

Poll preps complete



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The stage is set. Five Lok Sabha constituencies are all set to go to the Lok Sabha polls in its first phase on Monday. An electorate of 64,41,634, including 31,20,067 women, will exercise their franchise to decide on the fate of 51 candidates at 8,588 polling stations.

The Congress, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Trinamool Congress, All India United Democratic Front (AIUDF), Asom Gana Parishad (AGP), Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), Socialist Unity Centre of India (SUCI), Communist Party of India (Marxist), All India Forward Bloc (AIFB) and Samajwadi Party (SP) are contesting in the five seats in Tezpur, Koliabor, Jorhat, Dibrugarh and Lakhimpur in the Congress ruled state.

Among the 51 candidates, are Union ministers [Ranee Narah](#) and [Paban Singh Ghatowar](#), former Union minister and sitting Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA) [Bijoy Krishna Handique](#), chief minister [Tarun Gogoi](#)'s son [Gourav Gogoi](#) and [Bhupen Kumar Bora](#) for the Congress.

Independent candidate [Moni Kumar Subba](#) who is ailing is also in the fray.

For the BJP, its unit president [Sorbananda Sonowal](#) and [Kamakhya Prasad Tasa](#) are contesting while AGP's nominees are: [Arun Kumar Sarma](#), [Pradip Hazarika](#) and [Joseph Toppo](#).

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