

Bye Election: Appeal to voters

An appeal about monitoring mechanism according to the order of the Election Commission of India (ECI) has been announced by the Additional Chief Electoral Officer, Tripura for the benefit of the voters. The Appeal is as follows –

As per section 171 B of Indian Penal Code, any person giving or accepting any gratification in cash or kind during election process, with a view to inducing the person to exercise his electoral right is punishable with imprisonment up to one year or with fine or with both. Further, as per section 171 C of Indian Penal Code, any person who threatens any candidate or elector, or any other person, with injury or any kind, is punishable with imprisonment up to one year or with fine or both. Flying Squads have been formed to register cases against both the giver and the taker of bribe and for taking action against those who arranged threat and intimidation of electors. All the Citizens are hereby requested to refrain from taking any bribe or cases of threat/intimidation of electors, in such cases he should inform on the toll-free number 1077, of the 24*7 Complaint Monitoring Cell of the district, set up for receiving the complaints.

Tripura awarded in food safety among small states

Tripura has received certification from the central government as a recognition of improvement in Food Security Standards. In a programme held by the Food Safety Standard Authority of India (FSSAI), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India at FDA Bhawan, Sadar Office, New Delhi yesterday on the occasion of World Food Safety Day, Tripura was given the recognition among the small states category. Tripura has been awarded for overall improvement under the category of “State Food Safety Index 2021-2022”. Tripura House Resident Commissioner Sonal Goel received the award and the citation on behalf of the state from Union Minister of Health Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya.

ICA Minister at the preparatory meeting of Kharchi Festival

Kharchi Mela is an ultimate example of peace and prosperity among the people of different communities. Everyone must come forward taking up more responsibility to uphold this Mela and festival before the World, stated Information & Cultural Affairs Minister Sushanta Choudhury in a preparatory meeting held at Geetabitan Hall in

Khoyerpur yesterday in connection with the upcoming Kharchi Mela and Festival which is to be held at Choudda Devta Mandir in Old Agartala. The meeting was presided over by Speaker of Tripura Legislative Assembly Ratan Chakraborty.

ICA Minister said, Kharchi Mela holds the message of cultural exchange of different communities. However, Kharchi Mela could not be conducted as it should have been in the last two years due to Covid-19 situation. Everyone must take responsible role in bringing back the age-old tradition of conducting the Mela. TLA Speaker Ratan Chakraborty in the meeting said, pilgrims not only from the state but from nearby states and even from neighbouring country Bangladesh also come to take part in the Mela and festival. Kharchi Mela and festival holds the old-age tradition of the state which is why it is important to conduct the festival in a proper manner.

Sabhadhipati of West Tripura Zilla Parishad, Mayor of Agartala Municipal Corporation Dipak Majumdar, Chairman of Old Agartala Panchayat Samiti Biswajit Shil, Old Agartala BDO Pamela Saha, Jirania SDM Jiban Krishna Acharjee, Director of Youth Affairs & Sports

department Subikash Debbarma, social worker Amit Nandi and officials of different departments were also present in the meeting. Kharchi Mela and festival will be conducted for 7 days starting from July 7. Elaborate discussions were held regarding successful conduction of the Mela and festival. It was decided in the meeting that like every other year, this year also an exhibition will be conducted at the premises of the Mela on behalf of different departments of the state government. A vibrant cultural programme will be organized at Krishnamala Stage on behalf of Information & Cultural Affairs department. Chairman of Mela Committee and Speaker of Tripura Legislative Assembly Ratan Chakraborty urged for everyone's cooperation for successful conduction of the Mela.

ARDD Minister inaugurates quality vegetable seeds distribution programme

Our country basically is an agriculture-based country. As a result, the country's economic foundation cannot be strengthened without the development of agriculture and the farmers, which is why the central and the state government are

paying much attention to marketing of crops produced by the farmers, enunciated Animal Resources Development Department Minister Bhagaban Chandra Das after inaugurating quality vegetable seeds distribution programme organized with the initiative of Krishi Vigyan Kendra for the farmers of Unakoti district at Manashi Auditorium Hall in Kumarghat yesterday. The programme was presided over by Sabhadhipati of Unakoti Zilla Parishad Amalendu Das. The farmers of the Farmer's Club of the district were present in the programme.

ARDD Minister in the programme said, recently it has been observed that the Farmer's Club is playing a significant role in the upliftment of the farmers across the state. The Farmer's Club is playing a significant role in implementing various schemes taken by Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the development of agriculture and farmers. As a result, the farmers in remote areas of the state are encouraged. He said, many farmers in the state used to produce paddy and vegetables according to their own requirement as they did not get the right price of their produced crops. The Prime Minister has taken various plans to change such condition of the farmers, one of which is PMKISAN through which lakhs and lakhs of farmers in the state have

benefited. Apart from that, paddy is being procured from the farmers at Minimum Support Price. As a result, the farmers are getting encouraged in producing paddy.

Sabhadhipati of Unakoti Zilla Parishad Amalendu Das in the programme said, the government is providing assistance to the farmers to increase production with technology and modern machines. Others present in the programme were Deputy Director of Horticulture and Soil Conservation department Srinath Baidya, President of All Tripura Farmer's Club Pradip Baran Roy and other dignitaries. Welcome speech was delivered by Krishi Vigyan Kendra official Dr. Ratan Das. ARDD Minister handed over different kinds of quality vegetable seeds to few women farmers in the programme.

IGNOU extends the date of re-registration to July 2022

Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) has opened the link for Re-registration to July 2022 session for 2nd year/semester and 3rd year/semester programmes. The last date of Re-registration for the July 2022 Session is June 30, 2022. The link for Re-registration is <https://onlinerr.ignou.ac.in/>. Website link for further details is www.ignou.ac.in or <http://rcagartala.ignou.ac.in>.