

Tirap prepares for counting: live on website



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The hectic preparation for the counting of votes for the recently held panchayat elections is over in Tirap district of Arunachal Pradesh. The fate of the contesting candidates which are effectively sealed now in the ballot boxes will be opened tomorrow. All required arrangements for smooth counting of votes are in place. Elaborate security arrangement has been made considering the sensitivity of the district. Tirap Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer Dr Sachin Shinde is personally supervising all the arrangements to ensure error-free counting process. A number of government employees have been trained to ensure that the counting process is as per the laid down rules.

For the first time, 4 cameras will be installed, 3 for the live feed on website and one for live-viewing outside the counting hall. The general public and the political parties and their supporters can watch the counting process from outside the counting center. The live feed on counting will be available on www.tirap.nic.in

The DEO has appreciated the effort of the DIO, NIC Ajay K. Singh for arranging the facilities for live-viewing which is the first of its kind in the district.

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UDALGURI: Reiterating its demand of Kamatapur statehood and Scheduled Tribe ([ST](#)) categorization of the Koch-Rajbongshi community, the [Udalguri](#) district committee All Koch-Rajbongshi Students' Union (AKRSU) along with All Koch-Rajbongshi Sanmilani(AKRS) staged sit-in-protest at the DC office premises here in [Udalguri](#) on Monday. The organizations, staged the protest for three hours starting from 11 pm. The protestors came down heavily on the alleged statement made by [Tribal](#) Affairs Minister, Juel Oram , that it takes four decades to [grant ST](#) status to a community, and hence there's little hope for fulfilling the [demands](#) for [ST](#) status. The activists holding placards raised high pitched slogans and rented the air with 'No [ST](#) no rest', 'BJP go back'. [President](#) of [Udalguri](#), AKRSU, Atul Barman alleged that the government has turned deaf ears to the genuine [demands](#) of the community for years.

He also criticized the government for making false promises regarding fulfillment of their [demands](#) within six months from coming into power. The [student leader](#) also alleged that [indigenous](#) Koch-Rajbongshi people have been meted out harassment at various places of [state](#) in the ongoing verification of [National](#) Register of Citizens(NRC). He further stated that if the government doesn't [grant ST](#) status to the community before 2019 Lok Sabha polls, the people will be forced to vote the alternative parties. [President](#) of All Koch Rajbongshi Sanmilani (AKRS), Sunil Kumar Barman also criticized the saffron party and PM Modi for false pre-poll promises. The two organizations also submitted separate memorandums to Prime Minister, [Narendra Modi](#) and Chief Minister, Sarbananda Sonowal through the office of Deputy Commissioner, [Udalguri](#).

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