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## WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN DECISION

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Participation in decision-making plays an important role in empowerment of women. This chapter focuses on following parameters:
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Some important findings:-

## Women in State Assembly Election

> Participation of women electors in the State Assembly elections over the years has been very encouraging. In the $13^{\text {th }}$ State Assembly Election (2018), there were $82.48 \%$ women electors as against 86.09 \% men. In constituency wise, Southern Angami-II with 53.55 \% has the highest percentage of female electors to total electors followed by Southern Angami-I with 52.95 \% under kohima district. Phomching under Mon district with 43.66 \% has the lowest percentage of female electors to total electors.
$>$ There were 5 (Five) women contestants as against 190 male contestants during the $13^{\text {th }}$ state assembly election. So far, no women contestants has managed to win a seat in the state legislative assembly.

## Lok Sabha General Election

$>$ Female participation (voters) in the Lok Sabha election has increased from $60.37 \%$ in the $5^{\text {th }}$ general election (1971) to $87.75 \%$ in the $16^{\text {th }}$ general election (2014) as against corresponding male counterpart of $56.82 \%$ and $88.74 \%$.
> Until now, two women have contested in the Lok Sabha election in the year 1977 \& 1980. One female candidate managed to get elected during 1977.

## Women Judges and Magistrates in Nagaland

> During 2018, there were four female District judges, seven female junior civil judges and two female senior civil judges.

Table-5.1: Total Electorate(Voters) and Percentage of Voting by Sex in various General Elections to State Legislative Assembly in Nagaland from 1964 to 2018

| General Election | Year | Total no. of Electors(Voters) |  |  | Women | Men | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Men | Total |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ |  |
| 1st | 1964 |  |  | 124166 |  |  | 50.51 |
| 2nd | 1969 | 83102 | 93829 | 176931 | 80.51 | 76.47 | 78.37 |
| 3rd | 1974 | 176156 | 224166 | 400322 | 77.47 | 71.09 | 74.35 |
| 4rd | 1977 | 183223 | 214812 | 398035 | 84.48 | 82.21 | 83.26 |
| 5th | 1982 | 266163 | 330290 | 596453 | 76.53 | 72.75 | 74.44 |
| 6th | 1987 | 262574 | 319379 | 581953 | 86.02 | 83.29 | 84.53 |
| 7th | 1989 | 261805 | 320611 | 582416 | 86.01 | 85.35 | 85.65 |
| 8th | 1993 | 381661 | 421250 | 802911 | 91.05 | 91.98 | 91.53 |
| 9th | 1998 | 438848 | 487721 | 926569 | 21.72 | 22.65 | 22.21 |
| 10th | 2003 | 485364 | 529477 | 1014841 | 85.98 | 89.56 | 87.85 |
| 11th | 2008 | 635875 | 666391 | 1302266 | 86.39 | 85.99 | 86.19 |
| 12th | 2013 | 590150 | 608299 | 1198449 | 91.33 | 89.09 | 90.19 |
| 13th | 2018 | 591440 | 579108 | 1170548 | 82.48 | 86.09 | 84.29 |

Source: Chief Electoral officer, Nagaland: Kohima.

Table-5.2: Number of persons contested and elected by sex in varous General Election to State Legislative Assembly in Nagaland from 1964 to 2018

| General <br> Election | Year | Total No. of seats | No. of contestants |  | Female |  | Male |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Female | Male | No. of elected | $\%$ of winning to total seats | No. of elected | $\%$ of winning to total seats |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 1st | 1964 | 40 | 0 | 73 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 100 |
| 2nd | 1969 | 40 | 2 | 142 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 100 |
| 3rd | 1974 | 60 | 0 | 219 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 4th | 1977 | 60 | 0 | 204 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 5th | 1982 | 60 | 1 | 244 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 6th | 1987 | 60 | 3 | 211 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 7th | 1989 | 60 | 0 | 140 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 8th | 1993 | 60 | 1 | 177 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 9th | 1998 | 60 | 0 | 80 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 10th | 2003 | 60 | 3 | 222 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 11th | 2008 | 60 | 4 | 214 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 12th | 2013 | 60 | 2 | 187 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |
| 13th | 2018 | 59 | 5 | 190 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 100 |

NB: 59 Acs Contested and 1 AC I.e 11-Northern Angami - 11 Ac uncontested
Table-5.3: Total Electorate (Voters) \& Percentage of Voting by Sex in various General Election to Lok Sabha in Nagaland from 1964-2014.

| General <br> Election | Year | Total No. of Electorates(Voters) |  |  | $\%$ of Electors(Voters) voted in elections |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Women | $\mathbf{M e n}$ | $\mathbf{T o t a l}$ | Women | Men | Total |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| 1st | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A |
| 2nd | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A |
| 3rd | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A | N.A |
| 4th | 1967 | N.A | N.A | 214951 | N.A | N.A | uncontest |
| 5th | 1971 | 130263 | 145196 | 275459 | 50.37 | 56.82 | $\mathbf{5 3 . 7 7}$ |
| 6th | 1977 | 210664 | 262593 | 473257 | 50.36 | 54.81 | $\mathbf{5 2 . 8 3}$ |
| 7th | 1980 | 212719 | 247364 | 460083 | 64.59 | 63.31 | $\mathbf{6 3 . 9 0}$ |
| 8th | 1984 | 270787 | 323275 | 594062 | 65.02 | 67.67 | $\mathbf{6 6 . 4 6}$ |
| 9th | 1989 | 360458 | 452553 | 813011 | 75.70 | 73.93 | $\mathbf{7 4 . 7 1}$ |
| 10th | 1991 | 365211 | 449625 | 814836 | 76.18 | 78.18 | $\mathbf{7 7 . 0 7}$ |
| 11th | 1996 | 416617 | 457901 | 874518 | 85.47 | 90.92 | $\mathbf{8 8 . 3 2}$ |
| 12th | 1998 | 438848 | 487721 | 926569 | 43.07 | 47.50 | $\mathbf{4 5 . 4 1}$ |
| 13th | 1999 | 450515 | 505399 | 955914 | 75.29 | 76.67 | $\mathbf{7 6 . 1 0}$ |
| 14th | 2004 | 494319 | 547114 | 1041433 | 90.26 | 92.63 | $\mathbf{9 1 . 5 0}$ |
| 15th | 2009 | 645156 | 676722 | 1321878 | 89.29 | 91.19 | $\mathbf{9 0 . 2 6}$ |
| 16th | 2014 | 582454 | 600518 | 1182972 | 87.75 | 88.74 | $\mathbf{8 8 . 2 5}$ |

Source: Chief Electoral officer, Nagaland: Kohima.

Table-5.4: No. of person contested and elected by Voting by Sex in various General Election to Lok Sabha in Nagaland from 1964-2014

| General <br> Election | Year | Total No. of <br> Seats |  | Total No. of <br> Electorates(Voters) |  | Female |  | Male |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Women | Men | No. of Elected | $\%$ of winning | No. of Elected | $\%$ of winning |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |  |
| 1st |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2nd |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3rd |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4th | 1967 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 5th | 1971 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 6th | 1977 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 100 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 7th | 1980 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 8th | 1984 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 9th | 1989 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 10th | 1991 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 11th | 1996 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 12th | 1998 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 13th | 1999 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 14th | 2004 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 15th | 2009 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |
| 16th | 2014 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 100 |  |

Source: Chief Electoral officer, Nagaland: Kohima.

Table-5.5:(A) Assembly segment-wise female electorate of Nagaland during General Election 2013

| Sl.No. | Assembly segment No. and Name | Electors |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Female | \% of female electors to total electors |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 1 | Dimapur-I | 19875 | 9095 | 45.76 |
| 2 | Dimapur-II | 46518 | 22246 | 47.82 |
| 3 | Dimapur-III | 27744 | 13583 | 48.96 |
| 4 | Ghaspani-I | 58728 | 28837 | 49.10 |
| 5 | Ghaspani-II | 30388 | 14924 | 49.11 |
| 6 | Tening | 29026 | 14376 | 49.53 |
| 7 | Peren | 28091 | 14336 | 51.03 |
| 8 | Western Angami | 16283 | 8307 | 51.02 |
| 9 | Kohima Town | 29995 | 14703 | 49.02 |
| 10 | Northern Angami-I | 16432 | 8588 | 52.26 |
| 11 | Northern Angami-II | 19089 | 9697 | 50.80 |
| 12 | Tseminyu | 25530 | 13103 | 51.32 |
| 13 | Southern Angami-I | 13400 | 7027 | 52.44 |
| 14 | Southern Angami-II | 17079 | 9162 | 53.64 |
| 15 | Pughoboto | 12862 | 6481 | 50.39 |
| 16 | Pfutsero | 21946 | 11279 | 51.39 |
| 17 | Chizami | 17511 | 8889 | 50.76 |
| 18 | Chazouba | 25731 | 13280 | 51.61 |
| 19 | Phek | 22289 | 10991 | 49.31 |
| 20 | Meluri | 19551 | 962 | 49.21 |
| 21 | Tuli | 17782 | 8326 | 46.82 |
| 22 | Arkakong | 16617 | 8164 | 49.13 |
| 23 | Impur | 10138 | 4962 | 48.94 |
| 24 | Angetyongpang | 14859 | 7146 | 48.09 |
| 25 | Mongoya | 14824 | 7461 | 50.33 |
| 26 | Aonglenden | 11949 | 5942 | 49.73 |
| 27 | Mokokchung Town | 5814 | 2913 | 50.10 |
| 28 | Koridang | 18843 | 9187 | 48.76 |
| 29 | Jangpetkong | 10750 | 5215 | 48.51 |
| 30 | Alongtaki | 13825 | 6810 | 49.26 |

Source: Chief Electoral officer, Nagaland: Kohima.

Table-5.5:(A) cont.: Assembly segment-wise female electorate of Nagaland during General Election 2013

| Sl.No. | Assembly segment No. and Name | Electors |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Female | \% of female electors to total electors |
| 31 | Akuluto | 10726 | 5272 | 49.15 |
| 32 | Atoizu | 16075 | 8098 | 50.38 |
| 33 | Suruhuto | 14261 | 6927 | 48.57 |
| 34 | Aghunato | 14777 | 7596 | 51.40 |
| 35 | Zuhneboto | 21547 | 10752 | 49.90 |
| 36 | Satakha | 16026 | 8033 | 50.12 |
| 37 | Tyui | 12212 | 10659 | 50.25 |
| 38 | Wokha | 34277 | 17077 | 49.82 |
| 39 | Sanis | 22213 | 11077 | 49.87 |
| 40 | Bhandari | 25129 | 12083 | 48.08 |
| 41 | Tizit | 18462 | 8824 | 47.80 |
| 42 | Wakching | 19211 | 9130 | 47.52 |
| 43 | Tapi | 14746 | 7064 | 47.90 |
| 44 | Phomching | 19403 | 9196 | 47.39 |
| 45 | Tehok | 15453 | 7341 | 47.51 |
| 46 | Mon Town | 19925 | 9515 | 47.75 |
| 47 | Aboi | 11253 | 5459 | 48.51 |
| 48 | Moka | 17079 | 8313 | 48.67 |
| 49 | Tobu | 18513 | 9006 | 48.65 |
| 50 | Tamlu | 14460 | 6776 | 48.86 |
| 51 | Longleng | 22861 | 10855 | 47.48 |
| 52 | Noksen | 12088 | 5932 | 49.07 |
| 53 | Longkhim-Chare | 20333 | 10001 | 49.19 |
| 54 | Tuensand Sadar-I | 22084 | 10268 | 46.50 |
| 55 | Tuensang Sadar-II | 19505 | 9687 | 49.66 |
| 56 | Noklak | 15427 | 7405 | 48.00 |
| 57 | Thonoknyu | 18310 | 8913 | 48.68 |
| 58 | Shamator-Chessore | 17622 | 8847 | 50.20 |
| 59 | Seyochung Sitimi | 22154 | 11066 | 49.95 |
| 60 | Pungro- Kiphire | 29848 | 14326 | 48.00 |

Source: Chief Electoral officer, Nagaland: Kohima.

Table-5.5(B): Assembly segment-wise female electorate of Nagaland during General Election 2018

| Sl.No. | Assembly segment No. and Name | Electors |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Female | \% of female electors to total electors |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 1 | Dimapur-I | 22808 | 10900 | 47.79 |
| 2 | Dimapur-II | 52179 | 25808 | 49.46 |
| 3 | Dimapur-III | 33223 | 16481 | 49.61 |
| 4 | Ghaspani-I | 66259 | 33040 | 49.86 |
| 5 | Ghaspani-II | 26455 | 13050 | 49.33 |
| 6 | Tening | 26619 | 13153 | 49.41 |
| 7 | Peren | 29168 | 14825 | 50.83 |
| 8 | Western Angami | 16909 | 8658 | 51.20 |
| 9 | Kohima Town | 31641 | 15708 | 49.64 |
| 10 | Northern Angami-I | 17047 | 8973 | 52.64 |
| 11 | Northern Angami-II | 21006 | 10698 | 50.93 |
| 12 | Tseminyu | 24411 | 12481 | 51.13 |
| 13 | Southern Angami-I | 13394 | 7092 | 52.95 |
| 14 | Southern Angami-II | 17504 | 9374 | 53.55 |
| 15 | Pughoboto | 13416 | 6643 | 49.52 |
| 16 | Pfutsero | 20622 | 10636 | 51.58 |
| 17 | Chizami | 17084 | 8700 | 50.92 |
| 18 | Chazouba | 24803 | 12754 | 51.42 |
| 19 | Phek | 21068 | 10443 | 49.57 |
| 20 | Meluri | 17989 | 8769 | 48.75 |
| 21 | Tuli | 17384 | 8225 | 47.31 |
| 22 | Arkakong | 16379 | 8013 | 48.92 |
| 23 | Impur | 10178 | 4958 | 48.71 |
| 24 | Angetyongpang | 15566 | 7522 | 48.32 |
| 25 | Mongoya | 16014 | 8124 | 50.73 |
| 26 | Aonglenden | 12132 | 6087 | 50.17 |
| 27 | Mokokchung Town | 7179 | 3591 | 50.02 |
| 28 | Koridang | 17357 | 8460 | 48.74 |
| 29 | Jangpetkong | 11277 | 5457 | 48.39 |
| 30 | Alongtaki | 14407 | 7176 | 49.81 |

Source: Chief Electoral officer, Nagaland: Kohima.

Table-5.5(B): cont.: Assembly segment-wise female electorate of Nagaland during General Election 2018

| Sl.No. | Assembly segment No. and Name | Electors |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Female | $\%$ of female electors to total electors |
| 31 | Akuluto | 10014 | 4887 | 48.80 |
| 32 | Atoizu | 15594 | 7879 | 50.53 |
| 33 | Suruhuto | 14977 | 7279 | 48.60 |
| 34 | Aghunato | 14881 | 7629 | 51.27 |
| 35 | Zuhneboto | 20621 | 10302 | 49.96 |
| 36 | Satakha | 16189 | 8020 | 49.54 |
| 37 | Tyui | 22695 | 11334 | 49.94 |
| 38 | Wokha | 31361 | 15409 | 49.13 |
| 39 | Sanis | 22357 | 10946 | 48.96 |
| 40 | Bhandari | 25876 | 12506 | 48.33 |
| 41 | Tizit | 18127 | 8478 | 46.77 |
| 42 | Wakching | 14892 | 7207 | 48.40 |
| 43 | Tapi | 12322 | 5855 | 47.52 |
| 44 | Phomching | 16513 | 7210 | 43.66 |
| 45 | Tehok | 11640 | 5252 | 45.12 |
| 46 | Mon Town | 18159 | 8718 | 48.01 |
| 47 | Aboi | 11921 | 5645 | 47.35 |
| 48 | Moka | 16141 | 7566 | 46.87 |
| 49 | Tobu | 18637 | 9216 | 49.45 |
| 50 | Tamlu | 16444 | 7802 | 47.45 |
| 51 | Longleng | 25211 | 12256 | 48.61 |
| 52 | Noksen | 11643 | 5500 | 47.24 |
| 53 | Longkhim-Chare | 21129 | 10253 | 48.53 |
| 54 | Tuensand Sadar-I | 21605 | 10033 | 46.44 |
| 55 | Tuensang Sadar-II | 15102 | 7266 | 48.11 |
| 56 | Noklak | 15561 | 7490 | 48.13 |
| 57 | Thonoknyu | 18484 | 8944 | 48.39 |
| 58 | Shamator-Chessore | 17363 | 8590 | 49.47 |
| 59 | Seyochung Sitimi | 21744 | 10928 | 50.26 |
| 60 | Pungro- Kiphire | 28757 | 13650 | 47.47 |

Source: Chief Electoral officer, Nagaland: Kohima.

Table-5.6: Performance of women contestants for Loksabha in Nagaland and India from 10th to 16 th general election.

| Sl.No. | General Election and Year | NAGALAND |  |  |  | INDIA |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Number of seats available for election | Number of women |  |  | Number of seats available for election | Number of women |  |  |
|  |  |  | Contestants | Elected | Securities <br> (Deposits <br> Forfieted |  | Contestants | Elected | Securities <br> (Deposits <br> Forfieted) |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 1 | 10th Loksabha(1991) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 524 | 326 | 37 | 249 |
| 2 | 11th Loksabha(1996) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 543 | 599 | 40 | 518 |
| 3 | 12th Loksabha(1998) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 543 | 274 | 43 | 184 |
| 4 | 13th Loksabha(1999) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 543 | 284 | 49 | 183 |
| 5 | 14th Loksabha(2004) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 543 | 355 | 45 | 239 |
| 6 | 15th Loksabha(2009) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 543 | 556 | 59 | 441 |
| 7 | 16th Loksabha(2014) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 543 | 668 | 62 | 525 |

Source: Chief Electoral officer, Nagaland: Kohima.

Table-5.7: Women judges and magistrates in Nagaland from 2010 to 2017

|  |  | District judges |  | Senior civil judges |  | Junior civil judges |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sl.No. | Year | Total | Female | Total | Female | Total | Female |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| 1 | 2010 | 10 | 2 | 3 | Nil | 9 | 3 |
| 2 | 2011 | 9 | 2 | 3 | Nil | 9 | 3 |
| 3 | 2012 | 8 | 2 | 3 | Nil | 9 | 3 |
| 4 | 2013 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 2 |
| 5 | 2014 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 4 |
| 6 | 2015 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 9 | 4 |
| 7 | 2016 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 2 |
| 8 | 2017 | 13 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| 9 | 2018 | 12 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 10 | 7 |

Source: Gauhati High Cout, Kohima Bench

