



STATE ELECTION COMMISSION GOA

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Sub:- Appointment of General Observer (GO) for General Elections to 30 wards of Corporation of the City of Panaji (CCP) 2026.

ORDER

Whereas the General Elections to 30 wards of Corporation of the City of Panaji (CCP) in the State of Goa will be conducted on **11th March, 2026**.

And whereas under Article 243ZA of the Constitution of India, read with Section 11(1) of the City of Panaji Corporation Act, 2002, the State Election Commission is vested with the powers of Superintendence, direction and control for the conduct of the elections to the Corporation.

Now, therefore, I, Menino D'Souza, IAS (Retd.), State Election Commissioner, Goa, do hereby appoint the following Officer of Government of Goa as **General Observer (GO)** for the purpose of General Elections to 30 wards of Corporation of the City of Panaji to be held on **11th March, 2026**.

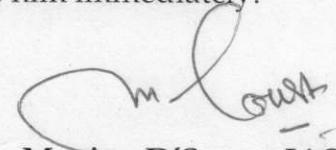
Sr. No.	Name & designation of the Officer appointed as General Observer	Name of the Returning Officer
1.	Shri. Arvind B. Khutkar, Director, Department of Archives, Ribandar, Tiswadi, Goa.	Deputy Collector & SDO, Tiswadi taluka, Panaji-Goa.

The observer shall look into public grievance regarding violations of Code of Conduct, Malpractices by the candidates and proper functioning of Returning Officer/Assistant Returning Officer.

The above appointed officer shall take charge of his duty immediately and he shall be functional till Election process is completed.

The duties and responsibilities attached to the Observer shall be as mentioned in the Order No. 1/199/Standing Orders/2020-SEC/1232 dated 30/10/2020 (Copy enclosed).

The respective Controlling Officer shall relieve him immediately.



Menino D'Souza, IAS(Retd.)

Commissioner

State Election Commission, Goa

To,

1. The Director Printing & Stationery, Government Printing Press, Panaji - for publishing in the Extraordinary Official Gazette.
2. Shri. Arvind B. Khutkar, Director, Department of Archives, Ribandar, Tiswadi, Goa.

Copy to;

1. The Collector, North Goa District, Panaji Goa.
2. The Additional Collector - I, North Goa District, Panaji Goa.
3. The Director, Department of Municipal Administration, Govt. of Goa., Panaji Goa.
4. The Deputy Collector and SDO, Tiswadi taluka and Returning Officer for General Election to Corporation of the City of Panaji 2026.
5. The Mamatdar of Tiswadi Taluka and Assistant Returning Officer for General Election to Corporation of the City of Panaji 2026.
6. The Commissioner, Corporation of the City of Panaji, Panaji Goa.
7. Guard file.