

Snapshot of False Narratives during the Local Government Elections 2025

Period: 2nd to 3rd May

Summary

The post-May Day period saw a continued proliferation of misinformation and disinformation targeting political figures, media personnel, and the electoral process. Emerging narratives included the rise of politically charged satire, fabricated threats involving underworld figures, gendered disinformation campaigns, and the sustained circulation of false election data. While some narratives were overtly satirical, others blurred the line between fiction and plausible reality, creating confusion and potentially undermining public trust in democratic institutions.

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