

**Under the SVEEP programme initiatives of the year 2022** The Electoral literacy club of various Government colleges had conducted a mock election on the month of May & June, the main purpose of the mock election was to create awareness among the young voters and to make them aware about how a democratic form of government works.

The Following listed Government colleges had conducted the mock election at their premises.

## **Nar Bahadur Bhandari Govt. College, Tadong, East Sikkim**

### **MOCK ELECTION REPORT**

In compliance to the letter received from the Election Cell, Gangtok, DAC Sichey, East Sikkim dated 09/05/2022 and bearing Ref. No. 11/DEO/E/2022, the Electoral Literacy Club, Nar Bahadur Bhandari Govt. College headed by Nodal Officer, Miss Makutaa Rai and team conducted a Mock Election in NBBGC, Seminar Hall on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2022.

The main objective of the event was to give the students a better understanding of democracy and to help them prepare for their role as Electors and to encourage their participation. The students were educated about the electoral process and were given a basic know how about how the electoral mechanism in the country. They were given a hands-on experience about the actual voting process at the polls. Emphasis was laid on explaining the importance of voting and to stress the fact as to why every vote matters.

The ELC Nodal Officer along with the students of final semester, Political Science Department enacted as Election Commission. Equal number of students from various departments under streams viz., B. A, B. Com and B.Sc. who had not cast votes, were identified as the Electorate. Four international football clubs namely Arsenal, Juventus, Real Madrid and PSG were chosen to represent four political parties. Two players from each club were nominated by the Electorate as candidates for State Legislative Assembly and Lok Sabha. This was done to avoid unnecessary controversy and make the entire event interesting for the students. The candidates shared their party manifesto to the Electorate and delivered speeches emphasizing on ethical voting.

The Nodal Officer educated the students regarding the voter registration process in the Electoral Roll. They were made aware of the eligibility criteria for enrolling as a voter in the country and also the fact that only registered voters can cast their vote. Eligible students above 18 years of age were made aware of registration through online mediums i.e., nvsp portal and

voterhelpline app. College ID cards or voter card was used as proof of identity for the poll. A polling station was created in the college seminar hall to resemble an actual polling station. Five students were identified to act as polling party and Presiding officer. A police team was also included. The Nodal Officer and one non-teaching staff acted as Counting Officers. Results were declared after the counting. The programme was a success yielding positive feedback from the students with regard to the experience they had.

One video clip and pictures taken during the Mock Election have been attached to serve as evidence of the programme conducted.

# Mock election conducted @ Nar Bahadur Bhandari Govt.College, Tadong



**MOCK ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY ELECTORAL  
LITERACY CLUB, SIKKIM GOVERNMENT LAW COLLEGE**

**[24<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2022]**

On 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2022, the Electoral Literacy Club of Sikkim Government Law College organized Mock Elections for the students of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year who are the New Voters for promoting electoral literacy.



**ELECTORAL LITERACY CLUB**

**Sikkim Government Law College  
is organizing**

**MOCK ELECTIONS**

**For**

**1st & 2nd Year students of  
Sikkim Government Law College.**

**On**

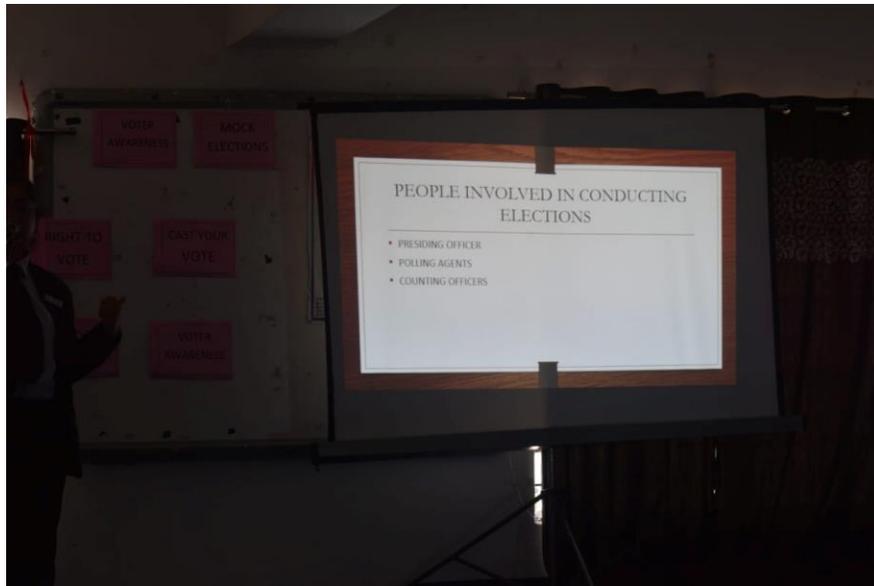
**24th May, 2022(Tuesday)  
10:30 a.m.onwards**



Prior to the mock elections a session was also organized which commenced from 10:30 a.m. onwards, whereby Ms. Neha Gupta, Campus Ambassador, Electoral Literacy Club, highlighted the significance of voting, Voter's Rights, eligibility for voter registration and the process of casting the vote was highlighted, emphasis was also laid on the fact that without voter registration and voter id, voting cannot be done, hence, the speaker urged the students to apply for the Voter ID if they haven't yet.



The option of NOTA was also discussed and the students were made aware regarding the same.



The speaker also discussed about the online and the offline mode for voter registration. To make the session interactive, during the session various questions based on the presentation were asked by the speaker which were correctly answered by the students.



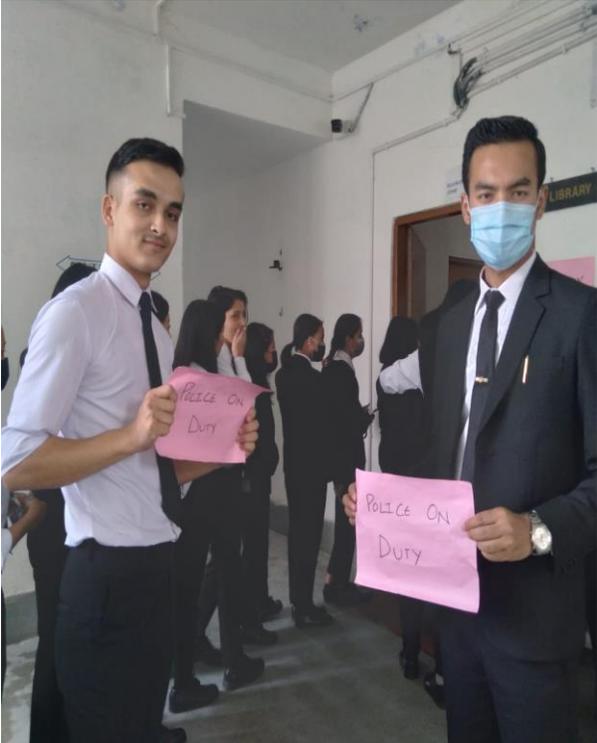
The session was followed by the Mock Election which commenced from 11:15 a.m. onwards for which the entire set up was already arranged by Electoral Literacy Club a day before i.e. on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022.



The roles of officers were enacted by the members of Electoral Literacy Club, the polling officers were Mr. Sangay Dorjee, Ms. Bharati Subba, Ms. Sonam Ongmu, Ms. Neha Gupta, the presiding officer was Ms. Soniya Chhetri.



Police on duty were also assigned in order to precisely simulate actual elections.



The counting officers were Ms. Dichen Choden Bhutia, Mr. Iksha Subba and Mr. Aniket Sharma, members, Electoral Literacy Club, Sikkim Government Law College.



After the votes were casted by the students of 1<sup>st</sup> year and 2<sup>nd</sup> year, the counting officers counted the votes and the results were subsequently declared.

The feedbacks of the students were positive and the session was fruitful.



The entire team of Electoral Literacy Club, Sikkim Govt. Law College is elated by the successful conduction of Mock Elections and is looking forward to more such activities in near future for promoting electoral literacy.

Ms. Yankee Bhutia,  
Nodal Officer,  
Electoral Literacy Club,  
Sikkim Government Law College.



**SIKKIM GOVERNMENT COLLEGE  
BURTUK, GANGTOK  
EAST SIKKIM- 737101**

**A REPORT ON MOCK ELECTION**

The Electoral Literacy Club of Sikkim Government College, Burtuk have successfully conducted the mock election on 31<sup>st</sup> may 2022 as per the direction of State Election Commission. The preparation for the said programme started from 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 with filing of nomination of the interested candidates and with campaigning process. The said election ended with voting procedure, where almost half of our college students were involved for polling and equally was the interest shown by our College teachers, who acted as Poling Officer 1, 2, 3, and 4. The said election ended with election result where one of our candidate was elected as the victorious leader.



**Mock Election organized by Burtuk Government College**

## **Sikkim Govt. College, Namchi, Sikkim**

### **MOCK ELECTION REPORT**

Date: 02/06/2022

With reference to the letter received from the office of the District Collector, Namchi District, dated 06/05/2022 and bearing Ref. No. 62/DC(S)/Elec., the Electoral Literacy Club, Sikkim Govt. College, Namchi, headed by the Nodal Officer, Dr. Panu O. Pazo (Assistant Professor and Head of Department of Political Science), Miss Tshering Doma Kaleon, Assistant Professor, and a team of 6<sup>th</sup> Semester students from the Department of Political Science conducted an exercise on Mock Elections as a part of the awareness programme of the Electoral Literacy Club from the 27<sup>th</sup> of May to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022.

The target group chosen for the exercise were students from BSc. 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester which comprised of 169 students. This was done primarily because the Physical/Natural Sciences students have comparatively less exposure to activities such as voting and other related political processes as compared to students from the Social Sciences.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of May, the BSc. 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester students were briefed on the importance of voting in a democracy and their need to participate and exercise their right to vote. This was done keeping in mind that none of the target group members had voted in the past or had any experience of electoral voting process. After the briefing, the gathering of students was told that they class represented a single constituency, the students were the voting citizens of that constituency and 8 students were chosen to represent four fictional political parties; *Sikkim Rajya Party (SRP)*, *People's Democratic League (PDL)*, *Sikkim Revolutionary Front (SRF)* *Sikkim Janta Party (SJP)* and *Republican Front (RF)*. Two candidates represented each party; one representative each for the State Legislative Assembly seat and one representative each for the Lok Sabha seat. The eight representatives campaigned by delivering short speeches and spoke on the various problems that needed to be addressed in their constituency. Some of the issues mentioned in the speeches were the need for proper educational infrastructure, water problems, lack of internet and wi-fi facility and other related issues. The session ended with the Nodal Officer informing the target - group that a model code of conduct period should be maintained from the 27<sup>th</sup> of May till the date of polling on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June.

On 1<sup>st</sup> June, the target group voters arrived at the polling station (classroom of the Department of Political Science). Polling Officer I checked the identity card of the voter against their roll numbers. Polling Officer II applied ink on the fingers of the voters. Polling Officer III gave specific instructions on the coloured pieces of paper that represented each political party and Polling Officer IV directed the voters to the Polling Booth. The Presiding Officer

maintained the overall decorum of the Polling Station. The presence of few (mock) Police and several Polling Agents provided an atmosphere of decorum and discipline in the Polling Station. The voting closed at exactly 1 pm whereby the Returning Officers I and II began the counting of votes. The final results were as follows:

**Total number of voters: 169**

**Voter turnout: 124**

**Percentage of voter turnout: 70 percent.**

**Vote Distribution for State Legislative Assembly:**

<i>Sikkim Rajya Party (SRP)</i>	: 40
<i>People's Democratic League (PDL)</i>	: 16
<i>Sikkim Revolutionary Front (SRF)</i>	: 17
<i>Sikkim Janta Party</i>	: 13
<i>Republican Front (RF)</i>	: 7
<i>NOTA</i>	:31

**Vote Distribution for Lok Sabha:**

<i>Sikkim Rajya Party (SRP)</i>	: 35
<i>People's Democratic League (PDL)</i>	: 20
<i>Sikkim Revolutionary Front (SRF)</i>	: 15
<i>Sikkim Janta Party</i>	: 10
<i>Republican Front (RF)</i>	: 15
<i>NOTA</i>	:29

**Winner of the Mock Poll Election:**

<i>State Legislative Assembly</i>	:	<i>Sikkim Rajya Party (40)</i>
<i>Lok Sabha</i>	:	<i>Sikkim Rajya Party (35)</i>

The Mock Poll was conducted successfully on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June and was completed by 2 pm. The winners of the Mock Election were later felicitated by the Head of the institution, Dr. Deepak Tewari.

The Mock Poll exercise gave the 118 student voters an enriching experience of understanding democracy through the process of elections and how each vote matters specially when capable and worthy leaders must be selected. The volunteers (students from the Department of Political Science) who assisted as Polling Officers, Presiding Officers, Polling Agents, Returning Officers and Police understood each individual officer's role and function in the entire election process. They also got a first – hand experience on knowing about the materials such as EV Machines, VV PAT machines, Polling Booth and setting up of the Polling Station and all amenities required for conducting any regular election exercise. To summarize the overall assessment of the exercise, the feedback received from the students was positive and was highly appreciated.




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**Mock Election organized by Govt College, Namchi**

# **GOVT. VOCATIONAL COLLEGE, DENTAM WEST SIKKIM**

## **A BRIEF REPORT ON MOCK ELECTION**

On Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 the Electoral Literary Club of Government Vocational College, Dentam organized a Mock Election for the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Year students who are the new voters for the upcoming Election. The session began with the presentation by Ms. Dawkit Lepcha student of 3<sup>rd</sup> year and an active member of Electoral Club whereby the significance of voting, voter's rights, the voter's registration process, the eligibility criteria for enrolling as a voter, process of casting the vote was highlighted and also emphasized on the online registration medium i.e., nvsp portal. The setup for the Mock Election such as Polling Station, Polling Booth and Counting Booth was arranged by the ELC under the supervision of Ms. Donka Lachungpa (Asst. Prof.) a committee member of ELC. The session was followed by the Mock Election where the students of 3<sup>rd</sup> year Mr. Prashant Gurung, Mr. Yogesh Sharma and Ms. Saru Ghimerey enacted as the political candidates. They made public speeches and appealed the voters to vote for them presenting their agendas and emphasizing on their allotted party symbols.

The role of presiding officer was enacted by Mr. Neeraj Gurung and the Polling officers 1,2,3,4 were enacted by Mr. Bhabindra Subba, Ms. Emerald Lepcha, Mr. Chewang Palzor Lepcha and Ms. Namoti Subba. The students of 1<sup>st</sup> year and 2<sup>nd</sup> year enacted as the voters and casted their votes one by one where the Police Personnel was enacted by the college guard Mr. Bal Bahadur Darjee. The voters proceeded from Polling Officer 1 to Polling Officer 4 following all the voting process from getting their voter ID checked to applying ink on their finger and headed towards the polling booth, casted their votes by selecting the symbol of the candidate of their choice. They were also made aware of the NOTA in case they do not like any candidate. After the votes were casted, the Counting Officers Mr. Royal Lepcha, Mr. Tashi Lopden Bhutia, Mr. Lalit Chettri and Mr. Jizdal Dorje Bhutia counted the votes in the presence of the Polling Agents of the respective candidates.

Thereby, Mr. Saurab Mukhia enacting as Returning Officer announced the results and declared Ms. Saru Ghimerey as the winner of the Mock Election.

The Mock Election was really beneficial for the new young voters as it encouraged them to participate in the democratic process and gave an opportunity to learn about the most fundamental right as a citizen, the power to vote.

Dibya Laxmi Rai(Assistant Professor)  
Nodal Officer,  
Govt. Vocational College, Dentam



**Mock Election conducted at Vocational college, Dentam under Gyalshing District**

Government College Mangshila conducted Orientation Programme for students (new voters) under SVEEP...the participants were informed regarding History of Election in India & Sikkim, Election procedure, EVM & VVPAT functionality, Eligibility & Documents required for voting, malpractices during election & need to vote ethically... Thank you!



Mock Election organized by Govt College, Mangshila under Mangan District