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Election Commission today announced the assembly elections schedule for five states - Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana, Chhattisgarh and Mizoram. First phase of Chhattisgarh Assembly polls will be held on 7th November and the second phase on 17th November. Mizoram will go to polls on 7th November, Madhya Pradesh on 17th November, Rajasthan on 23rd November and Telangana on 30th November. Votes counting for all the states will be held on 3rd December. Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar while briefing media in New Delhi said polls in these five states hold a unique significance as they serve as the final assembly elections before the grand stage of General Elections in 2024.

Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lt General (Retd) KT Parnaik met his Uttarakhand counterpart Lt General (Retd) Gurmit Singh at Raj Bhavan, Dehradun on Friday last. During their meeting, the two constitutional heads held discussion on the progress of development initiatives in both the Himalayan States. On the occasion, Governor Parnaik shared the cultural richness of Arunachal Pradesh and its tourism potential with Governor Singh. He also proposed an exchange programme for students and government officials in the horticulture sector between the two States.

The prolonged absence of electricity has badly affected normal life in parts of Upper Siang district, including its headquarters, Yingkiong. Residents of the border district have been facing power outages due to technical snags at the Angong Nallah and Sirnyuk Hydel Stations and the problem is persisting for the last six days. On October 3, the Executive Engineer, Yingkiong Electrical Division issued a circular, conveying that due to heavy damage of Angong to Yingkiong 33KV line by Highway construction companies, there will be no power supply from Angong Nallah Micro Hydel Station for 10 days. Officials said that despite incessant rainfall, the Power Dept is putting all its efforts to restore faulty and damaged transmission line from Angong Nallah, and early restoration of power supply.

Kurung Kumey Deputy Commissioner Ibom Tao along with SP Bomken Basar, ZPC Dare Mada and a team of head of offices paid a two-day visit to Nyapin, Sangram, Phassang and Nyobia administrative circles on October 6-7 to take stock of the progress of various developmental projects there. The DC inspected several key infrastructure projects including the under-construction

Phassang Primary Health Centre building and bachelor barrack for health staff, PWD inspection bungalow at Phassang, underconstruction approach road to the IB, double court badminton hall at Lungsa funded under Khelo India programme. He also inspected several road projects under PMGSY, and addressed public meetings at Nyapin and Sangram.

In a proud moment for Arunachal Pradesh, two sports officials of the State have been entrusted with pivotal roles for the upcoming National Games 2023, to be held in Goa. Arunachal Taekwondo Association (ATA) officials excelled in Championship Supervisory Board (CSB) and referee positions - L Sokun Singh, senior vice president of the Taekwondo Federation of India and Youth Wellness Officer, Deptt of Education (GoAP) has been appointed as a member of the CSB for the forthcoming National Games. Borik Pamo, referee chairman of ATA, has been named as an official referee for the Goa National Games.

Claudia Goldin, a professor at Harvard University, has won the 2023 Nobel Economics Prize. The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences announced this today. The Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences 2023, officially known as The Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences, has been awarded to Claudia Goldin "for having advanced our understanding of women's labour market outcomes." After Elinor Ostrom in 2009 and Esther Duflo in 2019, Goldin becomes the third woman to be conferred with Nobel Prize in Economics.