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Analysis of Newly Elected MLAs of 2016 Assembly Elections in Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Assam, West Bengal and Puducherry

- National Election Watch (NEW) groups in the five states of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Assam, West Bengal and Puducherry have analyzed the affidavits of 812 MLAs elected in the 2016 Assembly elections. Election Commission of India (ECI) has postponed elections in 2 constituencies in Tamil Nadu (174- Thanjavur and 134-Aravakurichi Assembly Constituencies). Affidavits for 9 MLAs in Tamil Nadu were badly scanned and hence not analyzed at this time.

Name	Party	Constituency	District
THANGATAMILSELVAN	AIADMK	ANDIPATTI	THENI
ARUN KUMAR, P.R.G.	AIADMK	COIMBATORE (NORTH)	COIMBATORE
MARUTHAMUTHU.A	AIADMK	GANGAVALLI	SALEM
S.PANDI	INC	MUDHUKULATHUR	RAMANATHAPURAM
NATARAJAN.A	AIADMK	PALLADAM	TIRUPPUR
PERIYAKARUPPAN KR	DMK	TIRUPPATTUR	SIVAGANGAI
N.MANORANJITHAM	AIADMK	UTHANGARAI	KRISHNAGIRI
NILOFER	AIADMK	VANIYAMBADI	VELLORE
UMA MAHESWARI K	AIADMK	VILATHIKULAM	THOOTHUKUDI

1 MLA in West Bengal was not analyzed due to illegible affidavit

Name	Party	Constituency	District
SUDARSAN GHOSH DOSTIDAR	AITC	MAHISADAL	PURBO MEDINIPUR

- 36% MLAs (294 out of 812 analyzed) have self-declared pending criminal cases as per their affidavits in Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Assam, West Bengal and Puducherry 2016 Assembly Elections.
- 176 MLAs out of these 812 analyzed have declared serious IPC charges like murder and attempt to murder charges against them.
- Kerala has the maximum percentage (62%) of MLAs with declared criminal cases against them.
- West Bengal has the maximum percentage (32%) of MLAs with declared serious criminal cases against them.
- A total of 428 MLAs (i.e. 53% of the total analyzed) are crorepatis.

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- Puducherry has the maximum percentage (83%) of MLAs who are crorepatis, followed by Tamil Nadu with 76% of MLAs who are crorepatis.
- A total of 186 MLAs (23%) have declared that they have never filed Income Tax Returns (ITR).
- Kerala has the maximum percentage (60%) of MLAs who have not filed income tax, followed by West Bengal with 20% of MLAs who not filed income tax.
- 49 MLAs have not even given their PAN details.
- Puducherry has the highest average assets (Rs 13.45 crores) of MLAs followed by Tamil Nadu with average assets of Rs 8.21 crores and Kerala with average assets of Rs 2.82 crores.
- Out of 812 newly elected MLAs, there only 9% women MLAs. Among the five states, West Bengal has 40 out of 293 (14%) women MLAs, followed by Puducherry with 4 of 30 (13%).
- There are 19 MLAs with PhD. The maximum number of MLAs (10) with PhD are from West Bengal followed by Tamil Nadu with 5 MLAs who have a PhD.
- Apart from PhD, there are 480 or 59% MLAs with Graduate or above Degrees.
- 11% of the elected MLAs are 40 and below years of age
- 5 MLAs are above 80 years of age
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Delhi, May 20th, 2016: Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR) and National Election Watch (NEW), a nationwide campaign comprising of more than 1200 NGOs and other citizen led organizations, has been working on electoral reforms, improving democracy and governance in India. National Election Watch (NEW) groups in the five states of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Assam, West Bengal and Puducherry have analyzed the affidavits of 812 MLAs elected in 2016 elections. This report is based on the analysis of their affidavits.

The following pages give party- wise and MLA-wise analysis of criminal, financial, PAN availability, IT, gender and other background information of the newly elected MLAs.

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Representation of Political Parties

The following table gives an overview of representation of Political Parties:

	2016	2011	% Increase
Assam			
Total no. of candidates	1064	981	8%
Total no. of parties	41	24	71%
Kerala			
Total no. of candidates	1203	971	24%
Total no. of parties	39	30	30%
Puducherry			
Total no. of candidates	344	187	84%
Total no. of parties	20	17	18%
Tamil Nadu			
Total no. of candidates	3776	2748	37%
Total no. of parties	64	49	31%
West Bengal			
Total no. of candidates	1961	1792	9%
Total no. of parties	54	55	-2%

Table: Representation of Political Parties

Analysis Based on Declared Criminal Cases

Declared Criminal Cases against MLAs

- There are 294 MLAs out of the 812 analyzed, (i.e. about 36%) who have declared criminal cases against them as per their self sworn affidavits given to the Election Commission.
- Out of the 294 MLAs analyzed who have declared criminal cases, 176 have declared **serious** criminal cases like murder, attempt to murder, kidnapping, robbery, extortion etc. on them.

Declared criminal cases: State- wise

Given below is the state- wise list of MLAs who have declared criminal cases, who have been given tickets by political parties in their respective 5 assemblies:

State	Total No. of MLAs Analyzed	MLAs with Criminal Cases	% of MLAs with declared criminal cases	MLAs with declared serious criminal cases	% of MLAs with declared serious criminal cases
Assam	126	14	11%	10	8%
Kerala	140	87	62%	27	19%

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State	Total No. of MLAs Analyzed	MLAs with Criminal Cases	% of MLAs with declared criminal cases	MLAs with declared serious criminal cases	% of MLAs with declared serious criminal cases
Puducherry	30	11	37%	4	13%
Tamil Nadu	223	75	34%	42	19%
West Bengal	293	107	37%	93	32%
Total	812	294	36%	176	22%

Table: State-wise MLAs with declared criminal cases

Analysis Based on Assets

A total of 428 MLAs out of 812 analyzed i.e. 53% of the total number of MLAs (analyzed) elected in the 5 states are crorepatis. 83% of MLAs analyzed of Puducherry are crorepatis followed by 76% of MLAs of Tamil Nadu and 57% of MLAs of Assam.

State	Total MLAs Analyzed	Crorepatis	% of Crorepati MLAs
Assam	126	72	57%
Kerala	140	61	44%
Puducherry	30	25	83%
Tamil Nadu	223	170	76%
West Bengal	293	100	34%
Total	812	428	53%

Table: State-wise crorepati MLAs

High Asset Analysis of MLAs

The following are the top 3 MLAs of each state with maximum assets:

S. No.	Name	Constituency	Party	Movable Assets (Rs)	Immovable Assets (Rs)	Total Assets (Rs)
Assam						
1	Naren Sonowal	NAHARKATIA	Asom Gana Parishad	2,32,67,176	31,61,93,447	33,94,60,623 33 Crore+
2	Narayan Deka	BARKHETRY	BJP	3,43,52,302	13,79,65,000*	17,23,17,302 17 Crore+
3	Abdur Rahim Ajmal	JAMUNAMUKH	BAIUFD	4,27,76,293	8,83,23,093	13,10,99,386 13 Crore+
Kerala						
1	Thomas Chandy	KUTTANAD	NCP	83,80,68,033	8,56,92,000	92,37,60,033 92 Crore+
2	V K C Mammed Koya	BEYPORE	CPI(M)	21,09,48,790	9,31,96,471	30,41,45,261 30 Crore+

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S. No.	Name	Constituency	Party	Movable Assets (Rs)	Immovable Assets (Rs)	Total Assets (Rs)
3	K.B. Ganesh Kumar	PATHANAPURAM	Kerala Congress (B)	3,08,63,032	19,12,70,000	22,21,33,032 22 Crore+
Puducherry						
1	Ashok Anand	THATTANCHAVADY	All India N.R. Congress	13,66,28,838	1,11,17,32,763	1,24,83,61,601 124 Crore+
2	A. Johnkumar	NELLITHOPE	INC	9,71,55,098	28,13,54,228	37,85,09,326 37 Crore+
3	V.P. Sivakolundhu	LAWSPET	INC	9,38,63,664	20,47,33,308	29,85,96,972 29 Crore+
Tamil Nadu						
1	Vasanthakumar. H	NANGUNERI	INC	1,56,81,55,917	1,80,45,30,790	3,37,26,86,707 337 Crore+
2	Mohan M.K.	ANNA NAGAR	DMK	2,92,43,716	1,68,04,87,300	1,70,97,31,016 170 Crore+
3	Jayalalithaa J	DR.RADHAKRISHNAN NAGAR	AIADMK	41,63,55,396	72,09,83,190	1,13,73,38,586 113 Crore+
West Bengal						
1	Samir Chakraborty	TALDANGRA	AITC	28,91,17,000	11,68,06,000	40,59,23,000 40 Crore+
2	Jakir Hossain	JANGIPUR	AITC	17,27,25,923	4,68,64,253	21,95,90,176 21 Crore+
3	Javed Ahmed Khan	KASBA	AITC	14,02,03,869	3,27,78,000	17,29,81,869 17 Crore+

Table: Top 3 crorepati MLAs from each assembly

Analysis of Income Tax and PAN details of MLAs in five Assembly Elections

- A total of 186 MLAs (23%) out of 812 MLAs analyzed have declared that they have never filed Income Tax Returns.
- 49 MLAs have not even given PAN details.

State-wise MLAs who have not filed Income Tax Returns (ITR)

Out of 812 MLAs analyzed, 186 MLAs (23%) have declared that they not filed Income Tax Returns. They include 60% of MLAs from Kerala followed by 20% from West Bengal and 14% MLAs from Tamil Nadu.

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S. No.	State	Total no. of MLAs analyzed	No. of MLAs not filed income tax	% of MLAs not filed income tax
1	Assam	126	9	7%
2	Kerala	140	84	60%
3	Puducherry	30	3	10%
4	Tamil Nadu	223	32	14%
5	West Bengal	293	58	20%
	Total	812	186	23%

Table: State-wise MLAs having PAN but not filed Income Tax Return

State-wise details of MLAs who have not declared their PAN

S. No.	State	Total no. of MLAs	No. of MLAs who have not declared their PAN	% of MLAs who have not declared their PAN
1	Assam	126	1	1%
2	Kerala	140	34	24%
3	Puducherry	30	0	0%
4	Tamil Nadu	223	6	3%
5	West Bengal	293	8	3%
	Total	812	49	6%

Table: State-wise no. of MLAs not declare their PAN

Analysis based on Gender

State-wise analysis based on gender

Out of 812 MLAs analyzed for Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Assam, West Bengal and Puducherry 2016 Assembly Elections, the number of women MLAs is only 77 (9% of the total number of MLAs analyzed).

S. No.	State	Total No. of MLAs Analyzed	MLAs (women)	% of MLAs (women)
1	Assam	126	8	6%
2	Kerala	140	8	6%
3	Puducherry	30	4	13%

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S. No.	State	Total No. of MLAs Analyzed	MLAs (women)	% of MLAs (women)
4	Tamil Nadu	223	17	8%
5	West Bengal	293	40	14%
Total		812	77	9%

Table: State-wise analysis based on gender

Analysis based on Age

- 11% of the elected MLAs are 40 and below years of age
- 5 MLAs are above 80 years of age

Election Name	Total number of MLAs analyzed	25 to 30 years	31 to 40 years	41 to 50 years	51 to 60 years	61 to 70 years	71 to 80 years	81 to 110 years
Assam 2016	126	1	15	49	45	14	2	0
Kerala 2016	140	1	15	29	43	39	10	3
Puducherry 2016	30	1	2	12	10	5	0	0
Tamil Nadu 2016	223	1	22	59	87	52	1	1
West Bengal 2016	293	1	33	63	93	77	25	1
Total	812	5	87	212	278	187	38	5

Table: State-wise analysis based on age

Analysis based on Education

- There are 19 MLAs with PhD. The maximum number of MLAs (10) with PhD are from West Bengal followed by Tamil Nadu with 5 MLAs who have a PhD.
- Apart from PhD, there are 480 or 59% MLAs with Graduate or above Degrees.

Election Name	Total number of MLAs analyzed	Illiterate	Literate	5th Pass	8th Pass	10th Pass	12th Pass	Graduate	Graduate Professional	Post Graduate	Doctorate	Others	Not Given
Assam 2016	126	0	0	1	2	21	18	42	11	28	1	2	0
Kerala 2016	140	0	2	4	11	21	19	24	32	24	2	1	0
Puducherry 2016	30	1	0	2	3	7	3	6	3	3	1	1	0
Tamil Nadu 2016	223	0	1	10	17	34	29	40	32	50	5	4	1
West Bengal 2016	293	0	1	0	13	36	45	84	39	62	10	3	0
Total	812	1	4	17	46	119	114	196	117	167	19	11	1

Table: State-wise analysis based on education

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