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BCC election: awareness campaign on voters' list

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BANGALORE: The Bangalore City Joint Action Committee comprising the Public Affairs Centre, Swabhimana and nearly 150 resident welfare associations will launch a campaign for verification of voters' list before the BCC polls in November.

The PAC's programme associate Poornima D.G. said an information kit has been sent to these groups that contains information on how and where to verify the list, how to include, delete or correct your name or other details.

The PAC is setting up a one-day hotline facility on Saturday between 11 am and 5 pm to record problems, if any.

The complaints can be forwarded to the concerned officer later. The hotline number is **5537260** or

Meat shops closed for Chaturthi

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BANGALORE: The Bangalore City Corporation has banned the sale of meat on Ganesh Chaturthi.

The BCC's health officer on Friday ordered for closure of all meat shops under the corporation's jurisdiction on August 22.

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This awareness campaign is not new, the PAC said. The Centre had launched a similar exercise during last time's elections to the Bangalore City Corporation.

THE HINDU, Saturday, August 18, 2001

Hotline to help voters

By Our Staff Reporter

BANGALORE, AUG. 17. The City-based Public Affairs Centre (PAC) supported by Swabhimana and residents' welfare associations will set up a hotline on Saturday for educating people on the verification of voters' list displayed by the BMP prior to its elections.

The Programme Executive of the PAC, Ms. Poornima D.G., told presspersons here today that setting up the hotline was part of its campaign intended to educate people on their right to vote, information on the candidates who would contest the BMP elections and create awareness on the requisite manifesto for the City. The hotline (5537260 and 5533467) would function only on Saturday between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. for recording the difficulties faced by the public in the verification of the voters' list as August 20 was the last date for verification of voters. Interested persons could use the hotline if they had any problem with the verification of the voters' list.

An information kit, which would give details about how to verify the list, where to verify it, and how to include, delete, and correct names, in it had also been supplied to all the organisations concerned in the City. The PAC was also sending e-mails to organisations informing them about the modalities to be observed in verifying the voters' list. The objective of the campaign was to prevent alleged rigging in the elections by educating people about their rights and responsibilities, she said.

THE HINDU, Sunday, August 19, 2001

SEC clarifies on revision of electoral rolls

By Our Staff Reporter

BANGALORE, AUG. 18. The State Election Commission (SEC) has clarified that the revision of electoral rolls in Assembly constituencies will not affect the elections to the Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BMP) Council.

This is in response to reports that appeared in a section of the Press that the revision of electoral rolls ordered by the Election Commission might affect the elections to the BMP Council.

The revision of electoral rolls will not hamper elections to the BMP Council because the final roll of Assembly constituencies with reference to qualifying date

of January 1, 2002, will be published on January 24, 2002, according to a press release issued here on Saturday.

The release said under the provisions of the Karnataka Municipal Corporations (KMC) Act 1976, ward-wise electoral rolls had to be prepared based on the electoral rolls of Assembly constituencies in force.

The valid rolls for holding elections to the BMP Council were the Assembly electoral rolls prepared with reference to qualifying date of January 1, 2001.

The elections to the BMP Council would be held based on these rolls, the release added.