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# **HEADLINES**:-

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- The Manipur police arrested three people in connection with the firing incident on polling day last Friday at Moirangkampu Primary School in Imphal East district.
- In Arunachal Pradesh, fresh polls will be held in eight polling stations of four Assembly constituencies on 24th April.
- A polling official and a constable of the Indian Reserve Battalion died due to cardiac arrest during simultaneous assembly and Lok Sabha elections in Arunachal Pradesh on 19th April.
- Campaigning for the remaining phases of the general elections has intensified with completion of the first phase on 19th April.
- The residents of Block II in Ri-Bhoi have expressed gratitude to the district administration for ensuring smooth voting process during the recent Lok Sabha elections in Meghalaya.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi yesterday said that the world is looking towards India to ensure global peace in these times of conflict.
- Shillong, once renowned for its cleanliness, is now grappling with garbage issues, prompting the East Khasi Hills District Administration to take action.
- The weather department has forecast that widespread light to moderate rainfall accompanied by isolated thunderstorms and lightning is expected over north eastern states.

#### MANIPUR

Re-polling is being held at eleven polling stations of Inner Manipur Parliamentary Constituency today. The Election Commission has directed the State Election authority to conduct the voting from 7 AM to 5 PM. These eleven polling stations saw mob violence, riot, destruction of EVM and election machines. Proxy voting in the first phase polls of Lok Sabha Election was also reported from Manipur on Friday. Additional security arrangement is in place today for smooth, free and fair voting.

# FIRING

The Manipur police arrested three people in connection with the firing incident on polling day, which took place on Friday at Moirangkampu Primary School in Imphal East district. During the incident, a man sustained bullet injuries in the indiscriminate firing that took place. The victim was rushed to a private hospital for further treatment. Following the incident, irate voters destroyed EVMs and VVPAT by setting them on fire.

#### ARUNACHAL

In Arunachal Pradesh, fresh polls will be held in eight polling stations of four Assembly constituencies on 24th April. The timing for the polling has been fixed from 6 am to 2 pm. The Election Commission has declared the polling held on the 19th of this month at these polling stations for Parliamentary and Assembly elections void. Repolling will be held at one polling station each in Bameng and Nyapin assembly constituencies, two in Rumgong and four in Nacho Assembly Constituency.

#### DEAD

A polling official and a constable of the Indian Reserve Battalion died due to cardiac arrest during simultaneous assembly and Lok Sabha elections in Arunachal Pradesh on 19th April, a top poll official said. Three others have been admitted to hospitals after suffering heart attacks. Polling Officer Changdam Yangchang, deployed at Balupothar polling station in Bordumsa in Changlang district, died while being taken to hospital after suffering heart attack during polling.

#### CAMPAIGNING

Campaigning for the remaining phases of the general elections has intensified with the completion of the first phase on 19<sup>th</sup> April. Senior leaders and star campaigners of all political parties, including the Grand Alliance and the NDA, are holding multiple rallies across the country to woo the voters. In this phase among the north-eastern states, elections will be held for five seats in Assam and one seat in Tripura.

#### **BLOCK**

The residents of Block II in Ri-Bhoi District have expressed gratitude to the district administration for ensuring smooth voting process during the recent Lok Sabha elections in Meghalaya. Despite the absence of local polling stations due to the ongoing dispute between Meghalaya and Assam, voters from the 18 villages cast their votes peacefully last Friday. The Synjuk ki Rangbah Shnong Border Area praised the peaceful participation of Block II residents and thanked the government for ensuring security, especially in vulnerable areas prior to the elections.

## MODI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi yesterday said that the world is looking towards India to ensure global peace in these times of conflict. Mr. Modi said that credit for this new role of New India is being given to its growing capabilities, foreign policy, and cultural image. He was addressing a gathering after inaugurating the 2550th Bhagwan Mahaveer Nirvan Mahotsav at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi on the auspicious occasion of Mahaveer Jayanti.

#### CLEANLINESS

Shillong, once renowned for its cleanliness, is now grappling with garbage issues, prompting the East Khasi Hills District Administration to take action. Despite being a tourist hub, the city is marred by roadside dumping and cleanliness concerns. East Khasi Hills Deputy Commissioner SC Sadhu, highlighted ongoing efforts with the Urban Affairs department and Shillong Municipal Board, emphasizing consultations with stakeholders. Post-elections, cleanliness will be a priority, with a focus on improving hygiene and appearance, the DC said.

### WEATHER

The weather department has forecast that widespread light to moderate rainfall accompanied by isolated thunderstorms and lightning is expected over Arunachal Pradesh. Scattered to fairly widespread rainfall is expected over Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, and Tripura till the 24th of this month.

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