

## Landslide Victory for BJP led NDA: country to see Modi as Prime Minister of the Country for the 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive term

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As counting of the 17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha Election held in 7<sup>th</sup> phase across the country is nearing its completion, there is no doubt that peoples' mandate has been once more given to the BJP.

Prime Minister Modi retained his seat in Varanasi by a massive margin of 3.85 lakh votes..

Modi on Thursday led his Bharatiya Janata Party towards a resounding victory for a second term in office as the BJP has touched the 300 mark on its own while the NDA is at 350 seats, crossing the humongous tally of 2014. The BJP has demolished the combined opposition with the Congress Party stuck at 50 seats, according to the trends. Modi himself won in Varanasi with a margin of over 3.5 lakh votes while party president Amit Shah won in Gandhinagar in their home state of Gujarat by over 4 lakh votes.

In the politically critical state of Uttar Pradesh, where the Samajwadi Party-Bahujan

Samaj Party had posed a stiff challenge, the BJP is leading in 59 of the 80 seats at stake. The SP is ahead in seven and BSP in 13. The Congress Party was ahead only in one. Even, Congress President Rahul Gandhi is trailing in Amethi to BJP's Smriti Irani, however he has been win the Wayanad Parliamentary constituency by a margin of 12,76,945 votes which is 64.5%.

In Manipur, NPF candidate Dr Lorho S Pfoze is leading with 2,69,911 votes, followed by BJP's Houlim Shokhopao Mate with 1,85,226 votes in Manipur's Outer Manipur Lok Sabha constituency as on 4:30 pm. BJP candidate Dr Rajkumar Ranjan Singh is leading with 1,74,397 votes, followed by Congress' Oinam Nabakishore Singh with 1,54,040 votes in Manipur's Inner Manipur Lok Sabha constituency as on 4:30 pm. Following the lead the state BJP unit is preparing for a warm reception of the their candidate which they now have full confidence that they will win.

In the Inner Manipur

Parliamentary Constituency a total of 11 candidates are in the fray and voter turn out on the polling day held in 2nd Phae April 18 is 81%. At the Outer Manipur Parliamentary Constituency a total of 8 candidates contested for the seat and voter turn out was 84.20%. The polling was held on April 11 on the phase election.

Both in the outer and Inner Manipur Parliamentary constituency BJP had a tough fight with Congress in the Inner and NPF at the outer. In Nagaland, four candidates were in the fray and Congress Candidate K.L Chishi is leading at 5,00 pm with margin of 4,37,448 votes which is 50.6%. NDPP candidate Tokheho is following with 47.3 % votes .

Meanwhile, BJP Parliamentary board is meeting at the party headquarters in New Delhi today. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and other senior leaders will attend the meet. Mr Modi will also meet party workers there. BJP has also asked all winning MPs to come to Delhi by

Saturday.

In Assam too, BJP is leading in at least 8 seats. Assam has a total of 14 Parliamentary constituencies. Son of former Assam Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi and sitting lawmaker from Kaliabor, Congress candidate Gaurav Gogoi, is trailing from the Kaliabor constituency. He is fighting Moni Madhab Mahanta from the Asom Gana Parishad. Gogoi has had considerable campaigning support as well with party president Rahul Gandhi, his father, and actress Nagma lending a hand.

## Thoubal DC allegedly mistreats media personnel during counting of votes

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Various media persons who are at the counting venue of votes at Thoubal DC office felt offended on the way how Thoubal DC Haabam Rosita treated them.

Even though the counting of votes started from 8 in the morning today at Thoubal DC office, the media personnel were not allowed to enter and cover the news hindering to spread the news to the

masses.

The space for media persons were made at a newly constructed building near SBI Bank inside the DC Complex.

Unfortunately the media persons were not allowed to enter and gather the news from the place where votes were counted which is only 100m from their space neither any staff from DC gave any results for counting. Even the DIO of Thoubal and its staffs faced trouble in seeking the results of the votes.

Media persons have no other things to do other than talking to each other and watching news in television as they were not allowed to cover the news.

Bringing the result of the counting from Counting Hall to media centre is a big question which needed to be asked.

By obstructing the duties of media persons in gathering news DC Thoubal tried to hinder timely dissemination of news to the public.

## ISTA lauds Mao Police and Civil bodies of Senapati for their support to the association

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Manipur Inter State Taxi Service Workers' Association personnel of Mao Police Station and civil society of Senapati district for extending all support in punishing hooligans who had assaulted a Winger driver at Karong area along NH 2.

A statement issued by Mohen Asem, Secy. ISTA, said that on May 20, a driver was assaulted by a group of 4 young men at Karong, Senapati, Manipur. The group breaking the windshield of the vehicle and fled the scene towards Mao side, it said. The driver with the help of his passengers lodged an FIR in Senapati

Police station. Within few hours Senapati P.S. nabbed the culprits and brought to the station for interrogation and to confirm the crime they committed against the innocent driver in front of many passengers. The statement said.

The ISTA extended their sincere appreciations to those passengers on board, Song

Song Youth and Student's Organisations (SSYSO), Mr. Adakho, NPO, Winger Driver's Union, Maimom Anil Meetei, Secy.(AMRITDMWU) and specially Mao Police Station and Senapati Police Station for their helps and cooperation.

The statement also appealed not to upload the video clips of the incident in Social Media.

## CADA Jiribam District Committee reform

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As a part of the ongoing drive against intoxicated drugs and alcohol, Coalition Against Drugs and Alcohol (CADA) organised meeting at IB Leikai, Jiribam District, yesterday afternoon.

A statement issued by Secy. Information & Publicity, Khudongbam Anand said that the meeting held at the office of CADA Jiribam District Committee with CADA, President, Hijam Priyokumar reforms 9(Nine) Executive committee members for the term 2019-2022.

President as Thoudam Ratan, Dibong, Vice-President as Paonam Arun, Lakhipur, Assam, Vice-President as N o n g m a i t h e m Sadananda, Babukhan, Secretary General as N o n g t h o m b a m (O) Kumari, Dibong, Secretary Finance as Ningthoujam Brojen, Kalinagar, Secretary Organisation as Yurembam Sanjiv, Kalinagar, Secretary Information & Publicity as Khaidem Manglem, Ningthembam, Secretary Women Affairs as N o n g t h o m b a m (O) Surjamani, Chingdong and Secretary Drive as Mutum(O) Sorojini, Chingdong.

## KSA appeals to stop interference at SCERT's activities

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Kangleipak Students' Association (KSA) appeals to stop the interference done by some people in SCERT's activities to review the syllabus and curriculum from class I to VIII. Instead of creating problems in SCERT, the concerned people must show professionalism and support the work that SCERT is doing, the KSA statement added.

On the other hand, KSA

statement appeals on the issue of DIET centre at Keikol that instead of hurling allegations over mainstream and social media both parties must sit down to bridge the communication gap and work out a solution.

Furthermore, the statement added that those people who are interfering in the work of SCERT for their personal interests will be blamed if SCERT is unable to complete its work of reviewing the syllabus and curriculum and students face inconvenience.

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Armed group KCP-MC in a statement said that molestation complaint against the father of the Catholic School Canchipur by three persons turn out to be a conspiracy to malign the image of the school.

The statement signed by one Comrade Lanchena Meitei, Secretary Information & Publicity Military Affairs, KCP-MC said that the

complaint was an attempt to malign the Catholic School at Canchipur. It acknowledges that Catholic school Canchipur is the only school among Catholic Education Society Manipur which takes less admission fee and has good relationship with the locals. The outfit said that the allegation was made because of some personal issues that these three persons have against the father of Catholic School Canchipur. The outfit has met those

persons who have raised the complaint of molestation and discussed the matter. Later, they were handed to their families, the statement added. The statement also appreciated Maoist Communist Party of Manipur for their cooperation in the inquiry that KCP-MC was conducting on the matter. The outfit however warned against building of churches in the Catholic school campuses in Imphal

Valley giving quota on the basis of religion in school admissions. The statement said that the outfit does not have any objection to people practicing their faith and establishing churches in the Valley. However, the outfit's ban on the religious activities in schools in the Valley area continues. Furthermore, KCP-MC has postponed the general strike which was scheduled on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2019 to 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

## Eminent personalities from Critics Forum Manipur to interact with audience on Tunisian films to be screened at MFDC on may 25 & 26.

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Eminent personalities from the Critics Forum, Manipur will share the space of the interaction session to be conducted after screening of every film of the Tunisian Film Festival 2019 to be held at MSDFS Auditorium, Imphal on May 25 and 26, 2019.

On the first day of the festival, **Dr. N. Tombi Singh**, Advisor of Critics Forum will initiate the interaction session on the first film- **Porto Farina** directed by Ibrahim Letaief. The film was premiered on Friday, January 18, 2019 and tells the story of a man, Aly in need of a child, refractory to adoption, back in his native country to marry his first cousin. Sahitya Akademi awarded

**Yumlembam Ibohmcha** will interact with the audience on the second film- **Mostafa Z** directed by Nidhal Chatta. The film traces 24 hours of the life of an ordinary Tunisian, Mustafa, caught up with the absurdity of the system. Mustafa has a tumultuous relationship with his teenage son and his wife who blame him for his lack of ambition and his effaced nature.

**Dr. Lamabam Gojendro**, President of Critics Forum, Manipur will lead the interaction session of the third film- **Shattered Waves** directed by Habib Nestiri. The film is about Hassouana, an officer in the French army in spite of himself, is faithful to the cause of the independence of his country. Disregarding the risks, he



transmits information to the network of separatist activists. On the last day of the festival, **Dr. I. S. Kangjam**, former President of Critics Forum and presently the President of the Manipuri Sahitya Parishad will initiate the interaction session of the film- **Whispering Sands** directed by Nacer Khmir. The film narrates an encounter in the desert between a lady

brought by the tragic past of her family and a guide who discovers, at the end, the dark future of his family.

**Dr. N. Premechand**, Vice President of Critics Forum, Manipur will interact with the audience on the film- **Visit (El Ziara)** directed by Nawfel Saheb Ettaba. A dreamlike journey of Youssef, 30 years old sick with the amnesia. A girl

leads him in front of the "House of the light", that recalls something in him. He researches the missing piece of memory.

Theatre director **Loitongbam Dorendro**, Treasurer of the Critics Forum will talk on the last film- **Sweet Smell of Spring** directed by **Ferid Boughedir**. Aziz, young unemployed graduate, leaves his village on the border of Sahara for Tunis and becomes installer of satellite dishes on house roofs. One day, while working on the terraces of the beautiful village of Sidi Bou Said, he falls madly in love with a girl, who looks locked up by a mafia group close to the regime. The 2-day Tunisian Film Festival is jointly organized by the Federation of Film Societies of India, Film

Society of Manipur with the support of Tunisian Embassy in New Delhi and the Manipur State Film Development Society.

The Federation of Film societies of India is organizing the Tunisian Film festival at different cities of the country like Kolkata, Jamshedpur, Imphal, Guwahati, Delhi, Chandigarh, Mumbai, Pune, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Pondicherry, Madurai, Thiruvananthapuram, Kochi, Thrissur and some other places to propagate the film culture of Tunisia country. M. Lakshmi Kumar Singh, Commissioner (Art & Culture), Manipur will inaugurate the festival on May 25, 2019 at 2.30 pm at MSDFS Auditorium, Imphal.