

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- 1. Polling in the first phase of Lok Sabha elections witnesses enthusiastic participation by voters despite heat wave.**
- 2. In Manipur, voting for the first phase Lok Sabha Election 2024 held without any major violence incident and also recorded high voter turnout.**
- 3. Polling for two Lok Sabha seats passes off peacefully in Meghalaya.**
- 4. Meghalaya Director General of Police, LR Bishnoi along with Deputy Inspector General, Davis NR Marak visited polling stations to ensure free and fair election.**
- 5. In Nagaland, polling for the General Election to the Lok Sabha 2024 concluded peacefully in 2342 polling stations across the districts of the state.**
- 6. The filing of nominations for the third phase of Lok Sabha polls ended yesterday.**

LOK SABHA

Polling in the first phase of the Lok Sabha elections ended at 5.00 p.m. yesterday. Polling was largely peaceful with voters from various walks participating enthusiastically despite heat wave in a dazzling display of civic responsibility and pride. Of the 102 Parliamentary constituencies, 11 Lok Sabha seats are reserved for ST and 18 seats are reserved for SC. These constituencies are spread over 17 states and four Union Territories. Elaborate security arrangements were made and all international borders and inter-state borders were sealed to ensure peaceful elections.

POLLING

In Manipur, voting for the first phase Lok Sabha Election 2024 was held without any major violence incident and recorded high voter turnout. As per ECI report available at 5 P.M. yesterday, the voter turnout in Inner Manipur Parliamentary Constituency is 72.32 percent while the Outer Parliamentary Constituency recorded 61.98 voter turnout. The Inner Manipur Parliamentary Constituency consists of 32 assembly constituencies and four assembly constituencies crossed 80 percent voter turnout. On the other hand, the three assembly segments of Kangpokpi district of Manipur which is under Outer Manipur Parliamentary Constituency recorded lowest voter turnout yesterday. The voter turnout of the district is around 30 percent at 5 PM yesterday compared to the overall voter turnout of Outer Manipur Parliamentary Constituency which was 61.98 percent.

MEGHALAYA

In Meghalaya, polling for two Lok Sabha seat passed off peacefully yesterday and people stood in long queues in many polling booths since 6 am. Tura MP and candidate of the National People's Party, Agatha K Sangma cast her vote at Walbakgre polling station along with her brother, Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma. Shillong MP and Congress candidate, Vincent H Pala cast his vote at Lamyrsiang polling station in his village falling under Sutnga Assembly constituency of the Shillong Parliamentary seat. NPP candidate for the Shillong Parliamentary seat, Ampareen Lyngdoh cast her vote at the polling station in Laitumkrah. Voice of the Peoples Party candidate Ricky J Syngkon after casting his vote expressed confidence that the party will cross the winning margins after getting feedback from his supporters.

VISITS

Meghalaya Director General of Police (DGP), LR Bishnoi along with Deputy Inspector General (DIG) Davis NR Marak yesterday visited various polling stations in both urban and the outskirts of Shillong to ensure a free and peaceful election. While speaking to reporters after inspecting the polling stations, Bishnoi said that the officials were satisfied and happy with the arrangement. The DGP also informed that adequate security was deployed in all the polling stations including vulnerable and critical polling stations.

NAGALAND

In Nagaland, Polling for the General Election to the Lok Sabha 2024 concluded peacefully in 2342 polling stations across the districts of the state. Addressing a press conference in Kohima last evening, Chief Electoral Officer Nagaland Vyasan R said the state witnessed by and large peaceful polling with no report of any major untoward incident. He said, the state had a fairly uniform polling all through the day and at the close of polling at 4 PM, the voting percentage was recorded at 56. Mr Vyasan said, the end of poll numbers would be made available on April 20. He also informed that at the level of Returning Officer would be compiling the number polling stations wise and Assembly constituencies wise today.

FILING

The filing of nominations for the third phase of Lok Sabha polls ended yesterday. 94 Parliamentary seats in 10 States and two Union Territories will go to polls in this phase on the 7th of May. Scrutiny of papers will take place today. Monday is the last day for the withdrawal of candidature. Campaigning has intensified for the subsequent phases of Lok Sabha Polls, with senior leaders of various political parties addressing multiple rallies across the country.
