



Budgam Sep 17: The District Election Officer, Deputy Commissioner Budgam, Dr Syed Sehrish Asgar today chaired a meeting of ROs, AROs and nodal officers to review preparedness for the upcoming 2-phase Municipal Body elections at New Conference Hall in Budgam.

The DEO said as the dates for the upcoming Municipal polls have been declared, the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) came into force across all the wards of the district with immediate effect.

At the outset, the DEO while addressing the designated officers directed them to make coordinated efforts for the smooth conduct of polls. They were directed to ensure videography of poll related activities, daily updation of nominated candidates along with their affidavits and details, CCTV installation at warehouse and strong rooms besides at counting centers.

The DEO directed the designated officers to ensure proper scrutiny, filling up of nominations, rejection of nominations and qualification of nominations and completion of polling process through the set pro- forma.

She also directed designated officers to ensure that all the arrangements are put in place at all polling stations in advance, besides ensure safe keeping and proper lock and key mechanism at collection centers and strong rooms.

The elections for the 6 municipal committees; Budgam, Chadoora, Chareshareef, Khansahab, Beerwah and Magam are scheduled to be held between October-8 to October 27 2018.

Briefing the meeting, the Nodal Officer Elections, ADC Budgam Khurshid Ahmad Shah said that there are 72 total wards where elections will be held, of these 72, 13 wards each are in Chareshareef, Budgam, Beerwah, Magma, Chadoora and 7 in Khansahab.

On the occasion, training about smooth handling of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), study material about smooth conduct of polls and electoral rolls were also distributed among the ROs and AROs.