

Former Civil Servant to contest in Mangaldai LS constituency



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With the Parliamentary election round the corner, there has been palpable enthusiasm among the voters of Mangaldai Lok Sabha constituency which encompasses Assembly segments viz. Kamalpur, Rangiya, Nalbari, Paneri, Kalaigaon, Sipajhar, Mangaldoi, Dalgaon, Udalguri and Mazbat for whom the major political parties would give their tickets where veteran BJP leader and sitting MP Ramen Deka is on his second term.

The people of the constituency are looking for new faces to lead the region. The name of a young and dynamic face who is the talk of the town and has been highly anticipated as the candidate for the Indian National Congress is Dr. Dipankar Sahariah- the person who resigned from the lucrative Assam Civil Services after serving for 12 years just to fulfill his keen desire to serve the people.

Well it doesn't come as a surprise to the people of the Mangaldai Lok Sabha constituency that as to why Sahariah left the highly esteemed job of a civil servant for nasty politics as because he comes from a political family lineage where his late father Ramesh Chandra Sahariah who had been a well-known philanthropist, educationist and politician from undivided Darrang district was a two times MLA from Paneri LAC in 1972 and 1978 who also served as the Home Minister of Assam.

Saharia's mother, Mridula Saharia was elected as an MLA from Paneri LAC in 1983. The highly academically qualified Sahariah qualified for the Assam Civil Services and served in various positions including Assistant Commissioner and Officer on Special Duty, personnel department and science & technology department, Government of Assam before resigning to join the public life and serve the people. He has delivered commendable service in the areas of biotechnology, natural resource management and rural development where he has undertaken several projects and studies in the fields of watershed management, production and demonstration of quality planting material, and biofuels. Sahariah has been instrumental in bringing awareness among the people of the region in mitigating man-elephant conflict in the Indo-Bhutan border villages by carrying out plantation drives in regular periods.

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