



BAR COUNCIL OF WEST BENGAL

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To
All Contesting Candidates in
12th Elections of Bar Council of West Bengal, 2026

Sub: Issuance of Access Card to the Venue of Counting

Sir,

Please be informed that the counting of votes in connection with 12th Elections of Bar Council of West Bengal 2026, has been scheduled to start in the week commencing from 20.04.2026 at "Standard Assurance Building", 32, BBD Bag, 1st Floor, Kolkata - 700001 every day from 11 AM to 5 PM and will continue till its completion except on weekly holidays, other State and National holidays and on 23rd April, 2026 29th April, 2026 and 4th May, 2026 and on such other days as the exigencies may require.

To ensure transparency in the counting process and at the same time to avoid crowding at the counting venue, the High Powered Election Committee has decided to permit entry of only one person (either the Candidate himself or one of his Authorised Representative) at the Counting Venue to witness the counting, if desired.

The High-Powered Election Committee has instructed me to issue one special access card to each of the contesting candidates for access to the counting venue, which can be used either by the contesting candidate himself or his authorised representative at any given time. At the time of entry to the counting venue, the access card must be deposited with the authorised representative of the High-Powered Election Committee against issuance of a receipt in the form of a coupon, which shall be returned back at the time of leaving the counting venue by surrendering the coupon to the authorised representative of the High-Powered Election Committee.

The distribution of the Access Cards shall start from the office of the Bar Council of West Bengal on 17.04.2026 (Friday) from 11 AM to the contesting candidates only on verification of any of Government photo ID card.

The contesting candidates desirous of remaining present during the counting (either by himself or through his authorised representative), may collect the Access Card from the office of the Bar Council of West Bengal during the aforesaid period.

Sagar Bandyopadhyay

Sagar Bandyopadhyay, Sr. Advocate &
Returning Officer of 12th Elections of the Bar
Council of West Bengal.