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HEADLINES:-

- In Tripura, electioneering is gradually picking up in the run-up to the first two phases of the Lok Sabha election on April 19 and April 26.
- Meghalaya Chief Electoral Officer of Meghalaya Dr. B.D.R Tiwari chairs a meeting on putting in place an Air Ambulance during the Lok Sabha General Elections 2024.
- Indian National Congress announces its candidates for the two seats of Lok Sabha Elections, while the ruling party BJP is yet to declare its candidate in Manipur.
- National People's Party candidate for Lok Sabha poll Ampareen Lyngdoh files her nomination papers from Shillong Parliamentary seat.
- Zoram People's Movement party candidate for the upcoming Lok Sabha election 2024, Richard Vanlahmangaiha (Richie), files his nomination at the District Election Officer's office.
- Citizen Action Party releases its first list of candidates for the upcoming Sikkim assembly elections.
- Meghalaya's Public Health Engineering Department observes the World Water Day 2024 at U Soso Tham Auditorium in Shillong.

TRIPURA

In Tripura, electioneering is gradually picking up in the run-up to the first two phases of the Lok Sabha election on April 19 and April 26. Major parties have geared up canvassing. Out of the two Lok Sabha seats, the Tripura West parliamentary seat will go to polls on April 19 while the Tripura East will go to poll on April 26. Akashvani's correspondent reports that campaigning by political parties is gradually gearing up in the state. Major political parties are presently canvassing through door-to-door campaigns. Also, election machinery has started conducting training programs for polling staff in different districts.

MEDICAL

In view of the Preparation for the upcoming Lok Sabha Elections, the Chief Electoral Officer of Meghalaya Dr. B.D.R Tiwari yesterday chaired a meeting with the Nodal Officer from the Head Quarter Eastern Air Command Upper Shillong and Group Captain A. Sharma, the Director of NEIGRIHMS Nalin Mehta, the Transport Department of Meghalaya, the Directorate of Health Services (MI), State Nodal Officer CAPF, discussing on putting in place an Air Ambulance during the Lok Sabha General Elections 2024. The CEO has emphasized on the ECI's concern over health care and best ever facilities for medical treatment on cashless basis and also informed that even though the weather challenge in state, all needful arrangements for airlifting in medical emergency have to be put in place as per ECI's direction.

MANIPUR

The Indian National Congress announced its candidates for the two seats of Lok Sabha Elections, while the ruling party BJP is yet to declare its candidate in Manipur. Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee President K. Meghachandra announced that the Professor of Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, Angomcha Bimon Akoijam and former MLA Alfred Kan-Ngam Arthur will contest in the Inner (Manipur) Lok Sabha and Outer (Manipur), respectively. However, the CPI, Congress and Naga Peoples Fronts (NPF) have declared their candidate so far.

QUIT

The National People's Party candidate for Lok Sabha poll Ampareen Lyngdoh from Shillong Parliamentary seat filed her nomination papers yesterday. Lyngdoh along with her supporters marched to the DC office and filed her nomination. Cabinet Ministers including Sniawbhalang Dhar, Prestone Tynsong and others were also present at the time of filing the nomination papers. In an unexpected political development ahead of Lok Sabha election scheduled on the 19th April, the BJP has decided to quit from the electoral race in Meghalaya to support the NDA and Meghalaya Democratic Alliance ally.

NOMINATION

The Zoram People's Movement party candidate for the upcoming Lok Sabha election 2024, Richard Vanlalhmangaiha (Richie), filed his nomination at the District Election Officer's office yesterday. Speaking to reporters after filing his nomination, Richard said that whether he will be with the NDA or INDIA if elected, will be decided by his party's high command. Richard also said that his main focus if elected an MP will be to work for the development of Mizoram, and though he is going to fight with MNF's MP candidate and sitting Rajya Sabha MP K.

ELECTION

The Citizen Action Party has released its first list of candidates for the upcoming Sikkim assembly elections. In its first list, the CAP announced 14 candidates for the upcoming Sikkim assembly elections. Sikkim comprises 32 assembly seats and one Lok Sabha constituency. CAP has decided to contest the Sikkim assembly elections independently, without forming any alliances. Additionally, the CAP party stated that candidates for the remaining 18 assembly seats in Sikkim and the lone Lok Sabha constituency from the state will be announced by March 24.

WATER:

The Public Health Engineering Department observed the World Water Day 2024 at U Soso Tham Auditorium, Shillong. The theme for the World Water Day celebration this year was 'Water for Peace'. Speaking on the occasion Chief Secretary D.P Wahlang, emphasized the profound significance of water in our lives and its role in fostering peace and prosperity. The theme for this year, 'water for peace', urges everyone to recognize the vital importance of water in promoting cooperation, harmony, and sustainable development. He highlighted Jal Jeevan Mission's crucial role in providing access to clean drinking water for all. Meghalaya is blessed with abundant rainfall, rich water sources, and stunning landscapes, there is also a pressing concern to sustainably safeguard these water sources and water bodies, the Chief Secretary added.
