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ELECTION COMMISSION OF BHUTAN

(Ensuring Free, Fair & Democratic Elections & Referendums)



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Dated: March 13, 2026

Press Release

Declaration of the Result of Bye-Election in Local Government

Pursuant to Section 457 of the Election Act of the Kingdom of Bhutan, 2008, the Election Commission of Bhutan (ECB) hereby declares the result of the Bye-Election conducted to fill the vacant post of the *Gewog Tshogde Tshogpa* in Dhangkhar_Trong *Chiwog* of Trong *Gewog* under Zhemgang *Dzongkhag*.

Ugyen Choden, holding CID No. 12008000260, has been successfully elected to the above-mentioned post during the poll held on March 12, 2026.

In terms of the overall voter turnout, of the **627** registered eligible voters (M= 303 & F= 324), 248 (EVM: 179 & Postal Ballot: 69) cast their votes on the poll day with overall voter turnout at **39.55%**.

Further details of the result is available on the ECB's web-page: <https://www.ecb.bt/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/ResultofByeElectionforGTTpostatDangkhar-TrongChiwogZhemgang-12032026.pdf>. It is hereby being notified that as per Section 580 of the Election Act of the Kingdom of Bhutan, 2008, the member elected shall only serve for the remainder of his/her predecessor's term of office.

The public and all stakeholders may note that the Election Petition Period of 10 days for this Bye-Election starts today and ends at 5 p.m. on March 22, 2026.

Issued on the 25th Day of the 1st Month of the Fire Male Horse Year, corresponding to March 13, 2026.

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