

Algapur by-election peaceful



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Over 70 per cent voters cast their votes in the Algapur Assembly by-election on Sunday. The polling was peaceful.

The voting which began at 8 in the morning ended at 4 in the afternoon. Polling in the constituency was held amidst tight security with 14 companies of paramilitary forces deployed. There are 12 candidates in the fray including candidates from the Congress, AGP, AIUDF and BJP besides eight Independents though the contest was expected to be direct between Congress candidate Mandira Roy and AIUDF's Mehbubul Hasan. The by-elections to Algapur was necessitated following the death of AGP MLA Sahidul Alam Choudhary on November 20 last year. The total electorate in the constituency was 140,831 voters, comprising 75,498 men and 65,333 women.

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