

UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

Department of History

Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) Election – 2026

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS

1. Eligibility to Vote

- a) Only duly enrolled students / registered Research Scholars whose names appear in the officially notified **Voter List** shall be permitted to vote.
- b) Voting shall be category-specific:
 - i. Postgraduate First Year students shall be entitled to vote only for candidates contesting from the Postgraduate First Year category.
 - ii. Postgraduate Second Year students shall be entitled to vote only for candidates contesting from the Postgraduate Second Year category.
 - iii. Research Scholars shall be entitled to vote only for candidates contesting from the Research Scholar category.
- c) No voter shall be permitted to vote outside their respective category.
- d) Voting rights are strictly non-transferable.

2. Identification Requirements

1. Every voter must carry a **valid University Identity Card**.
2. Identity verification shall be conducted by the Election Officials.
3. Voters failing to produce valid identification may not be permitted to vote.

3. Voting Procedure

1. Voters must report to the designated Polling Venue within the notified voting hours.
2. Upon verification of identity:
 - o The voter shall sign the voter register.
 - o The voter shall receive an official ballot paper.
3. The voter shall proceed to the designated **Voting Compartment**.
4. The voter shall mark their choice by placing a clear mark (✓) against the preferred candidate.
5. The voter shall ensure that:
 - o Only one valid mark is made.
 - o No additional writing or markings are made on the ballot paper.
6. After marking the ballot paper:
 - o Fold the ballot paper.
 - o Deposit it into the sealed **Ballot Box**.
7. The voter shall leave the polling area immediately after casting the vote.

4. Secrecy of Ballot

1. Voting is strictly confidential.
2. No voter shall display or reveal their marked ballot paper.
3. Photography or videography inside the polling area is strictly prohibited.

5. Valid and Invalid Votes

A vote shall be considered VALID if:

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The ballot paper is official
The choice is clearly marked
No identifying marks are present

A vote may be considered INVALID if:

Multiple marks are made.
The mark is unclear or ambiguous
The ballot paper contains identifying signs / writings
The ballot paper is defaced or damaged

6. Code of Conduct

Voters shall:

1. Maintain discipline and decorum at the Polling Venue.
2. Follow instructions issued by Election Officials.
3. Refrain from canvassing, campaigning, or influencing voters within the polling premises.
4. Avoid any form of disturbance or misconduct.

7. Prohibited Activities

The following actions are strictly prohibited:

- Impersonation or fraudulent voting
- Carrying campaign material into the polling area
- Influencing or intimidating voters
- Damaging election materials
- Creating disorder at the polling venue

8. Dispute / Grievance

Any grievance related to voting must be immediately reported to the **Presiding Officer / Election Committee**. The decision of the Election Committee shall be final and binding.

9. General Instructions

- a) Voters are advised to arrive early
- b) Voting must be completed within notified hours
- c) Cooperation with Election Officials is mandatory

*By Order of the Election Officer
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