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President Droupadi Murmu and Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar extended greetings to all civil servants across the country on Civil Services Day today. In a social media post, the President praised Civil servants for carrying forward the great legacy of working for the country's progress with an indefatigable spirit. Meanwhile, the Vice President expressed hope that they continue to dedicate themselves towards building a Viksit Bharat by 2047.

Chief Election Officer Pawan Kumar Sain in a press conference yesterday informed about the health issues suffered by on duty polling officers and security officials, leading to two deaths during the simultaneous Parliamentary and Legislative Assembly elections held on Friday. The CEO informed that Balupothar Polling Officer Chaugdam Yangchang has succumbed to cardiac arrest, IRBn Passang Dondup passed away during Naka duty in Kamle district, while Daggong Presiding Officer Sanjay Pal is undergoing treatment for a heart stroke suffered during mock poll and Rungong Returning Officer Kesang Goiba suffered from a mild stroke and is undergoing treatment. Meanwhile, one injured casual labourer Nampoong Re kang is also undergoing treatment. Furthermore, the CEO said that as an ex-gratia payment of Rs 15 lakh each will be given by the Election Commission to the next of kin of the Late Dhondup and Late Yangchang at the earliest. He also stated that compensations permissible for person(s) suffering injuries or falling ill while on poll duty will also be given to the polling personnel currently undergoing treatment.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) has begun the registration process for the University Grants Commission National Eligibility Test, UGC NET June 2024. Interested candidates can apply for the NET through the link available on the official website. The registration process will remain open till the 10th of May.

State Assembly Speaker Pasang Dorjee Sona yesterday has urged the Border Roads Organization (BRO) to expedite the double-lane highway work in Shi-Yomi district. Sona called upon Director General Border Roads (DGBR) Lt General Raghu Srinivasan at Mechukha. The speaker expressed serious concern over the delay in

the double-laning work in the district, particularly Tato to Mechukha stretch. Meanwhile, the DG Border Road has assured to improve the road. He also informed that the construction of the Pene-Tato double-lane road will start in May, as the survey work is already finished.

The simultaneous elections of parliamentary at Itanagar, Doimukh and Sagalee Assembly segments and the State Legislative Assembly for Doimukh Assembly seat went off smoothly on Friday, with no untoward incident reported in the district. In spite of EVM malfunctions at few polling stations, the voting process was completed smoothly in all 150 polling stations under Papum Pare district. The Itanagar has recorded a low voters' turnout with 33.81 percent in Papum Pare district. Contrast to it, Doimukh and Sagalee saw higher voters' turnout with 79.48 percent and 71.85 percent. Further, Polling station wise, in Itanagar, the Central Library office building, Itanagar has recorded the lowest voters' turnout at 19.9 percent, while, the Government Primary School building, Hostalam in Naharlagun has recorded the highest with 84.91 percent. Further ahead, in Doimukh circle, Belo saw highest voters' turnout with 98.7 percent and Karsingsa as the lowest with 49.8 percent. Furthermore, in Sagalee circle, the Government Primary School, Rach Tabio has the highest with 93.07 percent voters' turnout and Government Middle School, Mengio has recorded the lowest at 55.4 percent.

The polling data for East Siang was released yesterday by East Siang DEO Tayi Taggu, who informed that the polling recorded good voters' turnout despite inclement weather. Pasighat East has the lowest voters' turnout with 78.57 percent, While, Mebo was the highest with 90.64 percent and Pasighat West with 88.47 percent. Meanwhile, GUPS Ayeng Polling Station was reported to have started from Friday till 4:20 am on Saturday. Meanwhile, all the polling teams have returned safely and deposited polled EVMs to the receiving center, set up at DC's office.

The retrieving process of polling teams of all polling booths under Nari-Koyu and Likabali Assembly Constituencies of Lower Siang district is completed after the reporting by polling teams of Hipo and Riche-Rite polling stations to the retrieving centre at Likabali in Lower Siang district yesterday. Meanwhile, the General Observers of Likabali and Nari-Koyu, Supreet Singh Gulati and Dilip

Rautrai held a mandatory post-poll scrutiny meeting with the District Election Officer, Returning Officers and Assistant Returning Officers in presence of the respective presiding officers and election agents of all contesting candidates. Further, the polled EVMs and VVPATs along with important papers were safely kept in a sealed strong room. The district witnessed a high voters' turnout with an overall 81.47 percent, in which female voting percentage superseding their male counterparts with 85.61 percent.

Balraj Panwar clinched India's first Paris Olympics quota in rowing by securing third position in the men's single scull event for the 2024 World Asian and Oceanian Olympic and Paralympic Qualification Regatta at Chungju in South Korea today.

In Chess, India's 17 year old sensation, D. Gukesh became the sole leader of the FIDE Candidates 2024 ahead of the final round in Toronto, Canada today. Gukesh, at 8.5 points will take on Hikaru Nakamura of USA, with black pieces in the last round tomorrow morning.

That's all in this news bulletin, Namaskar.