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- Nagaland gears up for upcoming Urban Local Body elections on June 26 after 20 years
- Nagaland State Police Nodal Officer, Limasunep Jamir says all security arrangements are in place for peaceful conduct of ULB election in the state.
- Nagaland Chief Secretary, J Alam holds meeting on elimination of Single Use Plastic with Administrative Heads of Departments.
- Eight schools under Zunheboto district become tobacco-free schools.



Nagaland is all geared up to conduct the urban local bodies elections which is scheduled on June 26. A total Two Lakh 76 thousand 229 voters will decide the fate of the 523 candidates contesting in 269 wards from 24 Municipalities and Town Councils. Out of the total electors, One Lakh 36 thousand 62 are male voters and One Lakh 40 Thousand 167 are female. There will be 521 polling stations. Addressing media persons in Kohima today, State Election Commissioner T J Longkumer said, it is in the final stage to conduct the state's ULB election in a free and fair manner. Terming the upcoming ULB election as historic, he said, the state is conducting the election after 20 years following a long wait wherein all traditional and political issues have been resolved amicably amongst all stakeholders. Longkumer said, the whole of Northeast region and the country, including the Supreme Court, is watching at the State's ULB election very closely. The State Election Commissioner appealed for a calm atmosphere

conducive for free and fair elections during the upcoming ULB elections. While urging all citizen to believe in the due process of law, he appealed for abjuring all forms of violence. He also added that the commission is of the firm conviction that violence will not be tolerated and is ready for any number of re-polls if required. Longkumer further congratulated all the candidates who were elected unopposed while also wishing the best of luck to the 523 candidates who are in fray.



Nagaland State Police Nodal Officer, Limasunep Jamir said, all security arrangements are being put in place for peaceful conduct of the upcoming ULB election in the state. He said, the security dynamics have been changed following no polls in the Eastern areas and more concentration given to the western districts. Addressing media persons in Kohima today, Jamir said, 108 companies totalling to Eight thousand 100 police personnel are being utilized for the election purpose. He said, 92 polling stations are categorized as normal, 209 as sensitive and 229 hyper sensitive and accordingly the multi-layer security have been arranged. He said, for polling station security, along with the election party, the State police would be deployed and civil guide provided. Jamir informed that the whole 8 districts have been divided into 111 sectors with sector magistrate and sector commander, supplemented by a component of two section of IRB as striking force in order to respond to any exigency. He said, the anti-riot teams as well as the striking force will be over and above the first two layers of security. He said it has been communicated to the underground factions through Ceasefire Monitoring Group that nobody will be allowed to carry arms including the card holders. He further said, joint control rooms have been set up in all the districts. Jamir assured that the state police will take all measures possible for a peaceful atmosphere during the elections. On the day of polling, the State Nodal Police Officer said, any kind of impersonation or any kind of undue influence or bribery

or manners to influence the election process, will be taken care of as per the law of the land.



Nagaland Chief Secretary, Dr. J Alam today held a meeting on elimination of Single Use Plastic, SUP with Administrative Heads of Departments, AHODs of various departments. The meeting convened at the Chief Secretary's Conference Hall in Kohima discussed effective plastic waste management in the State. Chief Secretary J Alam said that plastic waste has become a real menace and stressed on coming up with an effective action plan for the State. During the meeting the members agreed in principle that below one liter water plastic bottles will be banned completely from 1st August 2024. Alam highlighted the recent issue of Doyang reservoir which was flooded with all plastic waste. He emphasized on serious deliberation on the systemic problem at hand and identify long term measures to effectively implement plastic waste management. He called on the departments to spread awareness on adverse affects of SUPs through intensive media campaigns, seminars and workshops for general awareness. He directed all the departments to properly document their activities through geo tagging and updating their websites with pictures and videos.



Eight schools under Zunheboto district were today declared as tobacco-free schools during a programme organized by National Tobacco Control Programme, NTCP Zunheboto Unit, at the Deputy Commissioner's office chamber. The schools comprise of four schools under Akuluto -Saint Clare high school, Hilto Children Home School, Government Higher Secondary School, Royal School, and four schools under Naltoqa -Unit school, Government Primary School, Sparkle School and Saint Paul School. Meanwhile, eight students home were

declared as Tobacco Free Home and certificates given away by Zunheboto DC Rahul Bhanudas Mali. Addressing at the programme, the DC expressed concern on the rise of tobacco usage, especially among the young students. He said that use of tobacco products gradually leads to dreadful deceases and ultimately results in cancer and painful death. He advised students to be always aware of what is beneficial to health and what is fatal. The DC appealed to NTCP Zunheboto Unit to come up with more activities to tackle the menace of tobacco usages with special targets on schools and its surroundings.



Wokha Deputy Commissioner, Ajit Kumar Ranjan today held a meeting with the Sector Magistrates, Commanders, Zonal Magistrates, Officers of the Urban Local Bodies election in Wokha. Addressing the meeting, the DC highlighted the roles and responsibilities of the officers for the upcoming ULB election. He said the Voter Information Slip, VIS distribution will commence from 21st June to 22nd June 2024 at their respective polling stations. The DC briefed the officials about the silent period protocol which will come in to effect from 4 PM of 24th June 2024. Superintendent of Police, Aotula T Imchen briefed on the pre-poll arrangement and security measures adopted. She appealed all to extend co-operation for the smooth, peaceful and fair conduct of the ULB election.



Deputy Commissioner and Chairman District Disaster Management Authority, Phek, has issued prohibition order against venturing out to the river banks for picnic, fishing. The DC said that there is possibility of water logging, flash floods, landslides and raising water level in rivers and streams due to heavy participation in the catchment areas. All concerned Area Administrative Officers, Head of the

Departments, Village Disaster Management Authority, Village Council Authorities and Ward Authorities in the district have been directed to be on standby to attend any emergencies resulting from natural calamities.



Committee Chairman on Government Assurances, Kuzholuzo Nienu, has convened an Adoption cum Oral Evidence Meeting of the Committee with the Departmental Representatives on 2nd July 2024 at 11 AM in the Assembly Committee Room. All Members of the Committee on Government Assurances have been asked to make it convenient to attend the meeting.



Indian Air Force has notified that the online registration for Agnipath Scheme Agniveervayu Intake 02/2025 will commence from 8th of July at 11 AM onward. The online registration can be done from agnipathvayu.cdac.in. The registrations will come to a close on 28th of July at 11 PM. It informed that applications for both male and female candidates are invited.

