



**ABSTRACT**

Holidays – Public Holiday – General Elections to Legislative Assembly 2026 – Declaration of the poll day 23.04.2026 as Public Holiday - Notified.

**PUBLIC (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Ms.No.239**

**Dated:26.03.2026**

**விசுவாவசு, பங்குனி -12**

**திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2057**

**Read:**

From the Secretary, Election Commission of India, Press  
Note No. ECI/PN/029/2026, dated 15.03.2026.

**ORDER:**

The Election Commission of India has notified 23.04.2026 (Thursday) as the poll day for the General Elections to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly 2026. Hence, the poll day on 23.04.2026 (Thursday) has to be declared as public holiday under section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (Central Act XXVI of 1881).

2. The following Notification shall be published in an extra-ordinary issue of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette dated 26.03.2026.

**Notification**

Under the "Explanation" to Section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (Central Act, XXVI of 1881) read with the Notification of the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs No. 20-25-26, Public -1, dated the 8<sup>th</sup> June 1957, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby declares Thursday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026, the date on which the poll for the General Elections to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, 2026 will take place in Tamil Nadu, to be a Public Holiday.

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

**N. MURUGANANDAM**  
**CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

**To:**

The Works Manager, Government Central Press,  
Chennai-79.

(for publication in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette).

All Additional Chief Secretaries/ Principal Secretaries /  
Secretaries to Government, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly Secretariat,  
Chennai-9.

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The Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly Secretariat, Chennai-9.  
All Departments of Secretariat, Chennai-9.  
The Chief Electoral Officer, Public (Elections) Department,  
Chennai-9.  
The Secretary, Election Commission of India, New Delhi.  
The Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation, Chennai-3.  
All Heads of Departments.  
All District Collectors.  
All District Judges.  
All Judicial Magistrates.  
All Public Sector Undertakings / Corporations.  
All Municipalities / Panchayat Unions / Town Panchayats.  
The Reserve Bank of India, Chennai-1 and  
other leading Banking Institutions.  
The Secretary to Chief Minister, Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-9.  
The Special Officer, Chief Minister's Special Cell, Chennai-9.  
The Secretary to Governor, Raj Bhavan, Chennai-22.  
The Information Commission, Saidapet, Chennai-18.  
The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, Chennai-3.  
The Secretary, State Human Rights Commission, Thiruvarangam Building, 143,  
P.S.Kumaraswamy Raja Salai, Chennai-28.  
The Joint Secretary, Lok Sabha Secretariat,  
G-141, PLB, Parliament House, New Delhi-110 001.  
The Registrar, High Court, Chennai-104.  
The Registrar, Madurai Bench of Madras High Court,  
Madurai.  
The Director, Information & Public Relations, Secretariat,  
Chennai-9.  
The Chief Secretary to Government,  
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.  
The Chief Secretary to Government,  
Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.  
The Chief Secretary to Government,  
Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.  
The Chief Secretary to Government,  
Government of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.  
The Chief Secretary to Government,  
Government of Puducherry, Puducherry.  
All Leading Religious Institutions.  
All Recognised Service Institutions.  
All Universities in the State.  
All Chambers of Commerce.  
All Ministers of Government of India and  
Other State Governments.  
The General Manager, Southern Railway, Chennai-3.  
The General Manager, Indian Railways,  
Integral Coach Factory, Chennai-600 038.  
All Central Government offices.  
The Zonal Manager, Life insurance Corporation of India,  
Chennai-2.  
The Chairman, Port Trust, Chennai-1.

The Deputy Principal Information Officer,  
Press Information Bureau,  
Government of India, Chennai-6.  
The Director, National Informatics Centre, Chennai-9.

**Copy to:**

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Legislative Assembly, Secretariat, Chennai-9.  
All Senior Personal Assistant to Ministers,  
Secretariat, Chennai-9.  
The Principal Private Secretary to Chief Secretary,  
Secretariat, Chennai-9.  
The Senior Principal Private Secretary to Principal Secretary,  
Public Department, Chennai-9.  
SF/SC.

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