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HEADLINES:-

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- The Government of Meghalaya has activated the helpline number 1800-345-3644 for citizens of the state who may require assistance due to the natural calamity in Sikkim.
- In Assam, extensive water-logging has thrown life out of gear at many areas in Guwahati city.
- The Arunachal Pradesh State Election Commission yesterday announced the Bye-elections to 54 Gram Panchayat and two Zila Parishad constituencies to be held on 6th November.
- The Election Commission yesterday held a meeting with its observers in New Delhi to discuss its strategy for the smooth conduct of upcoming assembly polls in five states.
- The Union Ministry of Rural Development has said that the availability of funds is not a constraint for the implementation of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act.
- Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh yesterday launched mega projects at Lamphelpat of Imphal West district.
- The Tuensang District Hospital has been given the Kayakalp Award 2022-2023 for the best government district hospital in Nagaland.
- The Indian Meteorological Department has said that isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall is likely over Northeast India.

SIKKIM

Sikkim Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang has said that rescue operations are underway in full swing and relief teams are making all efforts towards ensuring that displaced families are put on the path to normalcy at the earliest. The Chief Minister visited disaster-affected areas this morning and announced ex-gratia of 4 lakh rupees to the families of each of the deceased. He also announced an immediate relief of 2000 rupees each to those who have taken shelter in relief camps. Meanwhile, the Centre has constituted an Inter-Ministerial Central Team to make an assessment of damages caused due to flash floods in Sikkim. The devastating flood has claimed 26 lives so far.

HELPLINE

The Government of Meghalaya has activated the helpline number 1800-345-3644 for citizens of the state who may require assistance due to the natural calamity in Sikkim. Students and citizens of Meghalaya can call the helpline number for assistance.

ASSAM

In Assam, extensive water-logging has thrown life out of gear at many areas in Guwahati city. Incessant rainfall over the past couple of days has caused huge problems for the city dwellers. Several areas, including Anil Nagar, Nabin Nagar, Zoo Road have been submerged in artificial flood water. Vehicular movement has been disrupted in Guwahati city due to water-logging at several places.

BY-ELECTIONS

The Arunachal Pradesh State Election Commission yesterday announced the Byeelections to 54 Gram Panchayat and two Zila Parishad constituencies spread over 23 districts in the state. The date of issue of public notice will be 9th October, the last date for filing of nomination is 16th October and last date for withdrawal of nomination 21st October. The date of polling is 6th and that of counting is 8th of November. Arunachal Pradesh State Election Commissioner Rinchin Tashi said the Model Code of Conduct has come into force with the announcement of the bye-elections in the Zila Parishad and Gram Panchayat constituencies.

ECI

The Election Commission yesterday held a meeting with its observers in New Delhi to discuss its strategy for the smooth conduct of upcoming assembly polls in five states. These general, police, and expenditure observers will fan out to the poll-bound states of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Telangana, and Mizoram. The observers play key roles in monitoring the electoral process to ensure a level playing field during the elections.

ACT

The Union Ministry of Rural Development has said that the availability of funds is not a constraint for the implementation of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act. It said that the Act is a demand-driven wage employment programme and the release of funds to States and Union Territories is a continuous process. The Central Government is making funds available keeping in view the demand for work.

PROJECTS

Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh yesterday launched mega projects at Lamphelpat of Imphal West district. The projects are Rejuvenation of Lamphelpat Water Body to Alleviate Urban Flooding, Providing Sustainable Water Source for Imphal City and Promoting Eco-Tourism and Integrated Sewerage System for Imphal Phase-II. The Chief Minister appealed to the people to cooperate and support the projects and help the government. He said that the State Government has to show that despite having so many difficulties, Manipur has overcome everything.

NAGALAND

The Tuensang District Hospital has been given the Kayakalp Award 2022-2023 for the best government district hospital in Nagaland. Tuensang district hospital also received the Eco-friendly award. CHC Aboi Mon bagged the best Community Health Centre category award and the award for the Best Primary Health Centre was given to Chuchuyimlang. Nagaland Health and Family Welfare Minister, P Paiwang Konyak credited the Kayakalp initiative as a boost to the community's involvement in health related activities.

WEATHER

The Indian Meteorological Department has said that isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall is likely over Northeast India. Moderate flash flood risk is likely over a few watersheds and neighborhoods in Assam and Meghalaya and northwestern parts of Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram and Tripura.
