



KEY HIGHLIGHTS
OF
GENERAL ELECTION, 1979
TO
THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF
SIKKIM

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA
NEW DELHI

**Election Commission of India – General Election, 1979 to the Legislative
Assembly of SIKKIM**

STATISTICAL REPORT

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LIST OF PARTICIPATING POLITICAL PARTIES

| PARTYTYPE | ABBREVIATION | PARTY |
|--|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| NATIONAL PARTIES | | |
| 1 . | CPM | COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA (MARXIST) |
| 2 . | INC | INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS |
| 3 . | JNP | JANTA PARTY |
| STATE PARTIES | | |
| 4 . | SCL | SIKKIM SCHEDULED CASTES LEAGUE |
| 5 . | SCR | SIKKIM CONGRESS (R) |
| REGISTERED(Unrecognised) PARTIES | | |
| 6 . | SJP | SIKKIM JANTA PARISHAD |
| 7 . | SPC | SIKKIM PRAJATANTRA CONGRESS |
| INDEPENDENTS | | |
| 8 . | IND | INDEPENDENTS |

OTHER ABBREVIATIONS AND DESCRIPTION

| ABBREVIATION | DESCRIPTION |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| FD | Forfeited Deposits |
| Gen | General Constituency |
| SC | Reserved for Scheduled Castes |
| ST | Reserved for Scheduled Tribes |
| M | Men |
| W | Women |
| T | Total |
| N | National Party |
| S | State Party |
| U | Registered (Unrecognised) Party |
| Z | Independent |

HIGHLIGHTS

1. NO. OF CONSTITUENCIES

| TYPE OF CONSTITUENC | GEN | SC | ST | TOTAL |
|----------------------|-----|----|----|-------|
| NO. OF CONSTITUENCIE | 18 | 2 | 12 | 32 |

2. NO. OF CONTESTANTS

| NO. OF CONTESTANTS IN A CONSTITUENCY | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6-10 | 11-15 | Above15 |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|------|-------|---------|
| NO. OF SUCH CONSTITUENCIES | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 21 | 2 | 1 |

TOTAL CONTESTANTS IN FRAY : 244

AVERAGE CONTESTANTS PER CONSTITUENCY : 8

MINIMUM CONTESTANTS IN A CONSTITUENCY : 2 IN 32 - SANGHA

MAXIMUM CONTESTANTS IN A CONSTITUENCY : 17 IN 31 - GANGTOK

3. ELECTORS

| | MEN | WOMEN | TOTAL |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| i. NO. OF ELECTORS | 65913 | 51244 | 117157 |
| ii. NO. OF ELECTORS WHO VOTED | 42626 | 33673 | 76299 |
| iii. POLLING PERCENTAGE | 64.67% | 65.71% | 65.13% |

4. NO. OF VALID VOTES : 72339

5. NO. OF VOTES REJECTED : 3960 (5.19% of Total Votes Polled)

6. NO. OF POLLING STATIONS : 213

7. AVERAGE NO. OF ELECTORS PER POLLING STATION : 550

8. PERFORMANCE OF WOMEN CANDIDATES VIS-A-VIS MEN CANDIDATES

| | MEN | WOMEN | TOTAL |
|-------------------------|-----|-------|-------|
| i. NO. OF CONTESTANTS | 233 | 11 | 244 |
| ii. ELECTED | 32 | 0 | 32 |
| iii. FORFEITED DEPOSITS | 163 | 10 | 173 |

LIST OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES

| CONSTITUENCY | WINNER | SEX | PARTY |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----|-------|
| 1. YOKSAM | SANCHAMAN LIMBOO | M | SJP |
| 2. TASHIDING (ST) | DAWGYAL PENTSO BHUTIA | M | SJP |
| 3. GEYZING | INDRA BAHADUR LIMBOO | M | SJP |
| 4. DENTAM | PADAM LAL GURUNG | M | SCR |
| 5. BARMIOK | TIL BAHADUR LIMBU | M | SJP |
| 6. RINCHENPONG (ST) | KATUK BHUTIA | M | SJP |
| 7. CHAKUNG | B.B. GURUNG | M | SCR |
| 8. SOREONG | NAR BAHADUR BHANDARI | M | SJP |
| 9. DARAMDIN | PADAM BAHADUR GURUNG | M | SJP |
| 10. JORTHANG-NAYABAZAR | BHIM BAHADUR GURUNG | M | SCR |
| 11. RALONG (ST) | CHAMLA TSHERING | M | SCR |
| 12. WAK | GARJAMAN GURUNG | M | SPC |
| 13. DAMTHANG | PRADEEP YANZONE | M | SCR |
| 14. MELLI | MOHAN PRASAD SHARMA | M | SJP |
| 15. RATEYPANI - WEST PENDAM (SC) | BIR BAHADUR LOHAR | M | SCR |
| 16. TEMI-TARKU | NAR BAHADUR KHATIWADA | M | SPC |
| 17. CENTRAL PENDAM-EAST PENDAM | BHUWANI PRASAD KHAREL | M | SCR |
| 18. RHENOCK | KHARANANDA UPRETI | M | SCR |
| 19. REGU | TULSHI SHARMA | M | SJP |
| 20. PATHING (ST) | RAM LEPCHA | M | SCR |
| 21. LOOSING PACHEKHANI | JAGAT BANDHU PRADHAN | M | SCR |
| 22. KHAMDONG (SC) | DAL BAHADUR DAMAI | M | SPC |
| 23. DJONGU (ST) | ATHUP LEPCHA | M | SJP |
| 24. LACHEN MANGSHILA (ST) | TENZING DADUL BHUTIA | M | SJP |
| 25. KABI TINGDA (ST) | SONAM TSHERING | M | SJP |
| 26. RAKDONG TINTEK (ST) | DUGO BHUTIA | M | SPC |
| 27. MARTAM (ST) | SAMTEN TSHERING | M | SJP |
| 28. RUMTEK (ST) | DADUL BHUTIA | M | SJP |
| 29. ASSAM LINGJEY (ST) | SHERAB PALDEN | M | SJP |
| 30. RANKA (ST) | DORJI TSHERING BHUTIA | M | SCR |
| 31. GANGTOK | LALL BAHADUR BASNET | M | SJP |
| 32. SANGHA | LHACHEN GANCHEN RIMPUCHHI | M | IND |

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| PERFORMANCE OF POLITICAL PARTIES |
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| PARTY | SEATS | | | VOTES POLLED | | VOTE % IN SEATS CONTESTED |
|--|-----------|-----|-----|--------------|--------|---------------------------|
| | CONTESTED | WON | FD | VOTES | % | |
| NATIONAL PARTIES | | | | | | |
| 1 . CPM | 2 | 0 | 2 | 241 | 0.33% | 5.34% |
| 2 . INC | 12 | 0 | 12 | 1476 | 2.04% | 5.33% |
| 3 . JNP | 30 | 0 | 21 | 9534 | 13.18% | 13.79% |
| | 44 | 0 | 35 | 11251 | 15.55% | |
| STATE PARTIES | | | | | | |
| 4 . SCL | 2 | 0 | 2 | 85 | 0.12% | 1.73% |
| 5 . SCR | 27 | 11 | 11 | 14889 | 20.58% | 23.38% |
| | 29 | 11 | 13 | 14974 | 20.70% | |
| REGISTERED (Unrecognised) PARTIES | | | | | | |
| 6 . SJP | 31 | 16 | 4 | 22776 | 31.49% | 31.83% |
| 7 . SPC | 32 | 4 | 19 | 11400 | 15.76% | 15.76% |
| | 63 | 20 | 23 | 34176 | 47.24% | |
| INDEPENDENTS | | | | | | |
| 8 . IND | 108 | 1 | 102 | 11938 | 16.50% | 16.91% |
| | 108 | 1 | 102 | 11938 | 16.50% | |
| Grand Total : | 244 | 32 | 173 | 72339 | | |

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| CANDIDATES DATA SUMMARY |
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| | TYPE OF CONSTITUENCY | | | TOTAL |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|----|----|-------|
| | GEN | SC | ST | |
| 1. NO. OF CONSTITUENCIES | 18 | 2 | 12 | 32 |
| 2. NOMINATIONS FILED | | | | |
| a. Men | 233 | 0 | 0 | 233 |
| b. Women | 11 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| c. Total | 244 | 0 | 0 | 244 |
| 3. NOMINATIONS REJECTED | | | | |
| a. Men | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| b. Women | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| c. Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4. NOMINATIONS WITHDRAWN | | | | |
| a. Men | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| b. Women | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| c. Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5. CONTESTING CANDIDATES | | | | |
| a. Men | 233 | 0 | 0 | 233 |
| b. Women | 11 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| c. Total | 244 | 0 | 0 | 244 |
| 6. FORFEITED DEPOSITS | | | | |
| a. Men | 163 | 0 | 0 | 163 |
| b. Women | 10 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| c. Total | 173 | 0 | 0 | 173 |

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| ELECTORS DATA SUMMARY |
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| | TYPE OF CONSTITUENCY | | | TOTAL |
|---|----------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| | GEN | SC | ST | |
| 1. NO. OF CONSTITUENCIES | 18 | 2 | 12 | 32 |
| 2. ELECTORS | | | | |
| a. Men | 39999 | 4074 | 21840 | 65913 |
| b. Women | 29493 | 3357 | 18394 | 51244 |
| c. Total | 69492 | 7431 | 40234 | 117157 |
| 3. ELECTORS WHO VOTED | | | | |
| a. Men | 26107 | 2923 | 13596 | 42626 |
| b. Women | 19801 | 2391 | 11481 | 33673 |
| c. Total | 45908 | 5314 | 25077 | 76299 |
| 4. POLL PERCENTAGE | 66.06 | 71.51 | 62.33 | 65.13 |
| 5. VALID VOTES | 43690 | 4926 | 23723 | 72339 |
| 6. REJECTED VOTES | | | | |
| a. Votes | 2218 | 388 | 1354 | 3960 |
| b. Percentage | 4.83 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.19 |
| 7. MISSING VOTES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8. NO. OF POLLING STATIONS | 122 | 15 | 76 | 213 |
| 9. AVERAGE NO. OF ELECTORS PER POLLING STATION | 570 | 495 | 529 | 550 |

WOMEN CANDIDATES

| CONSTITUENCY | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|-------|--------------|-------|-------|-------------------|--------|-------------------------|--|
| Rank | CANDIDATE | PARTY | Votes Polled | | Statu | Winner's Votes | Margin | Total Valid Votes | |
| | | | Votes | % | | | | | |
| 2 - TASHIDING (ST) | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | RUTH KARTHOK LEPCHANI | IND | 68 | 4.40 | F | 729 | 661 | 1547 | |
| 5 - BARMIOK | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | MANITA PRADHAN | SCR | 419 | 20.22 | N | 688 | 269 | 2072 | |
| 8 - SOREONG | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | FUL MAYA LIMBUNI | IND | 140 | 5.37 | F | 1833 | 1693 | 2609 | |
| 16 - TEMI-TARKU | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | DURGA LAMA PRADHAN | IND | 156 | 7.71 | F | 762 | 606 | 2023 | |
| 17 - CENTRAL PENDAM-EAST PENDAM | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | RUTH KARTHAK LEPCHANI | IND | 46 | 1.30 | F | 1346 | 1300 | 3548 | |
| 21 - LOOSING PACHEKHANI | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | SHOVA KANTI LEPCHA | JNP | 169 | 8.42 | F | 889 | 720 | 2007 | |
| 9 | DAMBER KUMARI PRADHAN | IND | 17 | 0.85 | F | 889 | 872 | 2007 | |
| 24 - LACHEN MANGSHILA (ST) | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | PHUTIK BHUTIA | SPC | 70 | 3.70 | F | 864 | 794 | 1894 | |
| 27 - MARTAM (ST) | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | RUTH KARTHAK LEPCHANI | IND | 82 | 4.14 | F | 731 | 649 | 1979 | |
| 30 - RANKA (ST) | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | DNKI CHODEN BHUTIA | JNP | 213 | 10.62 | F | 679 | 466 | 2006 | |
| 31 - GANGTOK | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | SANTOSH NIRASH | IND | 14 | 0.32 | F | 1707 | 1693 | 4389 | |

N.B. : Candidate Status : W - Winner, F - Forfeited Deposit, N - Not Won and not Forfeited Deposit.

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| Total Women Contestants: | 11 |
| Total Elected Women : | 0 |