

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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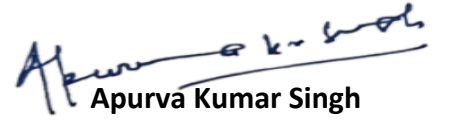
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EVMS ARE TAMPER PROOF

CHECKING & VERIFICATION OF EVMs PROVES IT YET AGAIN

- 1 As per instructions issued by the Commission on 17th June 2025, the Chief Electoral Officer, Maharashtra has completed the EVM Checking and Verification (C&V) pertaining to General Elections to Maharashtra Legislative Assembly-2024. Based on the applications received from 10 candidates, checking and verification of the EVMs - ballot units, control units and VVPATs - was carried out across 10 Assembly constituencies and in all cases the machines passed the diagnostic tests and no mismatch was found in the count of VVPAT slips. This exercise proves, yet again, that the EVMs are tamper proof.
- 2 In the presence of 8 applicants who were losing candidates, who had applied for the C&V, other candidates who had contested or their representatives, C&V was successfully conducted on 48 Ballot Units, 31 Control Units and 31 VVPATs of 10 Assembly constituencies (Annexure attached). Two applicant candidates did not choose to attend.
- 3 Diagnostic test for verifying burnt memory/microcontroller was conducted in 147-Kopri-Pachpakhadi AC, 148-Thane AC, 211-Khadakwasala AC and 229-Majalgaon AC (in 3 sets of EVMs) as per request of the applicant candidates. After diagnostic test, the authorized engineers from the manufacturer (ECIL) certified that all machines passed the diagnostic tests.
- 4 Diagnostic test along with mock poll was conducted in 188-Panel AC, 192-Alibag AC, 80-Arni AC, 119-Yevla AC, 271-Chandgad AC, 276-Kolhapur North AC and remaining 3 sets of EVMs of 229-Majalgaon AC. In these cases, firstly diagnostic tests were conducted by the engineers. After diagnostic test, the authorized engineers from the manufacturer (ECIL) certified that all machines passed the diagnostic tests. Thereafter, mock poll was conducted on the machines as per the request received from the candidates. The results of the EVM (from Control Unit) were verified with the VVPAT slips count and no mismatch was found.

S. No.	District	Assembly Constituency	Schedule	Qty. of EVM units		
				BU	CU	VVPAT
1	Thane	147-Kopri-Pachpakhadi AC	19.07.2025	1	1	1
		148-Thane AC		1	1	1
2	Raigad	188-Panel AC	21.07.2025 to 23.07.2025	5	5	5
		192-Alibag AC		4	4	4
3	Pune	211-Khadakwasala AC	25.07.2025	2	2	2
4	Yavatmal	80-Arni AC	19.07.2025	1	1	1
5	Nashik	119-Yevla AC	21.07.2025	1	1	1
6	Kolhapur	271-Chandgad AC	23.07.2025 to 26.07.2025	10	5	5
		276-Kolhapur North AC		5	5	5
7	Beed	229-Majalgaon AC	28.07.2025 to 29.07.2025	18	6	6
TOTAL				48	31	31


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