Election Commission Announces Roadmap for Upcoming National Polls



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The Election Commission (EC) of Bangladesh on Thursday unveiled a detailed roadmap for the upcoming 13th National Parliamentary Election. According to the plan, the polls will be held in the first half of February 2026, while the official election schedule will be announced in early December this year.

The roadmap outlines 24 key strategic tasks to be completed ahead of the election. These include finalizing constituency boundaries and publishing GIS maps, preparing and releasing the final voter list, registering political parties and publishing gazettes, accrediting candidates and election observers, providing training to polling officials and law enforcement agencies, as well as introducing digital facilities for postal and expatriate voting.

As per the timeline, amendments to election laws and party registration processes will be completed between August and September. The constituency boundaries and GIS maps will be published by 30 September, followed by the final voter list on 30 November. The full election schedule will be announced in early December, paving the way for the parliamentary polls in February.

The EC also stated that a six-week series of dialogues with stakeholders will be held prior to the polls. Special arrangements will be made to ensure transparent management of expatriate and postal ballots.

Election officials expressed confidence that timely execution of the roadmap will pave the way for a participatory, free, fair, and credible election.