

**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA****Abstract**

Home Department - Police Department - General Election to Kerala Legislative Assembly 2026 - Election related expenditure - Administrative Sanction accorded - Orders issued.

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**HOME (E) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.(Rt)No.1139/2026/HOME Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 24-03-2026

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Read:- 1) Letter No. C2-14358/2026/PHQ dated 04.03.2026 from the State Police Chief, Kerala.

2) G.O.(Rt) No.3151/2026/Fin dated 21.03.2026.

**ORDER**

The State Police Chief, as per letter read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above, has informed that the Police Department has to make elaborate, effective and fool proof security arrangements of pre-poll bandobust, election bandobust, post election bandobust, counting centre bandobust and post counting Law and Order problems and security of VVIP/VIPs, for the smooth, peaceful and fault free conduct of the 'General Election to Legislative Assembly 2026', which is scheduled during the month of April, 2026 in Kerala. The State Police Chief has therefore requested to accord sanction for an additional amount of Rs.85,61,12,500/- under the head of account "2015-00-106-99-34-3 NV" for meeting the various expenditure in connection with the election security arrangements.

2) Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.42,89,50,000/- (Rupees Forty Two Crore Eighty Nine Lakhs and Fifty Thousand Only) as detailed below, to meet the various election related expenditure for the ensuing election to Kerala Legislative Assembly, 2026.

I ) Payment of Special TA/DA for the Police Personnel and Other Department Personnel

Police and other Department personnel drawn for election duty (Poll day and Counting day) by the Police Department are allowed Special DA at the rate of 1.5 times of the Daily Allowance. This allowance is capped at 7 days per individual (not more than 4 days for Polling and 3 days for Counting)

A total amount of Rs.12 Crore (Rupees Twelve Crore only) is allowed under the H/a 2015-00-106-99-04-01 NV for the above purpose.

II) Engagement of Special Police Officers

Sanction is accorded to appoint 25,000 Special Police Officers for the day of polling and preceding day at a remuneration of Rs.1400/- per day plus a feeding charge Rs.250/- for the poll day.

An amount of Rs.7.625 Crore (Rupees Seven Crore Sixty Two Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) is allowed under the head of account 2015-00-106-99-34-3 NV for the purpose.

III) Engagement of Home Guards

Sanction is accorded to engage 2000 number of Home Guards for the poll related duties for a maximum period of two days. They shall be paid Rs.500/-as remuneration for two days and Rs.250/- as feeding charge for poll day in addition to normal wages.

Rs.25 Lakh (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh only) is allowed for the purpose under the h/a 2015-00-106-99-34-3 NV.

IV) Hiring of Video Camera

Sanction is accorded to hire 2000 Video Camera for one day for the ensuing KLA Election 2026 @ Rs. 5000/- per camera.

An amount of Rs. 1Crore (Rupees One Crore Only) is allowed for the purpose under the h/a 2015-00-106-99-34-3 NV.

V) Motor Vehicle hire charges

Sanction is accorded for hiring a total number of 8400 vehicles (20 per Assembly constituency for three days) at a hire charge of Rs.3000/- per day. An amount of Rs.2.52Crore is allowed for the purpose.

Additionally, funds are provided for hiring of vehicles for troop movement in emergent situations, on condition that Police department vehicles should be used as far as possible and the rates fixed by Transport department shall be followed for hiring, if no such orders are issued by the Election department. All the payment of hire charges should be done through direct transfer of fund to the beneficiary account. An amount of Rs.3 Crore is allowed for vehicle hiring of troop movement.

In total, an amount of Rs.5.52 Crore (Rupees Five Crore Fifty Two Lakh Only) is allowed under the head of account 2015-00-106-99-97 NV for the above purpose.

#### VI) Feeding charges

Feeding charges @ Rs.250 per day are sanctioned for the Poll day and Counting day for Police personnel, Central Armed Police Force, other State's forces and other uniformed State Department personnel drawn by the Police Department for election duty.

An amount of Rs.2 Crore (Rupees Two crore Only) is allowed under the h/a 2015-00-106-99-34-3 NV.

Additional funds are also sanctioned for the following expenditure in connection with the election related works.

- i) Office Expenses - Rs. 3 Crore
- ii) Fuel charges- Rs. 7 Crore
- iii) Telephone charges - Rs. 50 Lakh
- iv) Repair and Maintenance - Rs. 3 Crore
- v) Secret Service Fund - Rs. 1 Crore

**Summary of Sanctioned amount** is given below:

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Sl. No.	Item	Head of Account	Amount Sanctioned (in Rs.)
1	Payment of Special TA/DA for the Police Personnel and Other Department Personnel	2015-00-106-99-04-01 NV	12,00,00,000/-
2	Other Charges	2015-00-106-99-34-03 NV	10,87,50,000/-
3	Motor Vehicle hire charges	2015-00-106-99-97 NV	5,52,00,000/-
4	Office Expenses	2015-00-106-99-05-4 NV	3,00,00,000/-
5	Fuel Charges	2015-00-106-99-45 NV	7,00,00,000/-
6	Telephone Charges	2015-00-106-05-03 NV	50,00,000/-
7	Repair & Maintenance	2015-00-106-99-21-2-NV	3,00,00,000/-
8	Secret Service Fund	2015-00-106-99-15 NV	1,00,00,000/-
	<b>Total</b>		<b>42,89,50,000/-</b>

3) The said amount has been additionally authorised under the heads of account as detailed above, as per Government order read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above.

(By order of the Governor)  
 BISHWANATH SINHA  
 ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY

To:

The State Police Chief, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.  
 The Principal Accountant General (Audit/A&E), Kerala,  
 Thiruvananthapuram.  
 The Director of Treasuries, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Finance Department. (vide Exp-A3/175/2026-Fin dated 21.03.2026)  
The Director, I&PRD (for publishing in the official website)  
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