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THE HEADLINES:

- **World Earth Day being celebrated today; Prime Minister Narendra Modi reaffirms commitment to nurture nature.**
- **Dimapur Chamber of Commerce and Industry calls for indefinite shutter down from April 26 over multiple taxations, intimidations.**
- **Nagaland Board of School Education to declare HSLC and HSSLC results on April 26.**
- **India's 17-year-old D Gukesh wins Candidates Chess Tournament to become youngest challenger for World Championship Title.**



World Earth Day is being celebrated today across the globe to support environmental conservation efforts. This observance with the global theme 'Planet vs. Plastics' spotlights the critical problem of plastic pollution and its detrimental effects on nature. In a message, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, on Earth Day, we reaffirm our commitment to nurture nature so that our planet can have a better future. Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio, on

the occasion, urged all to be mindful and protect the planet from plastic pollution by taking suitable actions, big or small. Rio said, every effort counts in creating a healthier and a more sustainable world.



To protest unabated harassment meted out to the business community by Naga political groups, Dimapur Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DCCI) has resolved to go for indefinite shutter down of all business establishments in Dimapur from April 26. The shutter down will be enforced until grievances of the business community are redressed, it said, highlighting issues like multiple taxations, intimidations and summon letters by NPGs. The Chamber called upon the state government and law enforcement agencies to take immediate measures to safeguard the business community. It also requested the public to bear with the inconveniences due to the proposed shutter down, and to lend their cooperation for the interest and welfare of all citizens. DCCI reminded the business community not to entertain any call or summons by various NPGs without its knowledge. The Chamber further asserted that the business community was not against any group or factions, but only against multiple taxations and extortion.



Nagaland Board of School Education, NBSE, will declare the provisional results for High School Leaving Certificate (HSLC) and Higher Secondary School Leaving Certificate (HSSLC) examinations 2024 on the afternoon of April 26. In a notification today, NBSE said, the results will be made available on both print and digital modes. Soft copies of the results can be accessed on web portals www.nbsenl.edu.in, www.indiaresults.com, www.results.shiksha, and www.jagranjosh.com. NBSE said results can also be accessed on its Android Mobile App. Meanwhile, printed form of provisional Result Gazettes will be issued to all the registered institutions of the Board along with the marksheets and pass certificates. In this regard, NBSE has asked Centre Superintendent or authorized representatives to collect the documents between May 3 and 6. The board also informed that provision to download migration certificates will be given on its portal www.nbsenl.edu.in.



Chairman of Nagaland Bamboo Development Authority, Nuzota Swuro, today urged Gaon Buras (GBs) to exhibit honesty, practice patience and work for the welfare of the community. Addressing the general meeting of Chokri Area GB Union at

Phusachodu Village under Phek district, Swuro underscored the need to revisit the age-old good practices of the society while giving respect to elders. He expressed concern over the diminishing folktales, knowledge about history and lore, besides folk songs and other cultural practices. While noting that technology has become an essential part of living, he highlighted, human reliance on computer and internet alone poses imminent danger to traditional practices due to the lack of human relations and community bonding. In this regard, Swuro stressed upon the need to revive the good practices and build a traditionally rooted society for posterity.



Today is the last date of withdrawal of candidature for the third phase of Lok Sabha polls. A total of 94 Lok Sabha seats in 10 States and two Union Territories will go to polls in this phase on the 7th of next month. All 26 Parliamentary seats of Gujarat, 14 seats of Karnataka, 11 seats of Maharashtra, ten seats of Uttar Pradesh will go to poll in this phase. Besides, eight seats of Madhya Pradesh, seven seats of Chhattisgarh, five seats of Bihar, Four seats each in Assam and West Bengal, two seats each in Goa and Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, and one seat in Jammu and Kashmir will go to polls in this phase.



Mokokchung Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Thsuvisie Phoji has informed on the payment of charges for vehicles hired during the recently conducted Lok Sabha Elections. Payments for local taxis and private vehicles from within the district, and vehicles requisitioned through village councils will be disbursed on the 25th and 26th of this month. For pick-up, buses and vehicles from Assam and other states, the payments will be made on April 29 and 30. In Phek, payment of vehicle hiring charges will commence tomorrow until April 26 at the DC Office Transport Cell during office hours. In this regard, all vehicle owners or drivers have been directed to claim the hiring charges by producing the requisition order and other relevant documents.



In Manipur, re-polling at 11 Polling Stations of Inner Manipur Parliamentary Constituency concluded successfully today. The re-polling was conducted from 7 AM to 5 PM amidst tight security arrangements. Voter turnout in the re-poll till 3 PM was 73.05 percent. Re-polling was held in seven Polling Stations of Imphal East district and four in Imphal West district after the voting on April 19 in the first phase saw riots, violence and proxy voting.

CEO Manipur submitted a report on the same to the Election Commission of India.



Advisor to Chief Minister and Chairman of Investment & Development Authority of Nagaland, Abu Metha called on Australian Consul-General, Hugh Boylan in Kolkata today. He was accompanied by Chairman of TaFMA, Theja Meru. The meeting discussed various issues related to strengthening bilateral ties and future collaborations including possibilities of investment opportunities and cultural exchanges. Today's meeting is a follow-up of Boylan's recent visit to Nagaland during which he called on the Governor, the Chief Minister, and the Chief Secretary.



In Chess, 17-year-old Indian prodigy, Dommaraju Gukesh made history as the youngest-ever player to win the FIDE Candidates tournament. Gukesh became the youngest-ever Candidates Tournament champion, beating Garry Kasparov's record, who was 20 years of age when he won this tournament in 1984. After Vishwanathan Anand, he becomes the second Indian to qualify for the World Chess Championship. With this victory, Gukesh will challenge the reigning Champion Ding Liren of China in the World

Chess Championship match. Lauding Gukesh for his outstanding performance, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, the country is exceptionally proud of Gukesh on becoming the youngest-ever player to win the FIDE Candidates. Modi said, Gukesh's outstanding performance and journey inspires millions of people.

