

All 875 plaints of booth capturing in WB during LS polls unfounded'

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New Delhi: At least 875 booth capturing complaints were received in West Bengal during the recently-concluded Lok Sabha elections, but none were found to have any basis, law minister Arjun Ram Meghwal said in a written response to a parliamentary question on Friday.

"As no case was substantiated, the complaints were disposed of as per the report of the concerned district electoral officer and superintendent of police/ police commissioners who informed the House."

In Odisha, 12 persons were arrested and notice served on them on complaints related to capture of two booths.

In Arunachal Pradesh, one booth capture complaint was received while fresh polling was conducted and one person was arrested. In Bihar, 13 complaints of booth capture were received but all of them were found to be false on verification by Meghwal's team.

Giving details, all booth capture complaints in the last five years, the law minister said only in Bihar the election commission had received complaints: 100 during 2009 general elections, 50 during the 2020 assembly elections, and 13 during the recently-concluded Lok Sabha polls. All were found to be false.

## Case pending in SC up 35% in five years: Govt

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New Delhi: Pending cases in Supreme Court increased 35% in the past five years, from 59,659 in 2009 to 80,765 till the end of 2023, law minister Arjun Ram Meghwal informed Parliament on Thursday. In absolute terms, the number of cases has increased by over 20,900 in the past five years, increasing pressure on the country's top court despite the fact that it has been functioning at full strength.

Surejwala lambasted

govt for reducing the MSP to "maximum suffering" for farmers. He accused the budget of neglecting the needs of those involved

# Channi backs separatist MP in House, triggers uproar

## House Adjourned After Verbal Spat With Union Minister Bittu

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New Delhi: Congress member Charanjit Singh Channi in the Lok Sabha on Thursday came out in support of Union minister Arjun Ram Meghwal, saying keeping the elected MP behind bars under the National Security Act (NSA) and denying him (Amritpal) the opportunity to speak for his constituency is also an "emergency".

After taking the name of Amritpal, the Congress member said, "This is also an emergency that a Member of Parliament elected by 20 lakh people in Punjab has been detained under the NSA... He is here to speak about his constituency here (in Parliament). This is also an emergency".

Channi's comments, ho-



Congress MP Charanjit Singh Channi speaks in the Lok Sabha on Thursday.

were created an uproar with BJP members demanding answers from Congress and leader of opposition Rahul Gandhi in the Lower House.

Speaking in the Lok Sabha, Channi also engaged in heated exchange with BJP member Ravneet Singh Bittu

during a debate, leading to a war of words between the treasury and opposition benches.

The fracas saw Bittu coming to the edge of the seat of the opposition leader, who was seated by Rajya Warner responding by rushing forward. The clash led to the house being adjourned. Later, defence minister Rajnath urged the speaker to remove obnoxious words, while Congress demand for an apology from Bittu went unheeded.

Referring to the assassination of India's grandfather, late Punjab chief minister Beant Singh, Channi said, "When he became a martyr, the day you left Congress," while Bittu, jawan railway and food processing industry minister,

joined the BJP before the parliamentary election this year.

Reacting to Channi's remarks, Bittu retorted, "My grandfather made the supreme sacrifice for India, not for Congress. This person (Channi) is talking about poverty while he is the most corrupt and rich person in Punjab. I'll change my name if I am proven wrong. He is also known as 'MeToo' (an abbreviation of Me Too movement).

Bittu also made some remarks against former Congress president Sonia Gandhi, triggering a verbal spat. Leader of opposition Rahul Gandhi responded in the House on Thursday.

During the debate on the Budget, Channi accused Govt of creating conditions similar to an emergency.

# 'Tribals who moved out fearing Naxalites not willing to return'

## 5 Maoists surrender in Ch'garh; 11 this month

Rajgarh, Jharkhand: Five Maoists surrendered in Bastar, police said on Friday. Officers said that the intelligence unit of anti-Naxal operations cells in Sukma and Odisha police played a lead role in persuading these Maoists to surrender. Their bounties added up to Rs 19 lakh. The surrendered cadres face multiple criminal cases across the district, many of them in attacks on security forces. According to police, the Maoists said they were motivated by Chhattisgarh govt's surrender policy for Maoists and they were fed up with the "inhuman and hollow ideology of Maoists".

New Delhi: Tribal families displaced from Chhattisgarh due to left-wing extremism are returning to their native homes, despite the availability of rehabilitation schemes and security arrangements through security camps, govt told Parliament.

Replying to a question by Congress MP Phulo Devi Neogi, who asked whether the govt had taken steps to rehabilitate tribal families displaced from Chhattisgarh due to left-wing extremism.

He said a total of 10,489 tribal people from 2,389 families were displaced from the Sukma, Bijapur and Dantewada districts due to left-wing extremism.

According to tribal rights activists who have written to the

Union tribal affairs ministry.

The Union tribal affairs and the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes had, in July 2013, asked Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra governments to review the rehabilitation of tribal people displaced due to left-wing extremism. These people are living in deplorable conditions without access to drinking water and electricity. They receive lower wages and most of them do not have ration cards or voter IDs, a tribal rights activist said.

raised the issue with the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes and the tribal affairs ministry, an estimated 50,000 tribal people were displaced due to left-wing extremism. They receive lower wages and most of them do not have ration cards or voter IDs, a tribal rights activist said.

## No financial crisis in NHAI, says Gadkari

New Delhi: The National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) is not facing any financial crises and has drawn up a plan to service its debt through inflows of toll revenue and asset monetisation. Parliament was informed on Thursday.

In a written reply to the Lok Sabha, Union road transport and highways minister Nitin Gadkari said NHAI is not facing any financial crises which is evident from

the fact that NHAI will seek a bank loan to the tune of Rs 15,700 crore through InvIT monetisation proceeds - Rs 6,350 crore in the last financial year and Rs 9,350 crore in

## 50+ Poco cases in courts disposed of

About 15 lakh of the 2.39 lakh Poco cases in 140 exclusive Poco courts have been disposed of, the law ministry said on Thursday. Replying to a question in Rajya Sabha, Union minister Arjun Ram Meghwal said India has established 410 exclusive Poco Courts to handle cases under the Poco Act.

Nasa said the space agency and Axiom Space have signed an order for the fourth private astronaut mission to the ISS.

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