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FINAL PUBLICATION OF ELECTORAL ROLLS

Shillong, January 22, 2004: The Electoral Registration Officers of 33-Pariong (ST), 34-Nongstoin (ST) and 36-Mawthengkut (ST) Assembly Constituencies has notified that the list of amendments to the draft Electoral Roll has been prepared with reference to January 1, 2004 as the qualifying date and in accordance with the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960.

A copy of the said Roll together with the said list of amendments has been published and will be available for inspection at the offices of the Electoral Registration Officers.

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DIGNITARIES TO TAKE THE SALUTE AT THE REPUBLIC DAY PARADE

Shillong, January 22, 2004: In connection with the Republic Day Celebration on January 26, 2004, the Office of the Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, General Administration (A) Department has informed that the dignitaries who will take the salute at the ceremonial parade are the Governor of Meghalaya, Mr. M M Jacob at Shillong, Mr. M M Danggo, Speaker, Meghalaya Legislative Assembly at Nongstoin, Mr. M Suchiang, Minister at Jowai, Mr. T C Lyngdoh, Minister at Nongpoh, Mr. B G Momin, Minister at Tura, Mr. E D Marak, Minister at Williamnagar, Mrs. D Marak, Minister at Baghmara, Mr. P T Sawkmie, Minister at Mairang, Mr. Billykid Sangma, Minister of State at Mawkyrwat, Mr. S Rymbai, Minister of State at Sohra, Mr. S Mulieh, Minister at Khliehriat, Mr. K Susngi, Minister at Amlarem, Mr. Sengman Marak, Minister of State at Resubelpara, Mr. Cyprian Sangma, Minister at Ampati, Mr. S Nongrum, Minister at Dadenggiri, Mr. Francis P R Sangma, Parliamentary Secretary at Mawshynrut (AU) and Mr. Nehlang Lyngdoh, Minister of State at Patharkhmah (AU).

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TURA CELEBRATES MEGHALAYA DAY

Shillong, January 22, 2004: Together with the rest of the State, the 32nd Meghalaya Statehood day was observed in Tura and other parts of West Garo Hills District on January 21, 2004 in a befitting manner. Major States Government Offices were illuminated with decorative lights and various programmes were organised by the different departments as part of the occasion.

The celebration brought forth some achievements by some departments in service of the public of Meghalaya in the last few years.

The Department of Information and Public relations, besides illuminating its offices in Tura, also organised a cinema show for the villagers apprising the people of the achievements of the government and exhorting them to "Say No" to militancy.

HOLIDAY DECLARED ON FEBRUARY 12

Shillong, January 22, 2004: The Deputy Commissioner, West Garo Hills, has notified that all the State Governments Offices and Educational Institutions will remain closed on February 12, 2004 in the District of West Garo Hills to enable the voters to exercise their right of franchise in connection with the general election to Garo Hills Autonomous District Council 2004.

Meanwhile, the Deputy Commissioner in exercise of rules under Act 324 of the Election Commission of India, has restricted the use of loudspeakers during election campaigns so as not to disturb public peace and tranquility. All political parties or candidates or individual persons have been asked to obtain prior permission from the district Magistrate or Sub-Divisional Magistrate before using such loudspeakers from the date of declaration of election till announcement of results. The written permission so obtained should be intimated to public authority of their respective locality, No political party, candidate, or individual will be allowed to use loudspeakers before 8:00 AM and after 7:00 PM If anyone is found violating the above rules, their loudspeakers and other gadgets will be confiscated.