



Madhya Pradesh to Have 3,500 'Pink' Booths | Madhya Pradesh | 20 Mar 2024

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Around **3,500 'pink' booths**, to be **managed exclusively by women** government personnel, are expected to be set up in the state.

Key Points

- The Lok Sabha election 2024 in **Madhya Pradesh for 29 seats**, polling will take place in four phases on **April 19, April 26, May 7 and May 13** and votes will be counted on June 4.
- According to **Chief Electoral Officer (CEO)** Anupam Rajan, 5.64 crores voters, including **2.90 crores males, 2.74 crores female and 1,228 third gender electors**, are registered in the state.
 - In addition, there are 118 overseas voters and 74,835 service electors (Army personnel posted at borders and other places), taking the number of total voters in Madhya Pradesh to more than 5.65 crore.
 - In the **2023 assembly elections**, the voter turnout was **77.82%**.

Chief Electoral Officer (CEO)

- According to **section 13A of the Representation of the People Act 1950, and section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951**, the Chief Electoral Officer of a State/ Union Territory is authorised to supervise the election work subject to the overall superintendence, direction and control of the Election Commission.
- The **Election Commission of India designates an Officer of the Government** as the Chief Electoral Officer in consultation with that State Government/Union Territory Administration.