20.06.2013, it has been decided by the Commission that the counting of votes shall begin on **29<sup>th</sup> July, 2013 at 8.00 A.M.** in place of "13<sup>th</sup> July, 2013" and the sequence of counting shall be in the order as shown below:

- i) Gram Panchayat.
- ii) Panchayat Samiti.
- iii) Zilla Parishad.

Following the aforesaid sequence, a particular counting table shall receive polled box of a pre-fixed polling station for Gram Panchayat first, for Panchayat Samiti second and for Zilla Parishad next. The order in which the polled boxes (of the polling stations) shall be sent to a particular counting table, shall be worked out carefully earlier and shall be declared in the hall.

By order of  
State Election Commissioner  
West Bengal State Election Commission

Secretary,  
West Bengal State Election Commission

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Panchayat Returning Officers may be advised accordingly.

O.S.D. & E.O.Joint Secretary,  
West Bengal State Election Commission