

ECI holds conference of Chief Electoral Officers of all States/UTs to assess preparedness for nationwide SIR

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1. The Election Commission of India organised the third Conference of Chief Electoral Officers this year at India International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Management (IIIDEM) in New Delhi.
2. The conference was inaugurated by Chief Election Commissioner Shri Gyanesh Kumar in the presence of Election Commissioners Dr. Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Dr. Vivek Joshi. The Commission assessed the preparedness of offices of the CEOs of all States/UTs for the nationwide SIR exercise.
3. A presentation on the strategies, constraints and best practices adopted was made by the CEO Bihar so that the CEOs of the rest of the country learn from their experiences.
4. The CEOs gave detailed presentations on the number of Electors, qualifying date of last SIR and Electoral Roll in their respective State/UT as per the last completed SIR. The CEOs also presented the status of digitisation and uploading of the Electoral Roll after the previous SIR on the State/UT CEO website.
5. They also gave the status of mapping of current electors with the electors as per the last SIR in the State/UT.
6. In order to ensure that there is a uniform implementation of the Commission's initiative to ensure that no polling station has over 1,200 electors, the status of rationalisation of polling stations was also reviewed.
7. The CEOs also provided suggested documents for the purpose of ensuring that no eligible citizen is left out of the Electoral Roll and no ineligible person is included in it. It was reiterated that these documents should promote ease of submission for the eligible citizens.
8. The Commission also reviewed the status of appointment and training of DEOs, EROs, AEROs, BLOs and BLAs.

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