

## **REGIONAL ENGLISH NEWS BULLETIN**

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The Election Commission today released the absolute number of voters for the first five phases of Lok Sabha elections asserting that voter turnout data was always available with candidates. It informed that over 50 crore and 72 lakh people have exercised their franchise till the first five phases of Lok Sabha polls in the country. The data was released a day after the Supreme Court dismissed a plea seeking direction to the poll body to upload authenticated, scanned and legible copies of Form 17 C showing the account of votes recorded booth wise.

Voting for the sixth and penultimate phase of Lok Sabha elections concluded successfully today. Around 58.98 percent voting has been recorded till 6 pm today evening. The Voting began at 7 in the morning till 6pm across 58 Parliamentary Constituencies spread over six States and two Union Territories. These include 14 seats in Uttar Pradesh, all 10 seats in Haryana, 8 seats each in Bihar and West Bengal, all 7 seats in Delhi, six in Odisha, 4 in Jharkhand and One Parliamentary Constituency in Jammu & Kashmir.

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Electoral Officer Pawan Kumar Sain today visited Likabali, Lower Siang District to inspect the arrangements being made for the counting of votes. Speaking on the occasion, the CEO emphasized the need for a peaceful counting process and reviewed the district's readiness extensively. Key areas like security, infrastructure, and personnel deployment were thoroughly inspected. Further, the District Electoral Officer, Rujjum Rakshap, briefed the CEO on the measures taken to ensure the safety of the strong rooms and smooth conduct of the counting process.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has predicted that the "Deep Depression" over the East-central Bay of Bengal is expected to intensify into Cyclone Remal by this evening. The cyclone is predicted to make landfall between the coasts of Bangladesh and West Bengal by tomorrow midnight, escalating into a severe cyclonic storm. In view of this, the IMD has issued warnings for heavy to very heavy rainfall in West Bengal, Odisha, and parts of the northeastern states. Arunachal Pradesh is

forecasted to experience a wet spell with thunderstorms and significant rainfall over the coming days. The forecast indicates a continuation of this trend, with light to moderate rain expected to become widespread across the state over the next week, including heavy to extremely heavy rainfall in isolated areas.

Itanagar Capital Police has issued an advisory alerting citizens to a new scam involving impersonation of police officers. Scammers contact individuals via phone calls, emails, or social media, falsely claiming arrest or investigation of family members and demand immediate payments to avoid arrest. The ICR police have urged Citizens not to disclose personal or financial details, transfer money, or make payments to unknown individuals and further asked denizens to verify callers' identity by contacting local police directly and report suspicious activities to Itanagar Capital Police promptly.

Indian Army's artillery unit stationed in Upper Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, is commemorating International Action Day for Women's Health on May 28 with a health checkup and awareness event in the remote village of Gelling along the Line of Actual Control. The event, spearheaded by the Regimental Medical Officer and a team of dedicated doctors, will offer medical examinations, consultations, and educational sessions tailored to address the unique health challenges faced by women in remote communities.

Dr Samir V Kamat, Secretary Directorate of Defence Research and DRDO inaugurated a Research and Development Centre of Defence Research Laboratory at Tawang yesterday. This new facility will be utilized for high altitude Soldier Research and Development activities. Chief Minister Pema Khandu in a social media post said that the centre is another proud addition in Tawang. He said the R&D Centre of Defence Research Laboratory will go a long way in supporting the soldiers posted in the frontline areas and promoting the research activities.

### **And Now, the Weather Forecast...**

According to the Met Centre, Generally cloudy sky with a few spells of rain or thundershowers in and around Itanagar will be there during the next 24 hours. The maximum temperature recorded today was 40.5 degree Celsius and a minimum of 26.8 degree Celsius.

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