

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- Repolling at 8 polling stations under Arunachal West Parliamentary Constituency in Arunachal Pradesh conducted smoothly and peacefully with total voters' turnout of 79.8 percent.
- All top political leaders in Assam make their last efforts to woo voters in their campaign for second phase Lok Sabha polls; polling personnel leave for polling booths in far-flung areas of Karimganj, Dima Hasao and Karbi Anglong districts.
- Election authority in Manipur takes all measures to conduct second phase of Lok Sabha polls in thirteen assembly segments under Outer Manipur Parliamentary Constituency.
- Heavy thunderstorms along with hail lash various parts of Manipur and disrupt normal life in State.
- Mizoram is on high alert as African Swine Fever strikes again resulting in deaths of as many as 174 pigs.
- Meghalaya's South West Garo Hills Police confirm arrest of three youth from South Salmara district in Assam in connection with sexual assault of two minor girls and assault of two boys during annual Chenga Benga Mela at Gandhipara in South West Garo Hills.

REPOLL:

In Arunachal Pradesh, repolling at 8 polling stations under Arunachal West Parliamentary Constituency was conducted smoothly and peacefully yesterday with a total voter turnout of 79.8 percent. The repolling was held at one polling station each in Bameng and Nyapin assembly constituencies, two in Rungong and four in Nacho Assembly constituencies. Earlier, the Election Commission of India has declared the voting held on the 19th of this month at these polling stations for Parliamentary and Assembly elections as void. Simultaneous elections for the two parliamentary constituencies and new Legislative Assembly of Arunachal Pradesh were held on the 19th of this month in a single phase.

ASSAM:

In Assam, all top political leaders are making their last efforts to woo the voters in their campaign for the second phase Lok Sabha polls to be held in five seats. There are 61 candidates in the fray in this phase. Chief Minister and senior BJP leader Himanta Biswa Sarma held a rally at Dalgaon while State Congress President Bhupen Kumar Borah addressed a meeting at Nagaon constituency. AIUDF President Badruddin Ajmal, Bodoland People's Party chief Hagrama Mahilary also held election rallies yesterday. Meanwhile polling personnel have left for their respective polling booths located in far-flung areas of Karimganj, Dima Hasao and Karbi Anglong districts. For the rest of the polling booths, polling and security personnel will leave today. Over 77 lakh voters can exercise their voting rights to decide the fate of several prominent leaders in the second phase of polls including Congress MP Pradyut Bordoloi who is seeking re-election from Nagaon seat. All the seats are likely to see a triangular contest.

POLLING:

In Manipur, the election authority has taken up all measures to conduct the second phase of Lok Sabha polls in thirteen assembly segments covering eight districts under Outer Manipur Parliamentary Constituency. Polling officials along with security personnel deputed for the polling stations in Tamenglong, Ukhrul, Kamjong have left for their designated polling stations yesterday. The polling teams for far flung areas have also started their journey to designated polling stations. The polls will be conducted at 856 polling stations including special polling stations set up for Internally Displaced Persons. Four candidates including Congress, Naga Peoples' Front and two Independents are in fray for the Outer Manipur Parliamentary Constituency.

WEATHER:

Heavy thunderstorms along with hail which lashed various parts of Manipur yesterday has disrupted normal life in the State. The storm which lasted for half an hour hampered traffic movement in Imphal city while it blew away houses and fences in other districts. Many trees were also uprooted which destroyed houses and blocked various inter-village roads. A hail storm was reported in Dolang Chiru village under Noney district destroying tin roofs of residential houses and standing crops in the area. Strong winds and hails were witnessed in the border district of Jiribam resulting in the uprooting of trees and electric poles. Damage to houses was also reported from Lilong under Thoubal district and Nambol under Bishnupur district.

ASF:

In Mizoram, the state is on high alert as the African Swine Fever strikes again, resulting in the deaths of as many as 174 pigs. The outbreak of the disease has been confirmed in three districts: Aizawl, Champhai and Saitual. The Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department has declared various villages and localities as infected areas following the confirmation of the outbreak of the disease. Strict measures have been taken including prohibition of pig export or import from infected zones, besides sale or slaughter of both healthy and sick pigs. Dead pigs must be buried with lime powder in designated areas. Between May 2023 and April 2024, Mizoram has witnessed the loss of 1,213 pigs due to African Swine Fever.

ARREST:

In Meghalaya, South West Garo Hills Police have confirmed the arrest of three youth from South Salmara district in Assam in connection with the sexual assault of two minor girls and two boys in a paddy field during the annual Chenga Benga Mela at Gandhipara near Garobadha in South West Garo Hills on the 16th of this month. One more accused was also arrested yesterday. Police said that all the four are from South Salmara, Assam and more arrests will be made.
