

Morning News Script

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National Democratic Alliance, NDA yesterday held election rally at Agri Expo site, Chumoukedima, Nagaland. Senior leaders of the alliance including Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio, Deputy Chief Minister Y Patton and National BJP President JP Nadda addressed the rally. Speaking at the rally, PDA consensus candidate for the Lok Sabha seat from Nagaland, Dr. Chumben Murry said that he is standing on the regional platform of NDPP which stands for the identity of the Nagas. Dr Murry said all 60 legislators of the state have come together to resolve the Naga political issue which is important for all the Nagas. He said the coming together is not just for show of strength but for unity which is very important at this juncture. Dr. Murry pledged to work under the guidance of the Chief Minister and former parliamentarians, representing the aspirations of the Naga people. Senior NDPP leader and Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio said the NDA's alliance with minor parties emphasizes the inclusive approach to governance. The Chief Minister praised BJP's support for regional parties like NDPP, respecting regional identities. Senior BJP leader and Deputy Chief Minister Y Patton said that PDA government of Nagaland in alliance with the NDA at the Centre, have been closely working with trust and confidence for more than two decades. Patton appealed voters to support Dr. Murry so that he will be a part of the ruling government at the centre and carry the voice of the people. National BJP President JP Nadda highlighted the centre's decisive approach to development and peace efforts in the Northeast. Nadda assured continued support for Nagaland's mainstreaming and promised to champion the voices of people under Prime Minister Modi's leadership.

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A delegation of Sumi Youth Organization, SYO yesterday held a solidarity meet with the Eastern Nagaland Peoples' Organization, ENPO, Eastern Nagaland Women Organization, ENWO, and Eastern Naga Students' Federation, ENSF at the CKS Hall in Tuensang Headquarter. SYO led by its President Hikavi H Kinimi reiterated their organization's unwavering commitment to standing by the people of Eastern Nagaland during their trials and tribulations. SYO further urged for continued unity in pursuit of the broader Naga cause. While appreciating the gesture shown by SYO, the ENPO remarked that it will go down in the history of Eastern Nagaland for ages to come. Meanwhile, ENPO refuted the statement of Nagaland Home Minister who said that initially ENPO never consulted State Government.

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A team of Eastern Nagaland Peoples' Organization, Eastern Nagaland Women Organization and Eastern Naga Students' Federation visited and held a joint meeting with Tuensang village on the public's decision to refrain from participating in any central and state election. During the meeting held on Friday, Tuensang village citizens pledged their full cooperation to the decision taken by the public of Eastern Nagaland. Further, President of Citizen Union and former President of CKS, N Kaimang Chang, proposed that individuals from Eastern Nagaland who do not

adhere to the public movement should face ex-communication.

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The Congress last evening released another list of 16 candidates for the Lok Sabha elections. The list includes the names of four candidates for Gujarat, two for Himachal Pradesh, one for Chandigarh and nine candidates for Odisha. Congress MP Manish Tewari will contest from Chandigarh Lok Sabha seat while Himachal Pradesh Minister Vkramaditya Singh will contest from Mandi seat where BJP has fielded Kangana Ranaut. Former Union Minister Srikant Jena will fight from Balasore seat in Odisha.

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The nation is paying homage to the Chief Architect of Indian Constitution Dr B R Ambedkar on his 134th birth anniversary today. Several functions will be organized throughout the country to mark the occasion. The main function will be held at Parliament House Lawn where floral tributes will be paid to him at his Statue. President Droupadi Murmu and Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar have greeted the people on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Dr Ambedkar.

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