HEADLINES:-

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- 2. Income Tax Department seizes a record one thousand 100 crore rupees in cash and jewellery during the ongoing Lok Sabha elections.
- 3. Counting of votes for the Assembly elections held in Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh started from 6.0 a.m. today.
- 4. The flash flood situation in Manipur improves as the water level in most of the inundated low lying dwelling areas is receding.
- 5. Nongrang clan celebrates Idashisha Nongrang's appointment as the new Director General of Police of Meghalaya.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

EX-GRATIA:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has announced an ex-gratia of Rs. 2 lakh from PMNRF to the next of kin of each deceased due to the natural disasters in the aftermath of Cyclone Remal in Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Tripura, and West Bengal. Furthermore, Rs. 50,000 will also be provided to the injured. It may be mentioned that cyclone Remal has caused severe destruction in several parts of the northern states. In Assam, four rivers Kopili, Barak, Katakhal, and Kushiyara are flowing above the danger level, and 11 districts have been affected by the floods.

SEIZURE:

The Income Tax Department has seized a record one thousand 100 crore rupees in cash and jewellery during the ongoing Lok Sabha elections. According to the official sources, this marks a 182 percent increase compared to the 390 crore rupees seized during the 2019 general elections.

COUNTING

In Sikkim, counting of votes for the election of 32-member state legislature has started from six this morning at six counting centres of the six different district headquarters of Gangtok, Gyalshing, Mangan, Namchi, Soreng and Pakyong. Additional Chief Electoral Officer of Sikkim Pema Lhaden Lama told Akashvani News, counting of votes for the state assembly election is going on across 239 counting tables in 37 counting halls of the six counting venues. She further said, counting of postal ballots is on at 73 counting tables in addition to the 239 counting tables of the six counting centres. The Additional CEO said, altogether 19 Counting Observers coming from outside the State are monitoring the process of counting of votes of the state assembly elections. Prohibitory Orders under Section 144 of CrPC have been promulgated in and around all the counting centres by the concerned District Magistrates of the six districts of the State.

COUNTING - ARUNACHAL

In Arunachal Pradesh, the counting of votes for the State Legislative Assembly elections held simultaneously with the Lok Sabha elections on April 19, started at 6.0 a.m. today. The term of the present legislative assembly ends on June 2. The counting of vote for the two parliamentary seats of the state will be held on June 4, along with the rest of the country. Office of the Chief Electoral Officer of Arunachal Pradesh informed that counting in 24 centres across the state is going on and over 2000 officials are taking part in the counting process excluding deployment of security forces. Arunachal Pradesh has 60 Assembly seats, out of which BJP has already won 10 seats uncontested.

FLOOD

In Manipur, the flash flood situation has improved as the water level in most of the inundated low lying dwelling areas has started receding. However, some parts of the Khwairamband Imphal Market are still affected by the flood and all shops and business establishments kept on lock from the last three days. Meanwhile, the State IFC Minister L. Sushildro assured that the flood situation in Imphal city including Imphal market will be controlled in two days and normalcy will return very soon. Speaking to media persons, the minister said that the IFC Department has been monitoring the situation by visiting all the flood affected areas of Manipur.

DGP

In Meghalaya, the Nongrang clan celebrated the recent appointment of Idashisha Nongrang as the new Director General of Police of Meghalaya. The clan, descending from Thiabon Nongrang expressed immense joy and pride on her achievement during a felicitation event held at Umbir village, Ri Bhoi District.Idashisha Nongrang, the newly appointed DGP, was present at the event, which was attended by clan members. The elders conveyed their immense pleasure and pride in having a clan member attain such a highranking position within the Meghalaya government.They highlighted the importance of her role in serving the community and maintaining law and order for peace and harmony in the state.