

Urgent



UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT
ELECTION

No. 263733/ELECTION-ASST-2/2023/Admn

Calicut University.P.O

Dated: 03.06.2024

From

The Registrar & Returning Officer

To

All members of the Senate

Sir/Madam,

Sub:- Election to the Syndicate of the University of Calicut on 08.06.2024 - Instructions to the voters - Forwarded - reg.

Ref:- Election Notification of even No. dated 31.05.2024

1. As already notified in the Election Notification cited, the election will be held to reconstitute the Syndicate from 10.00 am to 01.00 pm on 08.06.2024 (Saturday) at the Calicut University Senate House to elect twelve members u/s 21 (though the number of principals of first grade colleges to be elected under item (ii) of the sub section (a) of section 21 of Chapter IV of the Calicut University Act, 1975 is two, election of one Principal of Government Colleges was not notified since there is no representation for Principals of Government College in the Senate) and one student member u/s 21 (b) under 'Other Members' of the Calicut University Act, 1975.

2. Under Section 21 (a) and (b) under the heading of 'Other Members' of the Calicut University Act 1975 the number of persons to be elected is Fourteen of which Thirteen shall be elected as per Sub Section (a) (i), (ii) & (iii) and One as per Sub Section (b) (i), (ii) & (iii)

U/s (i) Seven shall be persons who are not teachers, of whom one shall be a person belonging to 21 (a) a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe.

(ii) Two shall be the Principals of First Grade Colleges of whom One shall be the Principal of a Government College (The election to this category will be conducted for one Principal of First Grade College for want of Principal of Govt. College in the Senate).

(iii) Four shall be the teachers who are not Principals of whom one shall be a University Teacher and One shall be a Teacher of a Government College.

U/s One shall be the student member elected by the members of the Senate from among the 21 (b) members referred to

(i) in Item (15) under the heading 'Ex-Officio members' u/s 17

(ii) in Item (12) under the heading of 'Elected Members' u/s 17

(iii) in Item (4) under the heading of 'Other Members' u/s 17 of the Calicut University Act,1975.

3. The elections will be conducted separately on the same day for electing twelve members u/s 21 (a) (except Govt. College Principal under item (ii) of the sub section (a) of section 21) and One student member u/s 21 (b). Separate ballot papers will be issued for election of members u/s 21 (a) & (b)

4. All members of the Senate on the date of issue of notification shall be eligible to vote at this election subject to the provisions of the Calicut University Act, 1975 and Calicut University (Conduct of Elections to Various Authorities or Bodies) First Statutes, 1975.

5. **Prohibition of canvassing in or near the polling station**

No person shall, on the day of poll commit any of the following acts within the polling station, or within a distance of one hundred metres of the polling station, namely :-

(a) Canvassing for votes or (b) Soliciting the vote of any elector or (c) Persuading any elector not to vote for a particular candidate or (d) Persuading any elector not to vote at the election or (e) Exhibiting any notice or sign for improving his prospectus of election.

6. **Voting**

Voting shall be according to the following procedure

(1) Voting shall be by secret ballot. No vote shall be given by proxy.

(2) Each voter has to produce a duly signed identity form (enclosed herewith). Ballot papers shall not be issued to those who failed to produce this identity form. (See Statute 76(3) of the Calicut University First Statutes, 1975)

(3) The elector shall sign against his/her name in the Electoral Roll kept by the Presiding Officer before the ballot paper issued to him/her.

(4) On receipt of the ballot paper, the voter shall proceed to the polling booth, record his / her vote in the manner prescribed below, and then proceed to the place where the ballot boxes are placed and deposit the same in the ballot boxes concerned (separate ballot boxes will be provided for depositing the ballot paper u/s 21 (a) & (b))

(5) The ballot paper must be deposited in the ballot boxes even if the voter does not desire to record his / her vote for any candidate. No ballot paper shall be taken away from the Polling booth.

(6) No voter shall be allowed to enter the place arranged for marking the vote when another voter is there and no voter shall remain there longer than is necessary for recording his / her vote.

(7) If a voter is incapacitated by physical infirmity it shall be competent for him /her to record his / her vote by the hand of the Returning Officer or by his / her deputy.

7. **Manner of Recording Votes**

Voters may indicate their order of preference to candidates by marking 1,2,3 etc. in the columns provided against the name of the candidates, who represent respectively his/her first, second, third etc, choice. Voters have as many preferences as there are candidates. Crosses or other marks must not be used that will invalidate the vote.

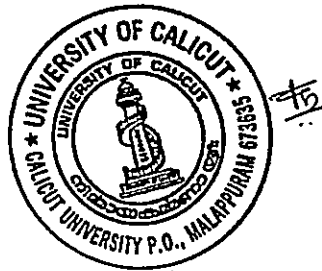
8. **A ballot paper shall be invalid :-**

(a) If it does not bear the initials of Returning Officer and the Presiding Officer of the Polling booth ; or

- (b) If the Voter signs his / her name or writes any word or makes any mark by which the identity of the voter becomes recognisable; or
- (c) If the figure 1 is not marked; or
- (d) If the figure 1 is set opposite the name of more than one candidate or is so marked as to render it doubtful to which candidate it is intended to apply; or
- (e) If the figure 1 and some other figures are set opposite the name of the same candidate; or
- (f) If the marking is not clear; or
- (g) If it violates any other Law

9. The scrutiny and counting of votes will begin at 02.30 pm on 08.06.2024, Saturday at the University Senate House. No person shall be present at the scrutiny and counting except the Vice-Chancellor, the Returning Officer and such other persons as the Vice-Chancellor may appoint to assist the Returning Officer, the candidate or not more than one representative of each candidate appointed by him in writing and approved by the Returning Officer

Encl. : As above.



Yours faithfully

Dr. Satheesh.E.K
Registrar & Returning Officer