

Congress won the Meghalaya by-poll



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The ruling [Congress](#) won the Meghalaya's by-poll which was announced on Tuesday.

[Congress](#) candidate Bluebell Sangma had defeated her nearest rival Pillipole D Marak of the [National](#) People's Party by margin of 2550 votes in the by-election of Chokpot assembly constituency.

State election commissioner said that, the by-poll was necessitated following the death of Clifford R Marak, MLA of Garo [National](#) Council.

Bluebell Sangma had secured 8042 votes while Pillipole received 5492 votes.

Clifford R Marak's wife Kalpana D Sangma, candidate of Garo [National](#) Council had secured 5009 votes while Independent candidate Tinkerwin R Marak received 1189 votes.

Bluebell Sangma, a former member of Nationalist [Congress](#) Party who joined the [Congress](#) party before the by-poll announced.

The by-poll was held on June 27 with turnout of 83.11 percent of the 24244 electorate.

In the 60-member Meghalaya assembly, now [Congress](#) has 30 seats.

11 Independent MLA'S, two members of Nationalist [Congress](#) Party, one member of North East Democratic Socialist Party had supported to the Dr Mukul Sangma led [Congress](#) government of Meghalaya.

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