

## Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka

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## **Press Release**

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Election Commission permits alternate documents as proof of identity to vote for the electors who do not posses EPIC.

The Election Commission of India, as per Section 61 of the Representation of the Peoples Act 1951, with a view to preventing impersonation of electors and to make the right of genuine electors to vote, directs that all the electors shall produce their Electors Photo Identity Card for establishing their identity before casting their votes.

Now the Election Commission has directed that the electors who do not have EPIC shall have to produce any one of the following photo documents for establishing their identity before casting their votes:

- 1) Authenticated photo voters slip.
- 2) Passports.
- 3) Driving License.
- 4) Income Tax Identity (PAN) Cards.
- 5) Service Identity Cards with photograph issued to its employees by State/Central Government, Public Sector/undertakings or Public Limited Companies.
- 6) Passbooks with photographs issued by Public Sector Banks/Post Office and Kisan Passbook (accounts opened on or before 31-3-2013).
- 7) Student Identity Card with photograph issued by Recognized Educational Institutions on or before 31-3-2013.
- 8) Property documents with Photograph such a pattas, Registered Deeds, etc.
- 9) Ration Card with Photograph issued up to 31-3-2013.
- 10) SC/ST/OBC Certificates with photograph issued by competent authority on or before 31-3-2013.
- 11) Pension Document with photograph such as ex-servicemen's Pension Book/Pension Payment Order, ex-servicemen's Widow/Dependent Certificates, Oldage Pension Order, Widow Pension Order with photograph (issued up to 31-3-2013).
- 12) Freedom Fighter Identity Card with photograph.
- 13) Arms License with photograph, issued on or before 31-3-2013.
- 14) Certificate of Physical Handicap with photograph issued by competent authority on or before 31-3-2013.
- 15) Ex-servicemen CSD Canteen card with photograph.
- 16) Sandhya Suraksha Scheme Card with photograph issued upto 31-3-2013.
- 17) Job Card with photograph issued under the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme upto 31-3-2013.
- 18) Yashaswini Card with photograph issued upto 31-3-2013.
- 19) The service identity cards with photographs issued by the local bodies namely Municipal Corporation, City Municipal Council, Town Municipal Council, Village Panchayats, etc