

Morning News Script

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Counting of votes for Lok Sabha elections will begin at 8 AM today. Counting of votes for the assembly polls in Andhra Pradesh and Odisha and bye-elections to assembly constituencies will also be held simultaneously. Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar said that three layer security of Central Armed Police Forces has been put in place at the counting centres. He said, round the clock CCTV coverage will be done at the counting centres along with micro observers on each counting table. The Election Commission said that the counting trends and results will be available on the ECI Website at results.eci.gov.in as well as on the Voter Helpline App.

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In Nagaland, all preparations have been made to ensure smooth counting of votes today. The lone Lok Sabha seat in Nagaland is witnessing a triangular contest between S Supongmeren Jamir of Indian National Congress, Dr Chumben Murry of Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party and Independent candidate Hayithung Tungoe Lotha. Chief Electoral Officer, CEO Nagaland Vyas R said counting will commence across 17 counting centres - 15 district headquarters, one ADC headquarters (Pughoboto) and Returning Officer office in Commissioner Nagaland office Kohima. He said, the postal ballots will be counted first, at the Returning officer's office Kohima. He said that half-an-hour later, the counting of votes recorded in the EVMs will commence. The CEO informed that there are a total of 61 counting halls with one counting hall per Assembly Segment. In all, there will be 397 counting tables for counting EVMs and 12 tables for counting Postal Ballots. The CEO said, the strong rooms will be opened in the presence of the candidates or their agents. In addition, the CEO said the election office will set up mobile vans in different strategic points in Kohima town to display the election results, besides the official website of the Election Commission.

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Regional News Unit Akashvani Kohima will bring a special programme on trends and analysis of Lok Sabha Election 2024 Results today. A two hour live discussion on the trends and analysis of the election Results will be broadcast from 12 PM onwards with experts from various field joining in the programme.

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Regional News Unit Akashvani Kohima will today present Hourly Election Results update in Nagamese and English at 9 AM, 11 AM , 11:55 AM, 3 PM, 4 PM and 5 PM. This special election results programme will be broadcast on Akashvani Kohima FM channel 103 MHz and NewsOnAir.

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Rising People's Party, RPP has urged Nagaland government to restore the TA/DA rate of one thousand 500 rupees per day for uniformed police personnel on election duty outside the state. RPP in a press release said that despite the Finance Department's justification in bringing down the TA/DA rate from one thousand 500 to 550, the party strongly urged the government to review the decision. It said the previous amount of 1500 per day should be paid ex post facto with immediate effect. It said, four battalions of Jawans and officers have been carrying out election related duties in stifling heat all over India during the worst months during which three precious lives have been lost. Further, RPP demanded that government to pay adequate compensation of at least 10 Lakh rupees each to the bereaved families of the three jawans.

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Kohima Deputy Commissioner and District Disaster Management Authority Chairman, Kumar Ramnikant has informed that a Mass Social Work will be conducted in Kohima Town area on 6th June as part of the monsoon preparedness exercise. The mass social work will start from 6 AM onwards. It will involve all District Offices in Kohima along with the Kohima Municipal Council. The DC informed all Heads of Offices in the district to ensure that all participants bring required tools and items for the work as per requirement. The concerned Team leaders will ensure that garbage collected is properly disposed-off at the KMC dumping site. Kohima ADC Rhosietho Nguori will be the over all in charge.

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