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HEADLINES

- Myanmar requires Centre to take certain precautions as government gives top priority to country's security including Mizoram.
- Kokrajhar police in Assam arrest four militants of banned outfit Kamatapur Liberation Organization allegedly involved in various anti-social activities including hurling of grenade at Dotma Bazar last year.
- Campaign for simultaneous elections for lone Lok Sabha seat and 32 assembly seats gains momentum in Sikkim.
- BJP releases Vision Document for Mizoram and promises upgradation of Zoram Medical College to Regional Institute of Medical Sciences level.
- BJP National President, JP Nadda will address National Democratic Alliance election rally for Lok Sabha polls in Nagaland.
- Aam Aadmi Party leader and Punjab Chief Minister, Bhagwant Mann will campaign at Tinsukia and Sonitpur in Assam for party candidates today.
- Nagaland secures first place followed by Gujarat in second place in addressing grievances related to Lok Sabha elections.

NEWS IN DETAILS

MYANMAR

Minister for External Affairs, Dr S. Jaishankar said that the situation in Myanmar has required the Centre to take certain precautions as the government gives top priority to the country's security. Interacting with media persons in Aizawl yesterday, the Union Minister said, the Centre mulled an option to fence the Indo-Myanmar border and end the free movement regime because of the present on-going situation in Myanmar. He said that the security of the country, states, including Mizoram, requires the country to take certain precautions. Stating that he wanted people to understand the situation, the Union Minister said, the Centre is very sensitive to the interests of people, traditions, customs and relationships across the border. India shares a 1,643-km long border with Myanmar and Mizoram alone shares 510 km with the neighbouring country.

MILITANTS

In Assam, Kokrajhar police arrested four militants of the banned outfit Kamatapur Liberation Organization. Kokrajhar SP informed that they are allegedly involved in various anti-social activities including hurling of grenade at Dotma Bazar last year. All of them were produced before the CJM court yesterday and the court sent them to 4 days police custody. Further investigation is on.

SIKKIM

In Sikkim, campaign for simultaneous elections for the lone Lok Sabha seat and 32 assembly seats is gaining momentum. The ruling Sikkim Krantikari Morcha, opposition parties - Sikkim Democratic Front, BJP, Congress and the newly floated Citizen Action Party tried their best to garner support of the electorates across the State which will go to the polls on the 19th of this month. BJP national president JP Nadda spoke on the party's election manifesto at Manan Kendra in Gangtok yesterday. He assured the people of Sikkim of providing clean and people-oriented government with peace, progress and development infrastructure.

MIZORAM

In Mizoram, the BJP has promised upgradation of Zoram Medical College to the level of Regional Institute of Medical Sciences. Releasing the Vision Document for Mizoram ahead of the Lok Sabha polls, senior BJP leader and External Affairs Minister, Dr S Jaishankar said, this election is not about 5 years but an election that will set the course for the next 25 years when India attains 100 years of Independence. Stating that the world today is looking towards India, he said, 10 years ago, the world said that India was a 'fragile' economy, but today, the world said that India is among the 'top 5 economies.' Speaking on the "Vision Document," the Minister said, health care system under "Ayushman Bharat" should be intensified in the state and promised a robust health care facility where people could access low-cost medicines. The party also proposed revamping of schools and establishment of Central institutes and more engineering colleges, besides focussing on skills development and welfare of farmers. The party also pushed for promotion of tourism and establishment of "Air Hostess Training Centre" in Aizawl.

NADDA

BJP National President J. P Nadda will address the National Democratic Alliance election rally for the Lok Sabha polls in Nagaland. The BJP chief will address a rally at Agri Expo in Chumoukedima district tomorrow and share the stage with NDPP Leader and Chief Minister of Nagaland Neiphiu Rio and a host of other legislators and leaders.

AAP

In Assam, Aam Aadmi Party leader and Punjab Chief Minister, Bhagwant Mann will campaign today at Tinsukia and Sonitpur for party candidates. Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma and Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal held numerous rallies at Dibrugarh yesterday. Sarma said, under the Modi regime, 80 lakh people in Assam have escaped poverty. Meanwhile, senior Congress leader, Jairam Ramesh held a press conference in Guwahati yesterday and alleged that the BJP is making false promises. Congress state President Bhupen Kumar Borah, MP Gaurav Gogoi, Asom Gana Parishad President, Atul Bora also held public meetings to woo the voters.

COMPLAINTS

Nagaland has secured first place followed by Gujarat in the second place in addressing grievances related to the Lok Sabha elections. Nagaland received a mere 18 complaints, while Gujarat received 7,124 complaints. The respective chief electoral officer is responsible for addressing complaints at the state level, while district election officials must address complaints at their level. The National Grievance Service Portal of the Election Commission clearly lays out a timeline for clearing of complaints.
