



Young journalists of Agartala distributed new clothes in Nila Jyoti Orphanage home in Agartala on Saturday. Pic: TO

LS polls: BJP gears up for 'Mission 32' in Bihar

Patna, Sep 24 (IANS) After Nitish Kumar left NDA in Bihar, Home Minister Amit Shah has reportedly been assigned to achieve "Mission 32" in the Lok Sabha election 2024. In a closed-door core committee meeting in Kishanganj, Amit Shah, who is on a two-day visit to Seemanchal region of Bihar, directed the party leaders to work whole-heartedly for the 2024 polls. He has identified the 32 seats where he wants to win and form the government in the centre. The BJP currently has 303 seats in the Lok Sabha and JD-U and RJD leaders are determined to reduce the number by 40 in Bihar, West Bengal and Jharkhand to bring it below 260 seats. On the other hand, Amit Shah wants to gain 32 seats from Bihar to reach 300 seats of Lok Sabha and hence he has assigned some leaders of Bihar BJP to work on it. According to a senior leader of BJP, after Nitish Kumar left the BJP in Bihar, Amit Shah has made it a prestige issue and is working towards defeating the combination of Lalu Prasad and Nitish Kumar. He also said that he will personally monitor the proceedings of BJP leaders in Bihar.

Amit Shah wants to replicate the performance of Uttar Pradesh in 2017. During the run-up to Uttar Pradesh Assembly election 2017, Akhilesh Yadav and Mayawati joined hands. De-

not fulfilling many promises that opposition parties are continuously raising. The Muzaffarnagar riots of 2013 also helped in 2017 to polarise voters in Uttar Pradesh. The riots in Bihar



spite all the caste and religious equations being in favour of Akhilesh Yadav and Mayawati, BJP destroyed every caste equation and defeated them. However, the BJP leader also said that the Narendra Modi government came into power just three years ago in 2014 and people had lots of expectations from him. That would be the reason why people of Uttar Pradesh wholeheartedly supported him then. Now, eight years have gone by and the party is also facing an anti-incumbency of

seem unlikely under Nitish Kumar government. The BJP believes that the caste equation of Nitish Kumar and Lalu Prasad Yadav can be destroyed in Bihar. Amit Shah also told party workers that after the Lok Sabha elections, the party will announce the name of chief minister candidate for Bihar in the 2025 Assembly polls. BJP is likely to not contest the Bihar election in the name of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Manipur HC declares sitting MP's election 'null and void'

Imphal, Sep 24 (IANS) The Manipur high court (HC) has declared Naga People's Front (NPF) leader Lorho S. Pfoze's election "null and void" from Outer Manipur Lok Sabha constituency in 2019 and that the petitioner Houlim Shokhopao Mate to declare him as elected member cannot be denied

cess had many defects, errors and was incomplete. The judge in his 150-page order said: "In view of the fact that there were eight candidates in the fray, the claim of the petitioner (Houlim Shokhopao Mate) to declare him as elected member cannot be denied

the 17th Lok Sabha, 2019," the judge added in his order. The HC order said that the first respondent got 2,89,745 votes. According to the lawyers, Mate during scrutiny of the nomination papers challenged the candidature of Pfoze, but the Returning Officer of Outer Manipur (ST) parliamentary constituency abruptly and improperly accepted the nomination papers of the latter on March 21, 2019.

The HC noted that it is pertinent to point out that the provision of Representation of People's Act, 1951, provides for filing of maximum four nomination papers, but as per Section 33A of the Representation of People's Act read with Rule 4A and that the candidate is required to file a duly sworn affidavit under Form 26 along with the nomination papers containing true and correct facts along with complete information, which cannot be different. The four nomination papers must be accompanied with the same affidavit under Form 26, the Court added.

for the reason that among all the candidates contested, the petitioner secured highest votes after the first respondent (Lorho S Pfoze). "Consequent upon the findings that the election of the first respondent is declared as 'null and void', the petitioner is entitled to be declared as elected member of Outer Manipur (ST) parliamentary constituency in the General election to



(BJP) is duly elected from the parliamentary constituency. The single bench of the HC Justice M.V. Muralidharan while allowing the BJP candidate Mate's petition declared him elected and NPF candidate Pfoze's election as 'null and void'. Mate, 36, had earlier filed an election petition in the Manipur HC claiming that the affidavit filed by Pfoze, 59, during the election

Delhi Police asks Cyber Cafes to maintain visitors' record

New Delhi, Sep 24 (IANS) In a bid to prevent antisocial elements or terrorists from using cyber cafes to create disturbance, the Delhi Police has issued certain guidelines for the cyber cafe owners, asking them to maintain a register for visitors' identity. "It has come to notice that certain criminal antisocial elements or terrorists are using these facilities to mislead the security/ investigating agencies, create panic in the public, endanger the security of VIPs and Govt. Institutions, help in the terrorist activities directly affecting the security of the state," an official order by ACP (Lajpat Nagar) Jai Narayan Bhardwaj read. The official said that it is necessary to take speedy measures in this behalf to prevent danger to human life and safety, to thwart and prevent terrorist activities which may affect the security of the state and disturb public order and tranquility. In view of this, the police asked the owners of Cyber Cafes in the entire area of Sub-Division Lajpat Nagar to maintain a register for the identity of the visitor. "Make an entry in the hand-writing of the visitor mentioning name, address, telephone number and identity proof.

BJP will not come to power in 2024: Lalu Prasad

Patna, Sep 24 (IANS) RJD national president Lalu Prasad on Saturday said that BJP will be wiped out from Bihar in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections. While speaking to media at the Patna airport, Lalu Prasad said: "We will wipe out BJP in 2024. An ailing Lalu Prasad, who was in the national capital for his treatment, had returned to Patna last month. He is scheduled to go to Singapore for a kidney transplant on Monday. While in Delhi, he is set to meet Congress chief Sonia Gandhi on Sunday. He will be accompanied by Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar. The two leaders will brief the Congress chief about the initiatives being taken to unite the opposition parties against the BJP in 2024.

Govt will quit if any irregularity found in recruitment: Assam CM

Guwahati, Sep 24 (IANS) Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Friday said that if a single irregularity can be found in the recently-held recruitment examinations, his government will quit. Distributing the appointment letters to around 11,236 fresh recruits in 24 government departments here, he said: "I request the journalists to visit every household of freshly recruited youths, if any single case of scam in appointments is found, our government will leave power in Assam." Noting that many people have blamed the government for failing to conduct the recruitment procedure fairly, some even moved court against the internet shutdown decision during the examinations, and a few have alleged that many candidates from outside the state also received jobs, Sarma said: "But I challenge them to prove their claims. I assure that the entire recruitment process was carried out purely on merit and in a trans-

parent manner." "We shall suspend internet for 20 hours next time without any hesitation in order to carry out a transparent examination to give jobs to poor and under-privileged families," he added. Sarma also said that the recruitment process for filling up 26,000 Grade III and IV posts has already started. Advertisements for 10,000 more posts will be published soon & steps will be taken for the self-employment of 2 lakh youth. He also urged the new recruits to work with dedication and help in fighting corruption. Sarma has also attacked previous governments by sharing his past experience. He said that when he was not an MLA in 1998, jobs used to be given to candidates without any selection process, particularly in the Education Department. "When I was given the education portfolio in 2011, transparent recruitment methods were introduced in the Department," he said.

JICA India Mission team visited state on 3-day visit

Agartala, September 24, 2022: A three-member official delegation of the JICA India Mission has visited Tripura on a three-day visit from September 21 last in order to review the progress of Tripura JICA (SCATFORM) Project. The members are- Principal Development Specialist Anurag Sinha, Representative Hidemobu Fujiwara and Project Officer Aishwarya Mishra. The team attended a review meeting on September 21 at Prakriti Bhavan here and reviewed the component-wise physical and financial progress of SCATFORM Project presented by CEO & PD, JICA, Dr Avinash M Kantide (IFS). After the presentation, JICA India Mission Team has appreciated the progress of SCATFORM Project, as the project has progress very well even after facing so many hurdles due to COVID-19 pandemic crisis for the last 2 to 3 years. Later, JICA India Mission Team met with Tripura's Principal Secretary of Forest department and HoFF, KS Sethi (IFS) for a while to update the issue related

with the SCATFORM Project. Thereafter the JICA India Mission Team met with the Secretary of the Finance department Brijesh Pandey (IAS), and discussed about the progress of the project and other avenues where JICA can also collaborate positively with the Government of Tripura. In the evening, JICA India Mission Team conducted meeting with Director NCE Pravin Agrawal (IPS) and take note of the progress of NCE activities particularly the activities in Agar and other NTPP sector and suggested some action points for future activities going to be undertaken by NCE for self-sustaining the NCE. On day 2nd i.e. September 22 last, JICA India Mission Team visited Khowai district accompanied by PMU and PMC officials and seen the activities implemented in the Project villages during TFIPAP Project (Phase-1) as well as SCATFORM Project (Phase-II). They have visited AR, ANR, Agroforestry plantations, MFC and check dams constructed during Phase-I as well as under SCATFORM Project and interacted with the beneficiaries at Upendra JFMC, Bhupendra Debbarma JFMC and South Goyamoni JFMC. Fingerings were released in two

check dams in presence of JICA Mission Team and also fish feed distributed to the SHGs involved in fishery activity. Three SHGs were given Rs 1 lakh loan in presence of JICA India Mission Team for IGA activities. JICA Team also interact with the SHG members engaged in Handloom making activity at South Goyamoni JFMC. In the evening, they have visited Central nursery at Khasiamangal under Teliamura sub-division and appreciated the various activities taken up in the nursery. They also inaugurated one nursery office. Later, they have visited agroforestry plantation taken up under SCATFORM Project at Hawaibari JFMC. After interacting with the beneficiary the team appreciated the DMU chief Khowai and his team for well execution of Agroforestry activity. Later, they visited Multi Utility Centre (MUC) at Hawaibari JFMC, Hornbill Cafeteria and Crafts & More outlet at Baramura Eco-park which was developed during the 1st phase of Project (TFIPAP). They have well appreciated the initiative and recommended to take up of many more such initiatives during SCATFORM Project also to

support the IGA activities of forest dwellers. The JICA Mission Team express their pleasure after seeing the field implementation of Phase-I activities as well as the SCATFORM Project activities at Khowai Tripura District. On day 3rd, JICA Team have visited Subalsingh Range of West Tripura district to see the progress of field implementation particularly bamboo plantations taken up under Agroforestry during 1st phase followed by visit to 30 hectares of Kanakkaich plantation taken up during the 1st phase. Later, they once again reviewed the implementation status of the current project and discussed the activities and their experiences after the field visit. Overall, JICA Mission Team was impressed seeing the progress of implementation of project components and expressed their satisfaction. They complemented PMU officials that Phase-II Project will going to be a successful venture like Phase-I Project. In the evening of September 23 last, JICA India Mission Team departed from Tripura to Delhi.

NORTH EAST

Kaziranga National Park likely to open by October 15

Guwahati, Sep 24 (IANS) Assam's Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve (KNPTR) is likely to reopen for tourists after October 15, officials said. Deputy Conservator of Forests Ramesh Gogoi said: "We have planned to open Kaziranga around October 15. But we could not finalise the date to implement weather in the state. Rainfall is happening across many places in Assam." He also said that from the ashes of the rhino



horns burnt last year, three statues of rhinos are in making at Kaziranga and will be completed within a week. "We hope that this will attract tourists," Gogoi added. Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve is a major tourist destination in Assam. Every year a huge number of visitors from India and abroad come here to see one-horned rhinos and other species. Earlier, the park used to open from November 15. But due to the Covid pandemic, the last two years witnessed a decline in the number of tourists, and that is why the Forest Department planned to open the park in October to make up for the losses. The World Rhino Day was observed on Thursday in Kaziranga to spread awareness about the different Rhinoceros species and the dangers they face.

No .F4 (4-127) AGMC/Academic/Foundation Day/2022
Government of Tripura
Office of the Principal, Agartala Government Medical College
Agartala
INVITATION
All students & Ex students, Staff, retired faculties, doctors & staff, guardians and well-wishers are cordially invited to attend the 18th Foundation Day Celebration of Agartala Govt. Medical College on 25th September at 5:30 PM in the Karl Landsteiner Auditorium, AGMC.
Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Hon'ble, Tripura has kindly consented to inaugurate the programme.
Sd/-
Prof. (Dr.) Manjushree Roy
Principal
Agartala Govt. Medical College
ICA/D/1052/22

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REGIONAL INSTITUTE OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (RIPSAT)
ABHOYNAGAR, AGARTALA : TRIPURA - 799005.
INVITATION
Sub:- Celebration of 12th World Pharmacist Day, 2022.
All the Pharmacists are invited to RIPSAT for the inaugural programme celebration of 12th World Pharmacist Day * on 25.09.2022 at 9.30 am.
Chief Guest :- Prof.(Dr.) Manik Saha
Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura & Others respected Dignitaries
Sd/-
Principal
RIPSAT, Agartala.
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Notice Inviting Tender
The Additional General Manager, Electrical Circle No-II, TSECL, Agartala invites e-tender on behalf of TSECL for hiring of different types of vehicle for official use under Corporate Office, TSECL, Agartala.
Details of tenders will be available in website- www.tsecl.in & https://tripuratenders.gov.in/nicgep/app from 26/09/2022.

UPGRADATION & REPLACEMENT OF PUMPS AND PROVISION OF PREPAID METER AT RLY STAFF QTRS.
Tender Notice No.: SR. DEELMGR12 of 2022-23; dtd.: 22-09-2022. e-tender are invited by the undersigned for the following work: SN.1: Tender No.: EL/LM/22-23/10. Name of work: Upgradation and replacement of pumps at different pump houses under the jurisdiction of SSE/PM/AG and SSE/PA/GTL. Tender Value : ₹ 53,79,147.05; Earnest Money : ₹ 1,07,59,45. SN.2: Tender No.: EL/LM/22-23/11. Name of work: Provision of Prepaid meter at Rly staff qtrs. of Lumliding division (Phase-II). Tender Value : ₹ 71,93,191.88; Earnest Money : ₹ 1,43,863.00. Date & time of closing of tender at 11:00 hrs. and opening at 11:30 hrs. on 14-10-2022. The complete information with the tender document of above e-tender will be available upto 11:00 hrs. on 14-10-2022 in website www.ireps.gov.in
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