

Jharkhand Ten Years of Election Watch : Comprehensive Reports on Elections, Crime and Money

Summary and Highlights :

Following are the highlights that emerge from the analysis carried out by Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR) and National Election Watch (NEW):-

- **Total number of candidates analyzed:** A total of 1761 candidates who have contested either Parliamentary or State assembly elections since 2004 have been analyzed by ADR and NEW.
- **Total number of MPs/MLAs analyzed:** A total of 189 MPs/MLAs who have either held seats since 2004 either in Parliamentary or State assembly elections since 2004 have been analyzed by ADR and NEW.

Criminal:

- **Candidates with criminal cases:** A total of 525 out of these 1761 (30%) candidates have declared criminal cases against themselves.
- **Candidates with serious criminal cases:** 260(15%) out of the 1761 candidates analyzed have declared serious criminal cases against themselves.
- **MPs/MLAs with criminal cases:** Out of 189 MPs/MLAs analyzed since 2004, 104 or 56% have declared criminal cases against themselves and 48 or 25% have serious criminal charges. JMM has 42%, RJD has 36%, INC has 26% and BJP has 11% MPs/MLAs with serious criminal charges.

Financial:

- **Average assets of candidates who have contested elections:** The average assets of all candidates (1762) analyzed since 2004 is Rs. 46.22 Lakhs.
- **Average assets of MPs/MLAs:** The average assets of all MPs/MLAs (189) analyzed since 2004 is Rs. 1.74 crores.

Correlation between criminal cases and financial status:

Analysis of the data has revealed that money power and muscle power have a large bearing on the outcome of election result

Average assets of MP/MLAs with criminal cases: The average assets of 104 MPs/MLAs (analyzed since 2004) with criminal cases is Rs. 81.86 lakhs and for 48 MPs/MLAs with serious criminal charges has been Rs. 75.42 lakhs.

	No. of Candidates Analyzed	No. of MPs/MLAs Analyzed	No. of MPs/MLAs with criminal cases	No. of MPs/MLAs with Serious Charges
Total	1761	189	104	48
Average Assets	Rs. 46.25 Lakhs	Rs. 1.75 Crores	Rs. 81.86 Lakhs	Rs. 75.42 Lakhs

Table: Candidates and Average assets

Party wise analysis of all candidates analyzed since 2004:

Criminal:

Party wise MPs/MLAs who have declared criminal cases: 55% of MP/MLAs elected on INC tickets since 2004 have declared criminal cases against themselves (Out of 31 MPs/MLAs from INC, 17 have declared criminal cases). 40% of MPs/MLAs elected on BJP tickets since 2004 have declared criminal cases against themselves (Out of 57 MPs/MLAs from BJP, 23 have declared criminal cases). 76% of JMM MPs/MLAs have declared criminal cases (Out of 38 MPs/MLAs 29 have declared criminal cases).

Financial:

Party wise average assets of candidates: The average assets of candidates who have contested on INC tickets since 2004 is Rs. 1.99 Crores and is the highest among all the parties analyzed. BJP candidates have an average asset of 51.49 lakhs. JMM candidates had an average assets of 48.57 Lakhs while RJD candidates had an average assets of 41.38 lakhs.

Party wise average assets of MPs/MLAs: Since 2004, MPs/MLAs who have got elected on INC tickets have the highest average assets of Rs. 2.26 Crores followed by BJP MPs/MLAs with Rs. 64.77 Lakhs, JMM with average assets worth Rs. 55.56 lakhs and RJD with average assets worth Rs. 62.54 Lakhs. Independent MPs/MLAs have average assets of Rs. 8.87 crores.

The table below provides a party wise analysis of candidates with declared criminal cases:

Party	No. of Candidates Analyzed	No. of Candidates with Criminal Cases	% of Candidates with Criminal Cases	No. of Candidates with Serious Criminal Charges	% of Candidates with Serious Criminal Charges	No. of Winners Analyzed	MPs/MLAs with Criminal Cases	% MPs/MLAs with Criminal Cases	MPs/MLAs with Serious Criminal Charges	% MPs/MLAs with Serious Criminal Charges	Average Assets of Candidates (Rs.)	Average Assets of MPs/MLAs (Rs.)	Avg. Assets of MPs/MLAs with Criminal Cases (Rs.)	Avg. Assets of MPs/MLAs with Serious Criminal Charges (Rs.)
BJP	140	58	41.43	18	12.86	57	23	40.35	6	10.53	5149205	6477713	6583341	2110663
BSP	90	20	22.22	11	12.22	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	2386801	-	-	-
CPI	14	4	28.57	1	7.14	1	1	100.00	0	0.00	1521140	970342	970342	
CPM	12	3	25.00	1	8.33	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	1170263	-	-	-
INC	98	46	46.94	19	19.39	31	17	54.84	8	25.81	19921356	22612340	17275452	17010820
IND	641	109	17.00	56	8.74	10	3	30.00	0	0.00	2799507	88753744	8139166	-
JD(U)	30	15	50.00	6	20.00	7	3	42.86	0	0.00	5541518	3141044	5454311	-
JMM	114	71	62.28	35	30.70	38	29	76.32	16	42.11	4857954	5556711	5532393	3635799
JVM	14	7	50.00	2	14.29	1	1	100.00	0	0.00	21742528	2137675	2137675	-
JVM(P)	25	14	56.00	10	40.00	11	8	72.73	5	45.45	9155320	12222114	9268559	10463290
RJD	79	30	37.97	17	21.52	14	7	50.00	5	35.71	4138750	6254832	9344325	11831367
SP	24	12	50.00	7	29.17	0	0	0.00	0	0.00	2492518	-	-	-
Others	480	136	28.33	77	16.04	19	12	63.16	8	42.11	3722937	47453802	5196564	5455868
Grand total	1761	525	30	260	15	189	104	55	48	25	4625178	17553614	8186008	7542573

Table: Party wise analysis of candidates with declared criminal cases

Correlation between criminal cases declared by candidates and their chances of winning:

- **Total candidates with clean records:** Out of 1761 contesting candidates analyzed since 2004, 1236 candidates have not declared any criminal cases, whereas 525 candidates declared criminal cases against themselves.

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- **Total MPs/MLAs with clean records:** Out of the 189 MPs/MLAs analyzed since 2004, there have been 85 MPs/MLAs who have not declared any criminal cases, whereas 104 MPs/MLAs have declared criminal cases against themselves.
- **Chances of winning election with clean record:** There is only 7% chance of winning election with a clean record. (Chances of winning with clean record = No. of winners with clean record/No. of candidates with clean record)
- **Chances of winning election with criminal records:** There is a 20% chance of winning an election for a candidate with criminal records. Moreover, there is an 18% chance of winning an election for a candidate with a serious criminal record. We see that the chances of winning for a candidate with criminal records is much higher than that for a candidate with a clean record.

The table below provides party wise analysis of clean candidates with candidates who have declared criminal cases:

Party	No. of Candidates Analyzed	No. of Candidates with Criminal Cases	No. of Candidates with Serious Criminal Charges	No. of MPs/MLAs Analyzed	MPs/MLAs with Criminal Cases	MPs/MLAs with Serious Criminal Charges	Candidates with Clean Records	MPs/MLAs with Clean Records	% Chances of winning with clean record (No. of winners with clean record/no. of candidates with clean record)	% Chances of winning with criminal cases (No. of winners with criminal cases/No. of candidates with criminal cases)
BJP	140	58	18	57	23	6	82	34	41	40
BSP	90	20	11	0	0	0	70	0	0	0
CPI	14	4	1	1	1	0	10	0	0	25
CPM	12	3	1	0	0	0	9	0	0	0
INC	98	46	19	31	17	8	52	14	27	37
IND	641	109	56	10	3	0	532	7	1	3
JD(U)	30	15	6	7	3	0	15	4	27	20
JMM	114	71	35	38	29	16	43	9	21	41
JVM	14	7	2	1	1	0	7	0	0	14
JVM(P)	25	14	10	11	8	5	11	3	27	57
RJD	79	30	17	14	7	5	49	7	14	23

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SP	24	12	7	0	0	0	12	0	0	0
Others	480	136	77	19	12	8	344	7	2	9
Grand Total	1761	525	260	189	104	48	1236	85	7	20

Table: Party wise analysis of clean candidates with candidates who have declared criminal cases

Correlation between education and criminal cases:

- **Candidates who are graduates (or above) and have declared criminal cases:** 706 out of 1761 candidates who have contested elections since 2004 (or 40% of the candidates analyzed) have a graduate degree or above. 231 or 33% of the candidates with graduate or above degrees have declared criminal cases. 112 or 16% of the candidates with graduate or above degrees have declared serious criminal charges.
- **Candidates who are 12th pass (or below) and have criminal cases:** 1055 out of 1761 candidates who have contested elections since 2004 (or 60% of the candidates analyzed) are 12th Pass and below. 294 or 28% of the candidates who are 12th Pass and below have declared criminal cases. 148 or 14% have declared serious charges.
- **MPs/MLAs who are graduates (or above) and have declared criminal cases:** 53 or 51% out of the 104 criminal MPs/MLAs have a graduate degree or above and 25 or 24% have declared serious charges.
- **MPs/MLAs who are 12th pass (or below) and have criminal cases:** 85 out of the total 189 MPs/MLAs who have contested elections since 2004 are 12th Pass and below. 51 or 60% of the 85 MPs/MLAs who are 12th Pass and below have declared criminal cases and 23 or 27% have declared serious criminal charges.

Correlation between education and financial status:

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Average assets of candidates who are graduates and above: The average assets of candidates analyzed who have contested elections since 2004 with graduate or above degree is Rs. 67.87 Lakhs.

Average assets of candidates who are 12th Pass and below: The average assets of candidates analyzed who have contested elections since 2004, and are 12th Pass and below, are Rs. 31.78 Lakhs.

Educational qualification	No. of Candidates	No. of MPs/MLAs	No. of Candidates with Criminal Charges	% Candidates with Criminal Charges	No. of Candidates with Serious Criminal Charges	% Candidates with Serious Criminal Charges	No. of MPs/MLAs with Criminal charges	% MPs/MLAs with Criminal charges	No. of MPs/MLAs with Serious Criminal charges	% MPs/MLAs with Serious Criminal charges	Average Assets (Rs)
											of Candidates
Graduate	706	104	231	33	112	16	53	51	25	24	6787232
Non Graduate	1055	85	294	28	148	14	51	60	23	27	3178344
Grand Total	1761	189	525	30	260	15	104	55	48	25	4625178

Analysis of graduate and Non-Graduate candidates with declared criminal cases

Gender Analysis:

- **Women candidates:** Out of the 1761 candidates analyzed (who have contested elections since 2004), only 109 or 6% are women. Only 15 or 14% of the women candidates fielded have won whereas 174 or 11% of the men fielded have won.
- **Women candidates with criminal cases:** 21 or 19% of the 109 women candidates who have contested in elections since 2004 have declared criminal cases and 11 or 10% declared serious charges. 504 or 31% of the 1652 men candidates declared criminal cases and 249 or 15% declared serious criminal charges.
- **Women MLAs with criminal cases:** Only 1 of the 15 women MPs/MLAs (who have been elected in elections since 2004), have declared criminal case while 103 or 59% of the 174 MPs/MLAs, who are men, have declared criminal charges and 48 or 28% have declared serious criminal charges.
- **Average assets of Men/Women candidates:** The average assets of men candidates who have contested elections since 2004 is Rs. 47.86 Lakhs and the average asset of women candidates is Rs. 21.83 Lakhs.

Gender	No. of Candidates	No. of MPs/MLAs	No. of Candidates with Criminal Charges	% Candidates with Criminal Charges	No. of Candidates with Serious Criminal Charges	% Candidates with Serious Criminal Charges	No. of MPs/MLAs with Criminal charges	% MPs/MLAs with Criminal charges	No. of MPs/MLAs with Serious Criminal charges	% MPs/MLAs with Serious Criminal charges	Average Assets(Rs)
Male	1652	174	504	31	249	15	103	59	48	28	4786294
Female	109	15	21	19	11	10	1	7	0	0	2183321
Grand Total	1761	189	525	30	260	15	104	55	48	25	4625178

Table: Gender wise analysis of criminal records and assets

Party wise analysis of graduate and above candidates and women candidates

Party	No. of Candidates Analyzed	Candidates who are Graduate or Above	% Candidates who are Graduate and above	No. of MPs/MLAs Analyzed	MPs/MLAs who are graduate and above	% of MPs/MLAs who are graduate and above	Women Candidates	% Women Candidates	Women MPs/MLAs	% of Women won out of the Total Women Candidates	Men Candidates	Men MPs/MLAs	% of Men won out of the Total Men Candidates
BJP	140	96	69	57	42	74	10	7	4	40	130	53	41
BSP	90	28	31	0	0	0	7	8	0	0	83	0	0
CPI	14	6	43	1	0	0	1	7	0	0	13	1	8
CPM	12	6	50	0	0	0	1	8	0	0	11	0	0
INC	98	61	62	31	18	58	4	4	3	75	94	28	30
IND	641	207	32	10	8	80	26	4	0	0	615	10	2
JD(U)	30	10	33	7	2	29	1	3	1	100	29	6	21
JMM	114	44	39	38	13	34	6	5	2	33	108	36	33
JVM	14	11	79	1	1	100	0	0	0	0	14	1	7
JVM(P)	25	16	64	11	6	55	0	0	0	0	25	11	44
RJD	79	35	44	14	5	36	7	9	2	29	72	12	17

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Party	No. of Candidates Analyzed	Candidates who are Graduate or Above	% Candidates who are Graduate and above	No. of MPs/MLAs Analyzed	MPs/MLAs who are graduate and above	% of MPs/MLAs who are graduate and above	Women Candidates	% Women Candidates	Women MPs/MLAs	% of Women won out of the Total Women Candidates	Men Candidates	Men MPs/MLAs	% of Men won out of the Total Men Candidates
SP	24	4	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	0
Others	480	182	38	19	9	47	46	10	3	7	434	16	4
Grand Total	1761	706	40	189	104	55	109	6	15	14	1652	174	11

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