Chapter 5

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:

- **5.1**: Total Electorate (Voters) and Percentage of Voting by Sex in various General Elections to State Legislative Assembly in Nagaland Representation of Women in the Central Council of Ministers
- **5.2**: Number of persons contested and elected by sex in various General Election to State Legislative Assembly in Nagaland
- **5.3**: Total Electorate (Voters) & Percentage of Voting by Sex in various General Election to Lok Sabha in Nagaland
- **5.4**: Number of person contested and elected by Sex in various General Election to Lok Sabha in Nagaland
- 5.5: Assembly segment wise female electorate of Nagaland
- **5.6**: Performance of women contestants for Lok Sabha in Nagaland and India
- **5.7**: Women judges and magistrates in Nagaland

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 13th 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 13th 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 5th general election (1971) to 87.75% in the 16th 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

		Total no. of Elec	Total no. of Electors(Voters)			% of Electors (Voters) voted in Elections			
General Election	Year	Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total		
1	2	3	4	5	6	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		

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

			No. of co	ontestants	Female		M	ale
General		Total No. of			No. of	% of winning to	No. of	% of winning to
Election	Year	seats	Female	Male	elected	total seats	elected	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 Election Year		Total No.	. of Electora	tes(Voters)	% of Electors(Voters) voted in elections		
Licetion		Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	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	53.77
6th	1977	210664	262593	473257	50.36	54.81	52.83
7th	1980	212719	247364	460083	64.59	63.31	63.90
8th	1984	270787	323275	594062	65.02	67.67	66.46
9th	1989	360458	452553	813011	75.70	73.93	74.71
10th	1991	365211	449625	814836	76.18	78.18	77.07
11th	1996	416617	457901	874518	85.47	90.92	88.32
12th	1998	438848	487721	926569	43.07	47.50	45.41
13th	1999	450515	505399	955914	75.29	76.67	76.10
14th	2004	494319	547114	1041433	90.26	92.63	91.50
15th	2009	645156	676722	1321878	89.29	91.19	90.26
16th	2014	582454	600518	1182972	87.75	88.74	88.25

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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	Year	Total No. of	Total No. of Electorates(Voters)		Female		Male	
Election		Seats	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

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

		Electors					
Sl.No.	Assembly segment No. and Name	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			

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

		Electors							
				% of female					
	Assembly segment No. and			electors to total					
Sl.No.	Name	Total	Female	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	Тарі	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					

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

	Assembly segment No. and			Electors
Sl.No.	Name	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

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

		Electors				
Sl.No.	Assembly segment No. and Name	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		

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

			NAGAL		INDIA				
			Numb	er of won	nen		Numb	er of wo	men
Sl.No.	General Election and Year	Number of seats available for election	Contestants	Elected	Securities (Deposits Forfieted)	Number of seats available for election	Contestants	Elected	Securities (Deposits 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

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

		District judges		Senior c	ivil judges	Junior civil judges	
Sl.No.	Year	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	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