THE HEADLINES:-

- 1. Nagaland Finance Department declares 30th March 2024 as transaction day for State Treasuries and banks in the State.
- 2. Various districts announce conduct of medical examination for polling personnel seeking exemption from election duty.
- 3. Deputy Commissioner's office in Peren Head Quarter temporarily shifts to ADC Office Peren Town.
- 4. Dimapur DC and DEO conducts 1st Phase training for Presiding Officers and First Polling Officers held at Dimapur Government College.



To enable clearance of Government bills during March 2024, Nagaland Finance Department has declared this Saturday the 30th of March 2024, which is a non-transaction day, as transaction day for both State Treasuries and banks in the State.



Deputy Commissioner, DC and District Election Officer, DEO of various districts have announced the constitution of Medical Boards and notified conduct of medical examination for polling personnel who are seeking exemption from election duty or have applied for leave. For Wokha district, the medical board will conduct examination of applicants tomorrow at Dr. Motsuo Memorial District Hospital, Wokha. It has been informed that there will be only one sitting of the Medical Board during which the applicants must appear in person before the board. Phek district Medical Board will hold medical examination on April 3 at the Office complex of the DC and DEO, Phek. Meanwhile, Mokokchung DC and DEO, Thsuvisie Phoji informed all polling personnel and grade four staff/MTS requisitioned for election duty that the District Medical Board will conduct medical examination of applicants on 1st April at Planning Hall, Office of the District Planning Officer, Mokokchung.



Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Peren Nagaland, Vineet Kumar has informed that the Deputy Commissioner office in Peren Head Quarter has temporarily shifted to ADC Office Peren Town to ensure smooth conduct of the Lok Sabha election 2024. Deputy Commissioner also informed that the office will shift back to Peren head quarter from 22nd April 2024.



The Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer, Dimapur, today organized the 1st Phase training for Presiding Officers and First Polling Officers at Dimapur Government College. The training was held for officers from Dimapur, Chümoukedima, and Nuiland. DC and DEO, Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang said that election officials are taking proactive measures to equip Presiding Officers and First Polling Officers with the necessary skills and knowledge to effectively manage polling stations and uphold the integrity of the electoral process during the Lok Sabha elections in 2024. He also showed his appreciation to the female officials for the efforts despite having families to look after and wished all the best to the trainees. Speaking during the training, ADC and ARO Dimapur-I, Mhalo Humtsoe, encouraged the trainees to seek assistance from the master trainers whenever required. Key topics covered during the training session included setting up EVMs, mock poll, procedures for sealing EVMs and VVPAT machines, sequence of events during polling. More than 256 female and 940 male Presiding Officers and First Polling Officers participated in the training.



In view of the upcoming General Election to Lok Sabha 2024, Tuensang Deputy Commissioner today held a co-ordination meeting with Sector Officers and Sector Commanders at DC's Conference Hall Tuensang. During the meeting, Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer, A. Zibenthung Kithan highlighted the duties and responsibilities of the Sector Officers and Sector Commanders. He informed them to co-ordinate and co-operate with each other. The DC further urged them to physically visit their respective polling stations. Tuensang Superintendent of Police, Kanchan Kumar Kandpal briefed about the security arrangements and preparedness for conduct of the general election.



President Droupadi Murmu today accepted credentials from the Envoys of five nations at a ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan. The Envoys are, Ambassador of Philippines Josel Francisco Ignacio, Ambassador of Uzbekistan Sardor Rustambaev, Ambassador of Belarus Mikhail Kasko, High Commissioner of Kenya Peter Maina Munyiri and Ambassador of Georgia Vakhtang Jaoshvili.



The first randomization of EVMs/VVPATs for upcoming General Election to the 18th Lok Sabha was conducted by the Office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Pughoboto, yesterday. Representatives from recognized political parties including Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas), Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party and Indian National Congress witnessed the exercise in the presence of ADC and DEO Pughoboto. The second randomization of EVMs/VVPATs will be conducted on 3rd April 2024 in Kohima.



Mon Deputy Commissioner, Ajit Kumar Verma has urged all heads of offices in the district to be well-prepared and to effectively discharge their duties for successful conduct of the forthcoming general election to Lok Sabha 2024. The Deputy Commissioner who is also the Vice Chairman DPDB, Mon, was speaking at the Mon District Planning and Development Board meeting yesterday. During the meeting, District Planning officer, V Aron Sema highlighted the house about the High Level District Development Review for all development projects estimated above One Crore rupees in the district.



Peren Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Vineet Kumar has directed all the Village Council Goanbura/Town Council and ward Authorities to ensure free and fair conduct of election and for all eligible Voters. The order was issued in pursuance to the letter from Commissioner and Returnig Officer-1, Nagaland parliamentary Constituency. The DC directed the village, town and ward authorities to ensure that all eligible voters are able to cast their votes without fear or intimidation in all polling stations under their respective Jurisdiction.



Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari has said that Balakot like operations have shown that given the political will, aerospace power can be effectively carried out beyond enemy lines. Chaudhari said this in his inaugural address at the 15th Jumbo Majumdar International Seminar on Aerospace Power in Future Conflicts in New Delhi today. He said, militarization and weaponization of space has become an inevitable reality as nations increasingly rely on space-based assets for building strategic advantage. He said, air and space control along with denial capabilities will prove to be decisive for furtherance of all operations. The Air Chief highlighted that blockchain and artificial intelligence could make existing weapons and inventories redundant. He said, to be able to fight in such an environment there is a need to re-imagine, realign and reform.



The Election Commission is leveraging Technology with 27 IT Apps and Systems during the Elections. The use of technology through apps and portals has made the process easier for candidates, people as well as for officials who are closely monitoring the electoral process. A Report says that through online Suvidha Portal, candidates are filing nominations and Affidavit. Candidates are also using the portal to seek permissions for meetings and rallies. It also ensures a Level Playing Field – First in First Out. Through Voter Helpline App VHA people can apply forms online, view polling booth details and download E-EPIC Election photo identity card. C-Vigil App is used for recording, reporting, and resolving violations.



Home Guards and Civil Defence Department along with the State Disaster Response Force Mon today conducted training on disaster management for students and staff of Government Higher Secondary School, Mon. During the training, personnel of Home Guards and Civil Defence and State Disaster Response Force lead by Lipoksashi Aier demonstrated on CPR, bandaging and emergency method of rescuing under the supervision of Company Commander, Lichemse Sangtam.

