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The Supreme Court today refused to pass any interim directions to the Election Commission of India to disclose the authenticated record of voter turnout on its official website after each phase of polling for the on-going Lok Sabha elections. Posting the matter for hearing post-summer vacations, a bench of Justices Dipankar Datta and S.C. Sharma said that passing interim directions at this stage would amount to granting final relief in the petitions and a "hands off" approach should be preferred once the election process is set in motion. The poll body told the top court that disclosing the scanned legible copies of accounts of votes recorded at all polling stations would cause "chaos" in the election machinery.

The District Election Officer for Keyi Panyor and Lower Subansiri District, Vivek H.P held a consultative meeting with the representatives of various political parties at the district secretariat, Ziro. Speaking on the occasion, the DEO urged the parties and candidates of the 16th Yachuli and 17th Ziro-Hapoli Assembly constituencies to ensure peace during vote counting on June 2nd and 4th. He also praised the maturity earlier displayed during polling and hoped for the same during counting. The counting process will start on June 2nd at 6 am for postal ballots and 6:30 am for EVM votes, aiming for completion by 10 am. Each Assembly and Parliamentary constituencies will have separate tables for counting. Four rounds of counting are planned for the 43 polling stations of 16th Yachuli Assembly constituencies.

The Indian meteorological department has predicted that Arunachal Pradesh will experience heavy to very heavy rainfall from May 26 to 28, 2024, as a depression in the Bay of Bengal is expected to intensify into a severe cyclonic storm and make landfall between Sagar Island and Khepupara by midnight on May 26. The storm is likely to bring isolated incidents of heavy to extremely heavy rainfall, accompanied by thunderstorms and lightning. The Meteorological Centre in Itanagar has issued warnings for potential impacts such as poor visibility, waterlogging, landslides, flash floods, and damage to structures and crops. The publics are advised to follow traffic advisories, avoid waterlogged areas, and take

precautions to protect property and ensure safety during the severe weather event.

In Upper Siang District, Indian Army troops of the Spear Corps paid homage to Sepoy Satinder 'Sati Baba'of Sikh Li at Tuting in Upper Siang District on Thursday. Every year the 23rd of May is celebrated as 'Sati Baba Day', in remembrance of the fallen soldier who sacrificed his life to rescue his comrade during a patrol in 2020. Since then, the immortalized Sati Baba is believed to be the protector of all security forces operating in the tough and challenging terrain of Siang valley. The troops of Spear Corps in the Tuting sector organised 'Sati Baba Day' to honour his bravery and sacrifice yesterday. The ceremony comprised of wreath laying by Commanding Officer of troops stationed in Tuting, civil dignitaries and a Junior Commissioned Officer of 4 Sikh Li and rituals to include changing of flag. Large number of locals also attended the event.

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) has condoled the demise of the former Chairman of the State Public Service Commission Shri Nabam Atum. The governor while highlighting his contributions to indigenous culture and tradition through IFCSAP and Arunachal Vikas Parishad said that his demise is a great loss to the people of Arunachal Pradesh. The governor also extended heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family, prayed for eternal peace to the departed soul. Meanwhile Bharatiya Janata Party, Arunachal Pradesh has also extended their condolences to his family and prayed for his eternal peace.

The District Administration of Capital Itanagar, in collaboration with the Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary, Itanagar Municipal Corporation, and NGOs Arunachal Dog and Cat Rescue, and Just Be Friendly from Guwahati, has launched a mass antirabies vaccination drive for pet animals. Since the commencement of the drive on May 21st, approximately 240 dogs have been vaccinated so far. The initiative aims to control the spread of rabies and promote public health.

Former Arunachal Pradesh Home Minister's wife, Lt. Yade Nidak, fondly known as Tode Nidak, passed away after a prolonged illness on Thursday. She was known for her active involvement in the Si-Donyi festival celebrations since the early '90s. A huge

number of well-wishers and relatives paid their final respects at her residence in Daporijo.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar.