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New MPSC chairman promise to maintain transparency in recruitment process

SHILLONG: The newly appointed chairperson of Meghalaya Public Service Commission (MPSC), L.M. Sangma, has promised to maintain transparency in the recruitment process.

The MPSC had, in the past, drawn flak for its various lapses, including late declaration of results, alleged nepotism and manipulations.

Speaking to The Shillong Times a few days ago, Sangma said he was committed to ensuring that the mistakes are not repeated.

“My duty will be to make MPSC a vibrant and active body, besides ensuring transparency so that people will have more faith in the body,” said the former Special Secretary of Law.

Admitting that advertisements issued since 2013 have been pending for appointments, Sangma said he would ensure that posts are advertised and cleared in a time-bound manner. Many results have been cleared recently and some interviews are yet to be held, he added.

Asked how he plans to instill faith in applicants who are unhappy over the past recruitment scams, Sangma said candidates should not have any doubt this time as MPSC’s functioning has improved.

Sangma also asserted that he would not succumb to any pressure from any quarters while carrying out his duty as the head of MPSC.

Sangma was born on May 29, 1958, in the nondescript Memillam village in North Garo Hills and is the first person from the Garo community to become the Special Secretary of the Law department.

He retired on June 30 this year after serving the department for 28 years. It was after serving the Survey of Meghalaya that Sangma joined the Law department in 1988.

It was during his tenure in the department that the separation of Executive and Judiciary and the inauguration of the High Court of Meghalaya took place.