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HEADLINES:-

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- **In Assam, 34 candidates are in fray for bye elections to five assembly seats while in Meghalaya, 6 candidates remain in fray to contest bypoll from Gambegre Assembly constituency.**
- **DoNER Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia will inaugurate two-day Shillong Cherry Blossom Festival which will begin on November 15.**
- **Diwali, festival of lights is being celebrated across the country from today; President sends Diwali greetings and appeals to all people to celebrate pollution-free Diwali along with pledge to build healthy, prosperous and responsible society.**
- **Akashwani Shillong organises seminar on Cyber Crime awareness programme.**
- **Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister, Pema Khandu flags down Indian Air Force 'UWM Vayu Veer Vijeta' Car rally in Tawang; lauds troops for successfully completing 7,000 km to reach Tawang.**

NEWS IN ORDER:-

DEFENCE:

Union Minister for Defence, Rajnath Singh said that due to the discipline and courage of the Indian soldiers, India and China reached on consensus to resolve issues at some areas along the LAC. Singh was addressing the soldiers at Bada Khana at Tezpur in Assam. He said that India always believed in keeping cordial relations with the neighbours. He firmly said that keeping in mind the interests of forces, the government would take necessary steps in this process of peace restoration. Singh commended the unwavering spirit, steadfast commitment and remarkable courage of the troops who serve on the frontlines in difficult circumstances, terming them as a true source of inspiration to the youth. He mentioned that the nation will forever remain indebted to the soldiers who serve the motherland with unmatched bravery and dedication. He urged the soldiers to remain alert and ready to deal with threats which may emerge from the ever-evolving global security scenario.

CANDIDATES:

In Assam, 34 candidates are in the fray for the bye elections to five assembly seats while in Meghalaya, 6 candidates remained in the fray to contest the bypoll from Gambegre Assembly constituency. On the last date for withdrawal of nominations yesterday, there was no withdrawal of nominations from Gambegre constituency. However, in Assam, one candidate withdrew his nominations from Dholai constituency leaving a total of 8 candidates in the fray. There are 11 candidates in Samaguri and 3 candidates in Sidli seat, four candidates in Behali and 8 candidates will try their political luck from Bongaigaon seat. Over 10 lakh voters can exercise their voting rights in the five

Assembly seats in Assam. The Congress and the NDA are contesting in all the five seats. For the NDA, BJP fielded candidates in three assembly seats and the Asom Gana Parishad and UPPL fielded candidate in one seat each. The polling will be held on November 13 and votes will be counted on November 23.

FESTIVAL:

DoNER Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia will inaugurate the two-day Shillong Cherry Blossom Festival which will begin on November 15. Meghalaya Tourism Minister, Paul Lyngdoh informed that the State Government is awaiting a confirmation from Japan on its official who will attend the festival. On November 18-19, there will be Lit Fest and it will be attended by renowned writers like Vikram Seth, Shobhaa De and others. Meanwhile, the Meghalaya Department of Arts & Culture, will organize KoreM- a cultural collaboration between Korea and Meghalaya at the Ward's Lake, Shillong tomorrow at 11 am.

DIWALI:

Diwali, the festival of lights is being celebrated across the country from today. On the occasion, people are decorating their houses with lights and exchanging sweets for peace and prosperity. President Droupadi Murmu in her greetings to the citizens, said that Diwali is a festival of happiness and enthusiasm and it symbolises the victory of knowledge over ignorance and good over evil. The President said that on the auspicious occasion of Diwali, we should illuminate our conscience, adopt virtues of love and compassion, and promote social harmony. The President also said that this festival is also an opportunity to help the deprived and needy to share our happiness with them. The President appealed to the people to celebrate a pollution-free Diwali and pledge to build a healthy, prosperous and responsible society. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar also extended his greetings to all citizens of the country.

SEMINAR:

Akashwani Shillong yesterday organised a seminar on Cyber Crime awareness programme. The panel discussion was participated by Pankaj Kumar Rasgania, IPS, SP of Cyber Meghalaya Police, Adll State Information Officer, National Informatics Centre, Benos Lyngskor, Assistant General Manager Digital State Bank of India, Choppy Roy, and Anis Kharsohum, Advocate, Shillong Bar Association. Pankaj stressed on the need to bring awareness about cyber-crime to stakeholders and every individual.

CAR RALLY:

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister, Pema Khandu flagged down the Indian Air Force 'UWM Vayu Veer Vijeta' Car rally in Tawang yesterday. The rally started from Thoise in Ladakh on October 8 on the occasion of the 92nd Air force celebration day. It travelled a distance of around 7,000 km to reach Tawang. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister welcomed the participants of the car rally, comprising of Air Warriors, Army Officers and Air Veterans to Arunachal Pradesh, and congratulated them for successfully completing the rally. He appreciated the riders for paying a visit to all war memorials on the route and paying respect to the martyrs. He also commended their visit to various educational institutions which motivated the students to pursue a career in the armed forces.
