

**Government of Meghalaya**  
**Office of the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District**  
**Election Branch, Shillong**

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Minutes of Media Certification and Monitoring Committee (MCMC) held on the 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 at 4:00 P.M. in the Conference Room, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District.

Members who attended the meeting at Annexure.

The meeting was chaired by Shri L. Kynjing, ADC, I/c MCMC, East Khasi Hills District who welcomed all members presence.

Accordingly, the following decisions were taken:-

1. The Committee reviewed the weekly news carried on both the electronic and print media w.e.f. 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 and examined the notice issued by the Returning Officer, 1-Shillong Parliamentary Constituency to the candidate who replied to the same within the stipulated time.
  - (i) Notice No. SHIL.V/MP/26/2024/9/21/92 dated 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 issued by the Returning Officer, 1- Shillong Parliamentary Constituency to Shri Vincent H Pala, Contesting INC Candidate against the advertisement issued on behalf of the All India Congress Committee on Facebook. The Committee after considering the reply submitted by Shri Sunday Barch, Election Agent for Shri Vincent H. Pala, INC Candidate, Shillong Seat, decided the same as not paid advertisement/news.
2. The Committee was informed that the declaration about criminal antecedents of candidates of (1) Shri Robertjune Kharjahrin of United Democratic Party (UDP) as published on newspapers Rupang on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 & The Times of India on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 and of (2) Dr. Mazel Ampareen Lyngdoh of National People's Party (NPP) as published on newspaper U Peitngor on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 has been reported to the Accounting Team 1-Shillong Parliamentary Constituency for information and necessary action.
3. The District MCMC has decided to issue and advisory to the print & electronic media and the local cable operators on what must be avoided during the period of 48 hours ending with the hours fixed for the conclusion of the poll, i.e. 4:00 P.M. of the 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2024, referred to in Section 126 of the Representative People Act, 1951 to ensure that no Political Party or Candidate or any other organization or person publishes any Advertisement on poll day and one day prior to the poll day, unless the contents of such political advertisements are pre certified by the State/ District level MCMC, as the case may be, and that contents of programmes telecast/broadcast/displayed by them during the period referred to above do not contain any materials, including views/appeals by panelists/ participants that may be construed as promoting/prejudicing the prospect of any particular party or candidate or influencing/affecting the result of the election.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the chair.

Sd/-

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