

Mamata, Abhishek meet TMC counting agents

Ahead Of Bengal Poll Results

Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and Trinamool Congress national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee on Saturday told counting agents of the party during a meeting that it will secure over 200 of the 294 assembly seats, two days ahead of the counting of votes polled.

The two leaders, who held a virtual meeting with counting agents of 291 assembly seats, also told them that they should regularly update the leadership about the prevailing situation at counting centres and must remain there till the end of the exercise.

The Anit Thapa-led Bharatiya Gorkha Prajatantrik Morcha (BGP) contested the remaining three seats in the Darjeeling hills.

The two-phase assembly polls were held on Apr 23 and Apr 29, with counting of votes scheduled for May 4.

The CM, who asserted that the "TMC will at least win 200-plus seats if not more", also asked counting agents not to give importance to the "propaganda and campaign by the BJP and its allies" about the number of seats they would secure.

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ly assaulted by central forces during voting or campaigning.

"Do not give importance to the numerous exit polls telecast on TV channels and the social media," she told the agents, according to a senior TMC leader.

"Such exit polls have no value. The 2021 and 2024 exit polls were way off the mark. I think most such polls are meant to influence the share market," the TMC supremo said.

She also said that in case of any "TMC candidate losing a seat by a margin of 200-300 votes", the counting agents must insist on recounting.

"No one should leave the counting centres till the process is over," the chief minister said.

Abhishek Banerjee, who also interacted with the counting agents virtually, asked them to insist on recounting, particularly for postal ballots, in case of defeat of TMC nominees by a narrow margin.

"All unusual activities inside counting centres, like the sudden power outage at the Nandigram counting centre in 2021, must be immediately reported to the party's top brass," he said.

The virtual meeting, which began at 4 pm, lasted

for nearly two hours.

Virtual interactions had been a regular feature during the revision of electoral rolls, with Abhishek Banerjee holding multiple meetings with booth-level agents between Nov and Feb.

However, such meetings were not held by either Abhishek Banerjee or Mamata Banerjee after the announcement of the assembly polls in Mar, but by leaders like Mahua Moitra.

The Saturday briefing also covered key aspects of the counting process, including the number of rounds and protocols to be followed once the electronic voting machines (EVMs) are brought out of strong rooms and unsealed.

Despite expressing her confidence of a "landslide victory", Mamata Banerjee has repeatedly aired her apprehensions of "counting malpractice and EVM tampering ahead of the day of results".

Two counting centres in Kolkata witnessed high drama late on Thursday evening, after TMC leaders alleged a lack of transparency and possible malpractice at the strong rooms housing sealed EVMs of the assembly polls, which concluded on Apr 29.

Objectionable WA status, cop suspended

Kolkata: Kalighat police station officer in charge Gautam Das has been suspended over a controversial WhatsApp status, a senior Kolkata Police officer said on Saturday.

Das has been replaced by Chameli Mukhopadhyay, he said. The development comes two days ahead of the counting of votes in the West Bengal Assembly elections.

The action followed a complaint lodged with the Election Commission by the TMC, alleging that Das had posted an "objectionable" image on social media in violation of service rules.

The ruling party had sought the EC's intervention after its state vice-president, Joyprakash Majumdar, shared on X a photograph of the officer holding a firearm while being in uniform.

The image reportedly carried the caption, "ready for new responsibility."

Calling the post inappropriate, Majumdar said, "This image is not only uncomfortable but also objectionable in the eyes of the law. It clearly shows him pointing a modern firearm at someone." Majumdar further alleged that the post violated Kolkata Police's social media guidelines as well as central govt directives.

Additional counting observers

New Delhi: Ahead of the counting of votes in West Bengal scheduled for Monday, the Election Commission on Saturday deployed an additional 165 counting observers and 77 police observers in the state.

While the additional counting observers will assist the 294 such observers already deployed per constituency, the additional police observers will strengthen security and oversee law and order arrangements outside the counting centres, the poll body said.

Officials said that while police observers are generally not deployed during vote counting, in this case, they will not be allowed to enter the counting centres, and will manage law and order outside only.

"The additional counting observers and police observers have been deployed to ensure that the counting proceedings are conducted in a secure, peaceful, intimidation-free and transparent environment," the Election Commission (EC) said.

The EC asserted that it appointed the additional observers in exercise of its constitutional powers under Article 324 of the Constitution and provisions of the Representation of the People Act.

The observers will function under the poll body's superintendence and control, the EC noted.

The additional counting observers will assist the existing counting observers for 165 Assembly constituencies having more than one counting hall.

The police observers will oversee the security and law and order arrangements around the counting centres assigned to them and ensure that the arrangements follow the EC's instructions.

No person, except the counting observer and the returning officer, is permitted to carry a mobile phone inside the counting hall, the EC said.

The additional deployment followed after the Supreme Court.

'Bihar govt working under Nitish guidance'

Patna: Bihar deputy chief minister Vijay Kumar Choudhary on Saturday said Samrat Choudhary govt was working under the guidance of Nitish Kumar.

Addressing a press conference at the JD(U) headquarters in Patna, he said the opposition was trying to raise a false alarm that communalism was rife under BJP-led NDA govt in the state.

"Chief Minister Choudhary has time and again clarified that the present govt is being run under the guidance of Nitish Kumar, and that there will be zero-tolerance towards communalism," he said. "A fabricated perception has been created by opposition parties that the BJP ignites communalism. On the contrary, during their own rule in the state, they projected themselves as protectors of minorities while doing nothing for their uplift," he claimed.

Choudhary, a JD(U) leader, said over the past two decades, the Nitish Kumar-led



Bihar chief minister Samrat Choudhary meets former Chief Minister Nitish Kumar at his residence in Patna on Saturday. Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Vijay Kumar Choudhary also seen

govt worked for the education and financial upliftment of minorities.

"If all sections of society are educated, live peacefully, and fare well on financial parameters, why would anyone attack others, and where is the need for asserting protection for a particular community? Nitish Kumar's work led to communal harmony in Bihar, and Samrat Choudha-

ry is committed to maintaining it in the future," he said. Choudhary charged the opposition with patronising "tormentors" of minorities. "People belonging to minority communities have understood who their well-wisher is and who exploits them on an emotional basis. The opposition's modus operandi will no longer work in the state," he said.

RS booked in Punjab, BJP accuses Kejriwal of vendetta

Chandigarh/New Delhi: Punjab Police has booked Rajya Sabha MP Sandeep Pathak, who recently switched from AAP to the BJP with six others, sources said on Saturday. Two FIRs have been lodged against Pathak under non-bailable sections, they said.

No further details about the FIRs have been disclosed yet. Pathak was among the seven Rajya Sabha MPs who had quit the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) and joined the BJP.

On April 24, the AAP suffered a jolt when seven of its 10 Rajya Sabha MPs quit, alleging that Arvind Kejriwal's party has strayed from its principles, values and core morals.

Of the seven MPs - who were Pathak, Raghav Chadha, Ashok Mittal, Harbhajan Singh, Rajendra Gupta, Vikramjit Sahney and Swati Malhiwal - six were from Punjab.

Rajya Sabha Chairman C P Radhakrishnan later officially accepted their merger with the BJP, reducing AAP's strength in the Upper House to three.

Meanwhile, the BJP on Saturday has reacted to the FIRs on Pathak, accusing AAP convenor Arvind Kejriwal of indulging in vendetta politics and misusing the Punjab

Police. It also alleged that law and order in the state has deteriorated. BJP national spokesperson Sudhanshu Trivedi claimed that the police action reflects misplaced priorities. "Punjab Police went to Pathak's residence and attempted to carry out a raid. We want to ask if the law and order situation has become so weak that the police are unable to act against drug traffickers, but are being used in this manner?" he asked reporters.

Targeting Kejriwal and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, Trivedi said, "Those who claim to represent a new kind of politics should explain how, in their state, law and order has completely collapsed."

Referring to the opposition's allegation that Mann was under the influence of alcohol in the Punjab assembly on Friday, Trivedi said the AAP government has failed to maintain governance. "I want to clearly say to the AAP, the Punjab government, and especially Kejriwal that this is a fragile facade," he said.

BJP national spokesperson, Shehzad Poonawalla, claimed that Kejriwal is misusing the Punjab Police to settle political scores, and Mann has become a party to it.

Bail to HP BJP MLA kin in illegal mining case

Hamirpur: The sessions court in Himachal Pradesh's Hamirpur has granted regular bail to the uncle and brother local BJP MLA Ashish Kumar in an illegal mining case, officials said on Saturday.

Accordingly, the MLA's brother Umesh Sharma and uncle Praveen Sharma walked out of jail after spending 17 days in judicial custody.

The two accused had surrendered on Apr 15, after which the local court had remanded both to judicial custody.

The case dates back to Aug 13, 2025, when police raided the Mahalaxmi Stone Crusher in Pungli Khad under the Sujanpur police station limits, in which Praveen and Umesh were partners. During the raid, police seized stones, gravel, machinery and other items and registered a case of illegal mining.

Didi hails Ray on 105th anniv

Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Saturday said the timeless creations of film maestro Satyajit Ray will remain an invaluable treasure to the world of cinema.

Hundreds of people from across the state and even outside flocked to the legendary filmmaker's 1 Bishop Lefroy Road residence here on his 105th birth anniversary and paid tributes as his son Sandip Ray and other members of the family warmly greeted them.

"The immortal works of Ray will remain as an invaluable treasure in world cinema," Banerjee said in a post on X, remembering one of India's greatest cinematic legends.

To a question, his director son Sandip Ray said the initiative to preserve the maestro's vast creative legacy through restoration and digitisation of his large volume of works is already continuing by the Society for the Preservation of Satyajit Ray Films.

"The work is happening overseas as well as here. I feel it is extremely necessary because preservation is important," he said. He added that efforts are being made to digitise a large collection of documents related to the legendary filmmaker's work. "We are already working on plans to digitise the papers. There is a vast body of materials - from sketches to writings. We are very busy handling all of it," he added.



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E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) read with Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

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Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/ Legal Heir(s)	Description of the Immovable Properties with Known encumbrances, if any	Total Dues	Reserve Price	Status of Possession (Symbolic/ Physical)	Property Inspection Date & Time
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				Rs. 7,00,000/-		
				Rs. 25,000/-		
4.	Borrowers:- Mohd. Salim S/o Nurul Hasan & Guarantor: Mrs. Zaheda Bibi W/o Nurul Hasan (since deceased) through her legal heirs Mohd. Salim, Mohd. Naseem, Mohd. Shameem & Mohd. Waseem all sons of Nurul Hasan. Address: Village Dulhipur, Post Dulhipur, Mughalsarai, District Chandauli-232101.	Equitable Mortgage of all part and parcel of immovable property situated at Arazi no. 40, Area 680 sq. feet, Mauza Dulhipur, Pargana Ralhpur, District Chandauli standing in the name of Smt. Zaheda Bibi w/o Nurul Hasan. Bound as per Tehsilard report dated 29.06.2012: East: House of Ansar; West: Gali 5 ft. wide; North: 4 ft. Gali thereafter house of Noor Mohammad; South: 4 ft. wide rasta thereafter land of Dhamdev.	Rs. 7,38,699.00 + interest from date 25.01.2016+ other expenses (minus amount, if any, paid after the issuance of Demand Notice)	Rs. 15,30,000/-	Symbolic	20.05.2026 Time Between 02:00 PM upto 05:00 PM
				Rs. 1,53,000/-		
				Rs. 10,000/-		
5.	Borrower/s:- Md. Hasnain S/o Mohamad Kallu and Mrs. Bina Parveen W/o Md. Hasnain Siddiqui, both R/o of Village Leduwa, Shakurabad, Pargana Mawai, District Chandauli as per Sale Deed dated 11.12.2013 registered with the Sub Registrar, Chandauli at Book No.1, Volume No.4760 at Page No.161 to 192 as Document No.13450 standing in the name of Mrs. Bina Parveen w/o Md. Hasnain Siddiqui. Boundaries as per Sale deed: East: Khet of Shiv Kumar thereafter Khet Ramji & others House of Ramzan Ali West: Khet of Rameshwar & Others North: Khet of Ramdular & Others South: Khet of Ramnandan & Others (As per Layout plan sanctioned by VDA, Varanasi dated 15.10.2018 at South 4.5 Mtr. wide) the subject property there is a Road 4.5 Mtr. wide)	Equitable Mortgage of Residential immovable property situated at Arazi No.209/2, Area 506 Sq. Mtr. i.e. 4 Biswa at Leduwa, Shakurabad, Pargana Mawai, Tehsil and District Chandauli as per Sale Deed dated 11.12.2013 registered with the Sub Registrar, Chandauli at Book No.1, Volume No.4760 at Page No.161 to 192 as Document No.13450 standing in the name of Mrs. Bina Parveen w/o Md. Hasnain Siddiqui. Boundaries as per Sale deed: East: Khet of Shiv Kumar thereafter Khet Ramji & others House of Ramzan Ali West: Khet of Rameshwar & Others North: Khet of Ramdular & Others South: Khet of Ramnandan & Others (As per Layout plan sanctioned by VDA, Varanasi dated 15.10.2018 at South 4.5 Mtr. wide) the subject property there is a Road 4.5 Mtr. wide)	Rs. 25,68,380.45 + interest from date 28.02.2022+ other expenses (minus amount, if any, paid after the issuance of Demand Notice)	Rs. 53,21,000/-	Symbolic	20.05.2026 Time Between 02:00 PM upto 05:00 PM
				Rs. 5,32,100/-		
				Rs. 25,000/-		
6.	Borrower/s:- M/s Pawan Traders registered Address K 53/46 A-1, Visheshwarganj Mahamritunjay Road, Varanasi (U.P.)-221001 through its Proprietor Mrs. Rekha Devi Guarantor (1) Mr. Pratap Kumar (2) Mrs. Leela Devi both R/o C 19/232 A-8, Lallapura, Sigra, Varanasi (U.P.)-221010.	Equitable mortgage of property standing on the name of Smt. Leela Devi House No. C-19/232 A-8, Area 2507 Sq. Ft. situated at Mauza Lallapura, Ward Chetganj, pargana Dehat Amanat, Tehsil and Distt. Varanasi. Boundaries as per Sale Deed: East: Public way thereafter Ahata Sri Pyare Lal Dixit, Sri Devan & Sri Guljar Ahmad. West: Land of Rambala Devi. North: Ahata Gria Shanker. South: Ahata Sri Bajor Shao.	Rs. 57,14,713.74 + interest from date 31.10.2023+ other expenses (minus amount, if any, paid after the issuance of Demand Notice)	Rs. 1,17,16,650/-	Symbolic	20.05.2026 Time Between 02:00 PM upto 05:00 PM
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				Rs. 50,000/-		
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2.	Borrower:- Anoop Kumar Singh C/O: Vijai Narayan 63/3/G/15A Shivkuti Teliyarganj, Allahabad Civil Lines, Allahabad, 211004 A/c - 42730893603	Make : HYUNDAI ALTR0Z DCA XZ+OS Registration No.: UP70GX4899 Engine No. REVTRN20BVXM25408 Chassis No. MAT632175RPB27050	10-06-2026		