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## PRESS NOTE Imphal, 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2024.

A Signature Campaign on Electoral Participation was launched today from Chief Electoral Officer's Office, aimed at targeting all electors and particularly the youth to cast their votes on Poll Day in a free, fair, peaceful manner and without any inducement or fear from any external factor. Various creatives/ explainer videos on application like C-Vigil, 1950 (toll free no.), Know Your Candidate (KYC), Saksham, Voter Helpline etc. have been popularised through multiple media platforms to promote ethical, informed, inclusive and accessible voting. Large hoardings and posters with information on empowering voters, have been installed at all strategic locations across the State. TV/Radio talks, jingles etc. have been taken up in a big way in view of the upcoming Lok Sabha Elections-2024. Awareness programmes on opportunity to cast vote by the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) have also been taken up at all relief camps.

- 2. The 1<sup>st</sup> Randomisation of EVM/VVPAT has been completed on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2024, in all districts. 2<sup>nd</sup> randomisation has been carried out today, the 5<sup>th</sup> of April, 2024, by the respective Returning Officers in presence of the General Observer and the contesting candidates/their authorised agents. Commissioning of the EVM/VVPATs has commenced in all districts from today and 64 engineers from Electronics Corporation of India Ltd. have arrived and they have been allocated across all districts for the purpose. All the contesting candidates have been duly informed for their presence during the 2<sup>nd</sup> randomisation and commissioning process.
- 3. 1<sup>st</sup> round training of Polling personnel has been completed and 2<sup>nd</sup> round training after 2<sup>nd</sup> randomisation of Polling personnel is in progress. 2 (two) General Observers, 1 (one) Police Observer and 3 (three) Expenditure Observers, appointed by Election Commission of India, have arrived to oversee the preparation, and conduct of Lok Sabha Election-2024.
- 4. 94 (ninety-four) Special Polling Stations have been identified across the State to facilitate voting by the Internally Displaced Persons as shown below:

### Number of Special Polling Stations:

	and Name of	Number of Special Polling Stations for the voters of PC		
		1-Inner Manipur	2-Outer Manipur (ST)	Total
1	Imphal West	3	5	8
2	Imphal East	5	4	9
3	Bishnupur	11	11	22
4	Thoubal	1	1	2
5	Kakching	2	3	5
6	Churachandpur	2	13	15
7	Kangpokpi	4	20	24
Phase 1 Total		28	57	85
8	Tengnoupal	1	3	4
9	Jiribam	0	1	1
10	Ukhrul	0	4	4
Ph	ase 2 Total	1	8	9
State Total		29	65	94

ID Forms were distributed in all the relief camps to facilitate their seamless voting on Poll Day. So far, 17425 ID Forms have been distributed and 9875 forms have been submitted back. The number may increase further, in next few days.

#### 5. Regarding Postal Ballots:

- 13842 number of Form 12D was issued in the category of PwDs (AVPD) out of which
   2827 forms have been received.
- 20675 Form 12D issued in the category of 85+ (AVSC), out of which 4726 forms have been received.
- iii) For essential services 4 12D forms were issued and all of them have been submitted.
- iv) For Service Voters a total of 9541 Postal Ballots has been transmitted through ETPBMS in respect of 1-Inner Manipur PC and 12215 PBs have been transmitted for 2-Outer Manipur PC.

6. Total seizure reported from 01.03.2024 till date, by various enforcement agencies are as indicated below:

S.N	Agency	Agency Seizure (Lakh)	Intercepted Seizure (Lakh)
1.	State Police Department (SPD)	197.31832	0.04750
2.	State Excise Department (SED)	14.87963	3.63635
3.	Central Goods and Services Tax (CGST)	600.00000	0.00000
4.	State Goods and Services Tax/Commercial Tax (SGST/CT)	77.18380	0.00000
5.	Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI)	435.01400	0.00000
6.	Customs Department	2912.6583	1 0.00000

7. 118 number of Model Polling Stations will be set up across the State out of which 91 of it will be exclusively managed by Women Polling Personnel. There will be a total of 806, Woman managed polling Stations and 4 Polling Stations will be exclusively managed by Polling Personnel belonging to PwD category.

Sd/-

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