

Press Release

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Asset Comparison of Newly Elected MLAs (who also contested in 2007) in Himachal Pradesh Assembly Elections 2012

Executive Summary

- 47 newly elected MLAs whose complete affidavits were available from 2007 assembly elections have been analyzed for the Himachal Pradesh Assembly Elections 2012
- The average assets of these newly elected MLAs (who contested elections in 2007 also) in 2007 was Rs 3,59,99,865 (3.59 crore)
- The average assets of these newly elected MLAs (who contested elections in 2007 also) now in 2012 is Rs 7,63,18,150 (7.63 crore)
- The average growth in assets for these re-contesting MLAs is Rs 4,03,18,284 (Rs 4.03 crore)
- Average percentage growth in assets for these re-contesting MLAs is 112%
- Brij Behari Lal Butail an INC MLA from Palampur has declared the highest increase in assets of Rs 77.29 crore, his assets have grown from Rs. 91.92 crore in 2007 to Rs 169.21 crore in 2012. Assets of Anil kumar (an INC MLA from Mandi) have increased by Rs 26.59 crore, from Rs 3.11 crore in 2007 to Rs 29.70 crore in 2012. Assets of G.S. Bali (of INC from Nagrota) have risen by Rs 21.03 crore, from Rs 3.81 crores in 2007 to Rs 24.85 crore in 2012. From BJP Rajiv Bindal re-elected MLA from Nahan constituency has shown assets increase of Rs 4.82 crore, from Rs 1.60 crore in 2007 to Rs 6.42 crore in 2012.
- Bumber Thakur an INC MLA from Bilaspur has declared the highest percentage increase in assets of 7463%, from Rs 1.35 lakh in 2007 to Rs 1.02 crore in 2012. Dr Rajiv Sanhjal a BJP MLA from Kasauli (SC) has shown a percentage increase in assets of 1936%, from Rs 1.53 lakh in 2007 to Rs 31.15 lakh in 2012. Rikhi Ram a BJP MLA from Jhanduta (SC) has shown his assets go up by 874%, from Rs 13.41 lakhs in 2007 to Rs 1.30 crores in 2012.
- 3 MLAs have reported a decrease in assets in 2012 as compared to their corresponding value of assets in 2007. They are Govind Ram (29% reduction in assets, from Rs 65.66 lakh in 2007 elections to Rs 46.60 lakh in 2012) of BJP from Arki, Asha Kumari (33% dip in assets, from Rs 2.42 Crore in 2007 to Rs 1.62 Crore in 2012) of INC from Dalhousie and Mansa Ram (48% asset decrease, from Rs 1.69 crore in 2007 elections to Rs 88.64 Lakhs in 2012).

Asset Comparison of newly elected MLAs **(who also contested in 2007)**

Average asset increase of newly elected MLAs (who also contested in 2007) : Party-Wise

The table below provides the party-wise categorization of average asset increase of newly elected MLAs. Financial details of 22 MLAs fielded by BJP have been taken from the recently filed affidavits by these MLAs and the values of these financial assets have been compared to the corresponding values of the assets that the candidates showed in their affidavits in 2007. The same procedure has been followed for other parties as well and it has been found that average increase in the assets of 22 BJP MLAs who have been newly elected from BJP is Rs 87.08 Lakhs. INC with 24 newly elected MLAs has shown Rs 6.97 crore as the average increase in the assets of these MLAs between 2007 and 2012. Following tables showcases the party wise assortment of the average increase in assets of the re-contesting MLAs:

S.No.	Party in Himachal Pradesh 2012	Total Number of Winners	Average Assets in Himachal Pradesh 2012	Average Assets in Himachal Pradesh 2007	Average Asset Increase	Average % Increase in Asset
1.	INC	24	13,50,17,250 13 Crore+	6,52,64,388 6 Crore+	6,97,52,862 6 Crore+	107%
2.	BJP	22	1,34,64,874 1 Crore+	47,56,744 47 Lacs+	87,08,130 87 Lacs+	183%
3.	IND	1	5,03,11,813 5 Crore+	2,10,00,000 2 Crore+	2,93,11,813 2 Crore+	140%
GRAND TOTAL		47	7,63,18,150 7 Crore+	3,59,99,865 3 Crore+	4,03,18,284 4 Crore+	112%

Table: Average asset increase of newly elected MLAs – party wise

Asset Comparison of Newly Elected MLAs (who contested in 2007 also)

Top 10 MLAs with highest asset increase in Rupees

The table below provides the increase in assets of re-contesting MLAs. Brij Behari Lal Butail an INC MLA from Palampur has declared the highest increase in assets of Rs 77.29 crore, his assets have grown from Rs. 91.92 crore in 2007 to Rs 169.21 crore in 2012. Assets of Anil kumar (a INC MLA from Mandi) have increased by Rs 26.59 crore, from Rs 3.11 crore in 2007 to Rs 29.70 crore in 2012. Assets of G.S. Bali (of INC from Nagrota) have risen by Rs 21.03 crore, from Rs 3.81 crores in 2007 to Rs 24.85 crore in 2012.

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1	Brij Behari Lal Butail	INC	INC	PALAMPUR	Palampur	1,69,21,88,970	91,92,30,868	77,29,58,102 77 crore+
2	Anil Kumar	INC	INC	MANDI	Mandi	29,70,94,970	3,11,29,008	26,59,65,962 26 crore+
3	G.S. Bali	INC	INC	NAGROTA	Nagrota	24,85,54,692	3,81,71,413	21,03,83,279 21 crore+
4	Virbhadra Singh	INC	INC	SHIMLA RURAL	Rohru (Before Bye - Election)	33,65,64,971	24,18,97,362	9,46,67,609 9 crore+
5	Vidya	INC	INC	THEOG	Kumarsain	8,05,11,841	97,67,801	7,07,44,040 7 crore+
6	Karan Singh	INC	BSP	BANJAR	Banjar	13,06,72,934	7,23,89,911	5,82,83,023 5 crore+
7	Rakesh Kalia	INC	INC	GAGRET	Chintpurni	7,99,10,832	2,75,64,933	5,23,45,899 5 crore+
8	Rajiv Bindal	BJP	BJP	NAHAN	Solan	6,42,99,027	1,60,15,760	4,82,83,267 4 crore+
9	Sohan Lal	INC	INC	SUNDERNAGAR	Sundernagar	7,15,83,505	4,01,83,000	3,14,00,505 3 crore+
10	Kimesh Jung	IND	INC	PAONTA SAHIB	Paonta Doon	5,03,11,813	2,10,00,000	2,93,11,813 2 crore+

Note: Total assets given above is the total provided by the MLAs in the affidavits. Where they have failed to provide the total we have calculated it from the details provided in the affidavit.

Table: Top 10 MLAs having high assets increase in Rs

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Top 5 MLAs with highest asset increase in Percentage

The table below provides the top 5 newly elected MLAs (who contested in 2007 also) with highest % increase in assets. Bumber Thakur an INC MLA from Bilaspur has declared the highest percentage increase in assets of 7463%, from Rs 1.35 lakh in 2007 to Rs 1.02 crore in 2012. Dr Rajiv Sanhjal a BJP MLA from Kasauli (SC) has shown a percentage increase in assets of 1936%, from Rs 1.53 lakh in 2007 to Rs 31.15 lakh in 2012. Rikhi Ram a BJP MLA from Jhanduta (SC) has shown his assets go up by 874%, from Rs 13.41 lakhs in 2007 to Rs 1.30 crores in 2012.

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1	Bumber Thakur	INC	IND	BILASPUR	Bilaspur	1,02,10,000	1,35,000	1 crore+	7463%
2	Dr. Rajiv Sahjal	BJP	BJP	KASAULI (SC)	Kasauli	31,15,707	1,53,000	29 La cs+	1936%
3	Rikhi Ram	BJP	BJP	JHANDUTA (SC)	Geharwin	1,30,69,299	13,41,232	1 crore+	874%
4	Anil Kumar	INC	INC	MANDI	Mandi	29,70,94,970	3,11,29,008	26 crore+	854%
5	Vidya	INC	INC	THEOG	Kumarsain	8,05,11,841	97,67,801	7 crore+	724%

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Table: Assets of top 5 newly elected MLAs in percentage

Comparison of Assets of 47 re-elected newly elected MLAs

(who also contested in 2007) in Himachal Pradesh 2012 Assembly Elections

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1	Bumber Thakur	INC	IND	BILASPUR	Bilaspur	1,02,10,000	1,35,000	1,00,75,000 1 crore+	7463%
2	Dr. Rajiv Sahjal	BJP	BJP	KASAU (SC)	Kasauli	31,15,707	1,53,000	29,62,707 29 La cs+	1936%
3	Rikhi Ram	BJP	BJP	JHANDUTA (SC)	Geharwin	1,30,69,299	13,41,232	1,17,28,067 1 crore+	874%
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5	Vidya	INC	INC	THEOG	Kumarsain	8,05,11,841	97,67,801	7,07,44,040 7 crore+	724%
6	Ajay Mahajan	INC	INC	NURPUR	Nurpur	2,96,20,829	40,91,775	2,55,29,054 2 crore+	624%
7	G.S. Bali	INC	INC	NAGROTA	Nagrota	24,85,54,692	3,81,71,413	21,03,83,279 21 crore+	551%
8	Sudhir Sharma	INC	INC	DHARAMSHALA	Bajna th	2,84,25,954	48,70,373	2,35,55,581 2 crore+	484%
9	Govind Singh	BJP	BJP	MANALI	Kulu	1,86,07,242	34,18,409	1,51,88,833 1 crore+	444%
10	Sarveen	BJP	BJP	SHAHPUR	Shahpur	2,16,97,350	41,26,835	1,75,70,515 1 crore+	426%
11	Ravinder Singh	BJP	BJP	DEHRA	Thural	1,00,51,000	19,95,778	80,55,222 80 lacs+	404%
12	Suresh Kumar	BJP	BJP	PACHHAD (SC)	Pachhad	45,55,948	9,46,000	36,09,948 36 La cs+	382%
13	Baldev Singh	BJP	BJP	SHILLAI	Shillai	56,13,072	12,60,000	43,53,072 43 La cs+	345%
14	Jai Ram Thakur	BJP	BJP	SERAJ	Chachiot	1,41,90,820	32,71,000	1,09,19,820 1 crore	334%
15	Nand Lal	INC	INC	RAMPUR (SC)	Rampur	94,54,454	22,56,373	71,98,081 71 La cs+	319%
16	Rajiv Bindal	BJP	BJP	NAHAN	Solan	6,42,99,027	1,60,15,760	4,82,83,267 4 crore+	301%
17	Virender Kanwar	BJP	BJP	KUTLEHAR	Kutlehar	76,87,681	20,15,000	56,72,681 56 La cs+	282%
18	Mukesh Agnihotri	INC	INC	HAROLI	Santokgarh	1,66,07,786	44,06,068	1,22,01,718 1 crore+	277%
19	Prakash	INC	INC	BALH (SC)	Balh	1,08,87,027	34,10,292	74,76,735 74 La cs+	219%
20	Rakesh Kalia	INC	INC	GAGRET	Chintpurni	79,91,08,32	2,75,64,933	5,23,45,899 5 crore+	190%
21	Inder Singh	BJP	BJP	SARKAGHAT	Gopalpur	69,88,519	24,57,400	45,31,119	184%

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								45 La c s +	
22	Gulab Singh	BJP	BJP	JOGINDERNAGAR	Joginder Nagar	13846128	4979984	88,66,144 88 lacs +	178%
23	Vijay Kumar	BJP	BJP	NADAUN	Nadaun	7074108	2553805	45,20,303 45 La c s +	177%
24	Ishwar Dass Dhiman	BJP	BJP	BHORANJ (SC)	Mewa	1,16,01,980	42,79,916	73,22,064 73 La c s +	171%
25	Bikram Singh	BJP	BJP	JASWAN-PRAGPUR	Jaswan	5019085	18,53,799	31,65,286 31 La c s +	171%
26	Neeraj Bharti	INC	INC	JAWALI	Guler	1,19,40,671	46,53,641	72,87,030 72 La c s +	157%
27	Kimesh Jung	IND	INC	PAONTA SAHIB	Paonta Doon	5,03,11,813	2,10,00,000	2,93,11,813 2 crore +	140%
28	Satpal Satti	BJP	BJP	UNA	Una	2,68,15,802	1,16,00,191	1,52,15,611 1 crore +	131%
29	Jagat Singh	INC	INC	KINNAUR (ST)	Kinnaur	1,87,55,000	81,45,367	1,06,09,633 1 crore +	130%
30	Prem Kumar Dhumal	BJP	BJP	HAMIRPUR	Bamsan	2,11,56,492	96,66,510	1,14,89,982 1 crore +	119%
31	Brij Behari Lal Butail	INC	INC	PALAMPUR	Palampur	1,69,21,88,970	91,92,30,868	77,29,58,102 77 crore +	84%
32	Karan Singh	INC	BSP	BANJAR	Banjar	13,06,72,934	7,23,89,911	5,82,83,023 5 crore +	81%
33	Sohan Lal	INC	INC	SUNDERNAGAR	Sundernagar	7,15,83,505	4,01,83,000	3,14,00,505 3 crore +	78%
34	Rajesh Dharamani	INC	INC	GHUMARWIN	Ghumarwin	80,16,802	49,21,346	30,95,456 30 La c s +	63%
35	Sanjay Rattan	INC	IND	JAWALAMUKHI	Jawalamukhi	49,53,106	33,12,397	16,40,709 16 La c +	50%
36	Jagjiwan Paul	INC	INC	SULLAH	Sulah	26,84,614	18,61,917	8,22,697 8 La c s +	44%
37	Suresh Bhardwaj	BJP	BJP	SHIMLA	Simla	55,54,665	38,79,097	16,75,568 16 La c s +	43%
38	Mahender Singh	BJP	BJP	DHARAMPUR	Dharapur	1,58,13,888	1,11,00,000	47,13,888 47 La c s +	42%
39	Kuldeep Singh	INC	INC	CHINTPURNI (SC)	Gagret	1,64,59,252	1,16,62,387	47,96,865 47 La c s +	41%
40	Virbhadra Singh	INC	INC	SHIMLA RURAL	Rohru (Before Bye - Election)	33,65,64,971	24,18,97,362	9,46,67,609 9 crore +	39%
41	Sujan Singh Pathania	INC	INC	FATEHPUR	Jawali (Bye-Election 07-11-2009)	6,28,44,666	4,55,62,199	1,72,82,467 1 crore +	38%
42	Bal Krishan Chauhan	BJP	BJP	CHAMBA	Chamba	1,41,00,322	1,04,63,448	36,36,874 36 La c s +	35%
43	Rohit Thakur	INC	INC	JUBBAL -KOTKHA	Jubbal-	4,73,83,843	4,55,30,327	18,53,516	4%

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44	Bi kram Singh	BJP	IND	BHATTIYAT	Bhattiya t	7,09,086	7,05,000	4,086 4 Thousand+	1%
45	Govind Ram	BJP	BJP	ARKI	Arki	46,60,010	65,66,200	-19,06,190 19 La cs+	-29%
46	Asha Kumari	INC	INC	DALHOUSIE	Ba nikhet	1,62,23,103	2,42,66,826	-80,43,723 80 La cs+	-33%
47	Mansa Ram	INC	BJP	KARSOG (SC)	Karsog	88,64,187	1,69,24,733	-80,60,546 80 lacs +	-48%

Table: Full list of re-elected MLAs in Himachal Pradesh Assembly Elections 2012

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