

**BAR COUNCIL OF THE STATE OF TELANGANA: HYDERABAD**  
**ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BAR COUNCIL OF TELANGANA**  
**POLLING ON 30.01.2026**

**NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED: 23**


**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS**

1. Twenty-Three members are to be elected in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of single transferable vote. Out of Twenty-Three members, not less than Twelve members, be persons who have put in at least 10 years of practice as advocates on State Roll. The [\*] mark on Ballot Paper indicates that the candidates have been on State Roll for more than 10 years.
2. As soon as ballot paper is received by a voter, he / she shall sign in the voters' list available with Polling Officer and immediately move to the Polling booth and record his/ her preference secretly without being observed by anybody.
3. A voter shall be provided Ballot Paper on production of original Identity Card issued either by the Bar Council of Telangana or by the concerned Bar Associations.
4. The voters shall not carry any cell phone or cameras into the polling booth and if any voter carries such instruments they shall deposit with the Polling Officer and collect after casting their votes.
5. The Voter shall not resort to any malpractice, impersonation or violence, action will be taken according to law.
6. A voter in giving his/her vote: -
  - (a) When a voter intends to cast his/her vote to 1<sup>st</sup> preferential candidate; he/she shall write the letters as "**ONE**" opposite to candidate's name in the same column of the ballot paper with pen. Similarly, write **TWO** in words against the name of 2<sup>nd</sup> preferential candidate. Write **THREE** in words against 3<sup>rd</sup> preferential candidate. Write **FOUR** in words against 4<sup>th</sup> preferential candidate and write **FIVE** in above order against the 5<sup>th</sup> preferential candidate.
  - (b) If the writing crosses the line of the column of one candidate to another, it will be treated as "**invalid**".

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- (c) Every Voter is required to utilize (5) preferences minimum in the ballot paper, **failing which the vote will be treated as invalid.**
- (d) The voter shall proceed to the Booth earmarked, open the ballot paper, keep on the table of polling Booth, and vote in order of preference from "1 to 5" minimum and maximum 23 by writing in words with pen available at the polling booth.
- (e) After recording the preferences on the ballot paper, the Voter shall fold it as demonstrated by the polling officer.
- (f) After completing the folding of ballot paper, the Voter shall proceed to ballot box and drop the ballot paper in the presence of the Polling Officer or his authorized person.
- (g) If the ballot paper does not contain marking of 5 preferences minimum, such ballot Paper will be treated as invalid and will not be included in the counting of valid votes.
7. If there are more than two voters present at the polling station, they shall form in 'Q'
8. A Ballot Paper will be invalidated if the Voter writes numerical ex.1,2,3,4,5 instead of the words **"ONE" "TWO" "THREE" "FOUR" "FIVE"** etc.
9. A ballot paper should not be signed, put any identifying marks or any other lines are marks, erasures, obliterations or alterations in the ballot paper, the ballot paper shall be deemed to have been defaced and no vote purporting to have been given thereby shall be taken into account for the purpose of the election.

Hyderabad.  
Date:12.01.2026.

  
(Dr. Gurugubelli Yethirajulu)  
Returning Officer