

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

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PRESS NOTE

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66.91% voter turnout overall; Highest since 1st Bihar elections in 1951

Bihar records highest female voter turnout in its history

1. **Bihar Legislative Assembly elections concluded with a historic highest ever voter turnout of 66.91% This is the highest voter turnout recorded in the State since 1951.** Turnout among male voters is **62.8%** and amongst female voters it is **71.6%**. Details in Annexures 1 & 2.

2. **Poll Participation (%) in Bihar Assembly Election – 2025⁺**

	Female		Male		Total	
	Electors	%	Electors	%	Electors	%
Phase -I*	1,76,77,219	69.04%	1,98,35,325	61.56%	3,75,13,302	65.08%
Phase – II**	1,74,68,572	74.03%	1,95,44,041	64.1%	3,70,13,556	68.76%
Total	3,51,45,791	71.6%	3,93,79,366	62.8%	7,45,26,858	66.91%

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3. CEC Shri Gyanesh Kumar along with ECs Dr. Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Dr. Vivek Joshi monitored the conduct of the elections from the Control Centre in ECI through Webcasting facility provided across all **45,399 Polling Stations in Phase-II as well.**
4. Over the two phased elections in Bihar, **more than 8.5 Lakh Polling related Staff, over 1.4 lakh Polling Agents** appointed by **2,616 contesting candidates, 243 General Observers, 38 Police Observers and 67 Expenditure Observers** were part of the election machinery conducting and observing the elections.
5. For the first time, 16 delegates from 6 countries namely, South Africa, Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Belgium and Colombia visited and witnessed the poll proceedings as part of the International Election Visitors' Programme (IEVP) this year. The delegates commended the Bihar elections for being internationally, one of the most well-organised, transparent, efficient and participative elections.

PHASE-WISE DETAILS, BIHAR ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS, 2025

	PHASE-I	PHASE-II	TOTAL
POLL PARTICIPATION	65.08%	68.76%	66.91%
NUMBER OF RE-POLLS	0	Scrutiny on 12.11.2025	-
ELECTORATE	3,75,13,302	3,70,13,556	7,45,26,858
DISTRICTS	18	20	38
ACs	121	122	243
POLLING STATIONS	45,341	45,399	90,740
POLLING STAFF	~4.25 lakhs	~4.25 lakhs	~8.50 lakhs
JEEVIKA DIDIS/VOLUNTEERS	~90,000	~90,000	~1.80 lakhs
POLLING AGENTS	67,902	72,372	1,40,274
CANDIDATES	1,314	1,302	2,616

6. Poll day details for the bye-elections in 8 ACs is at Annexure-3


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* Phase-I data updated in ECINet after including remaining 1570 PrOs. Refer footnote of Press Note No. ECI/PN/349/2025.

** As per the data uploaded by the PrOs themselves in ECINet. Phase-II data from 2,027 Polling Stations yet to be updated.

Bihar: Poll Participation (%) in General Elections to Lok Sabha (1951 - 2024)

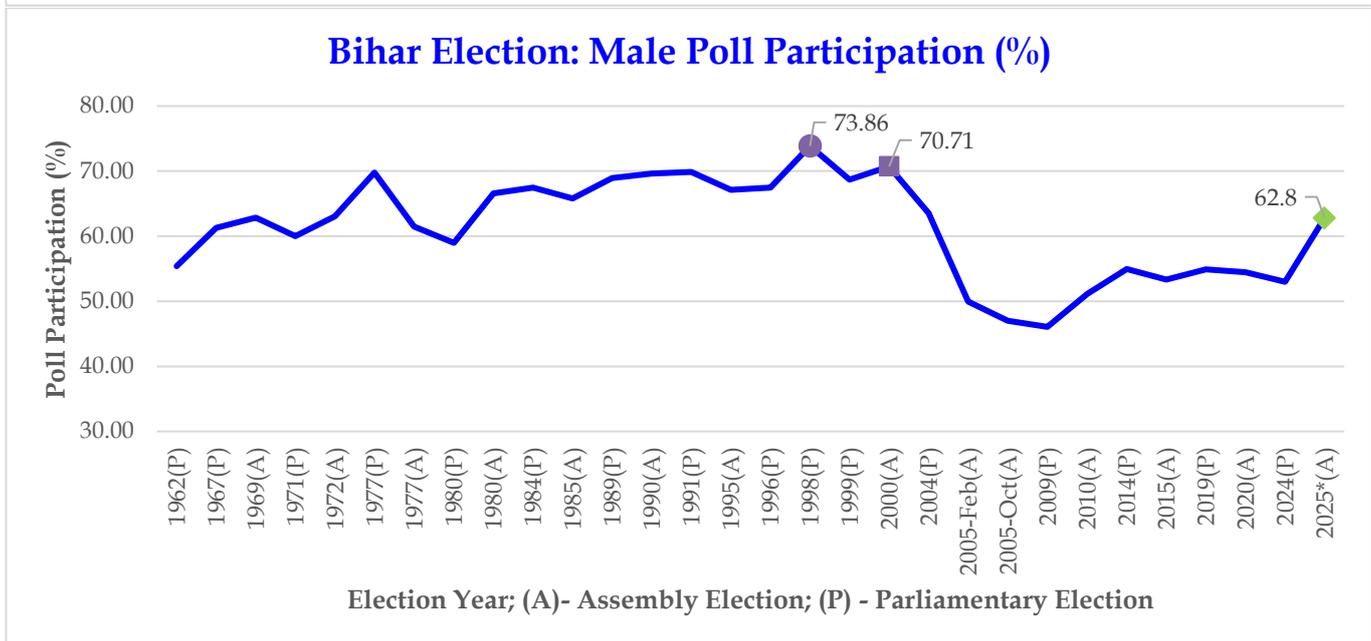
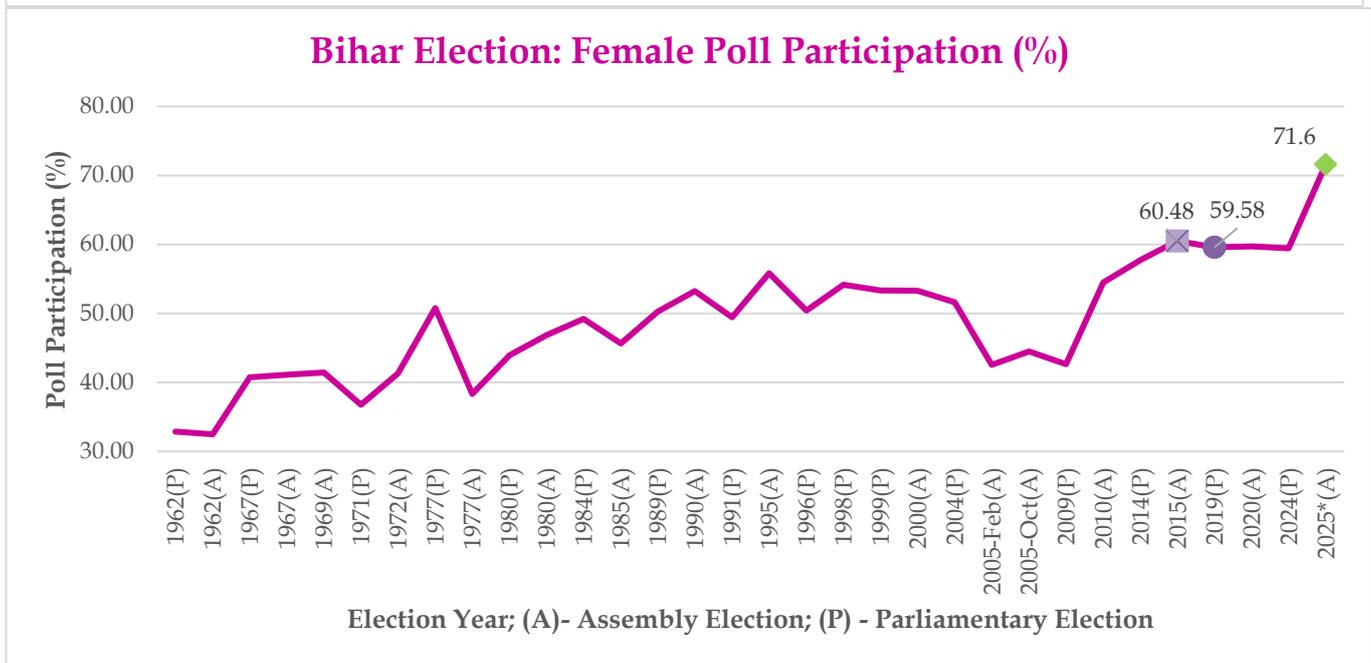
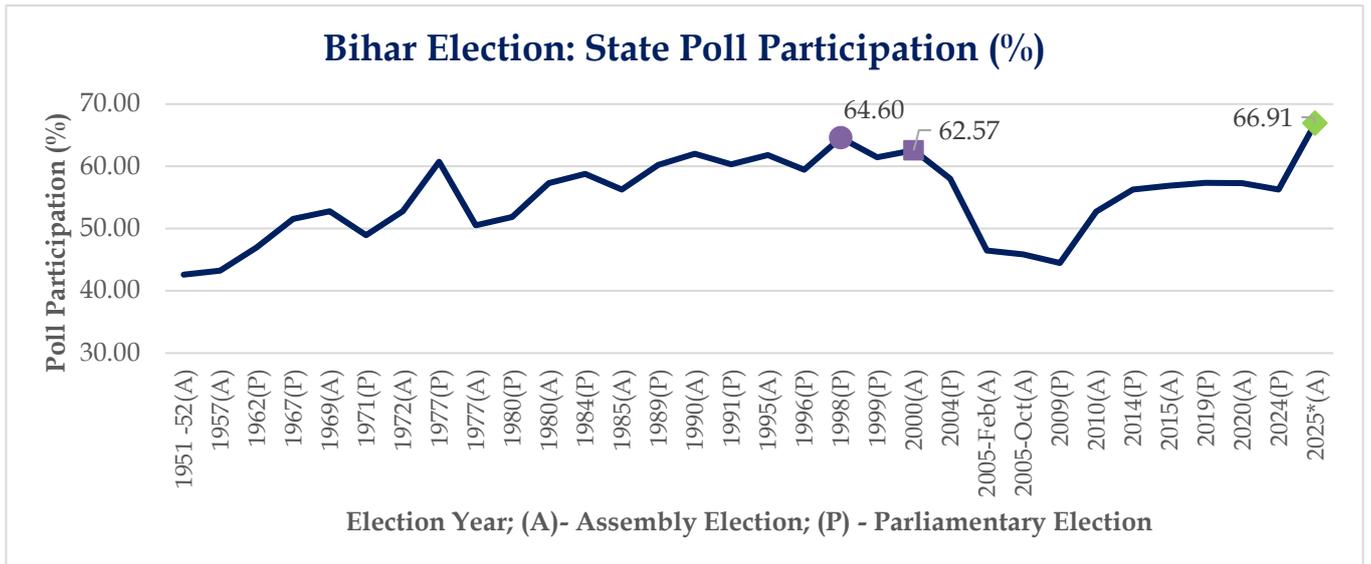
Year of Lok Sabha Election	Poll Participation (%)		
	Female	Male	Total
1951 -52	NA	NA	40.35
1957	NA	NA	40.65
1962	32.86	55.39	46.97
1967	40.74	61.28	51.53
1971	36.77	60.00	48.96
1977	50.76	69.79	60.76
1980	43.91	58.95	51.87
1984	49.19	67.49	58.80
1989	50.25	68.94	60.24
1991	49.44	69.87	60.35
1996	50.40	67.46	59.45
1998	54.16	73.86	64.60
1999	53.33	68.71	61.48
2004	51.62	63.56	58.02
2009	42.62	46.06	44.47
2014	57.70	54.95	56.26
2019	59.58	54.90	57.33
2024	59.45	53.00	56.28

Poll Participation (%) in General Elections to Assembly of Bihar (1951 - 2020)

Year of Assembly Election	Poll Participation (%)		
	Female	Male	Total
1951 -52	NA	NA	42.60
1957	NA	NA	43.24
1962	32.47	54.94	44.47
1967	41.09	60.82	51.51
1969	41.43	62.86	52.79
1972	41.3	63.06	52.79
1977	38.32	61.49	50.51
1980	46.86	66.57	57.28
1985	45.63	65.81	56.27
1990	53.25	69.63	62.04
1995	55.80	67.13	61.79
2000	53.28	70.71	62.57
2005-Feb	42.52	49.95	46.50
2005-Oct	44.49	47.02	45.85
2010	54.49	51.12	52.73
2015	60.48	53.32	56.91
2020	59.69	54.45	57.29
2025*	71.6%	62.8%	66.91%

Note: Prior to 1962, ECI voter data were not compiled gender-wise.

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ANNEXURE-3**Poll participation (%) for bye-elections in 8 ACs***

Sl. No.	State/UT	AC	Male		Female		Total	
			Electors	%	Electors	%	Electors	%
1.	Jammu & Kashmir	Budgam-27	63,803	54.91%	62,222	45.00%	1,26,025	50.02%
2.		Nagrota-77	50,551	75.18%	47,429	74.98%	97,980	75.08%
3.	Jharkhand	Ghatsila-45	1,25,114	73.70%	1,31,235	75.52%	2,56,352	74.63%
4.	Mizoram	Dampa-2	10,657	81.54%	10,231	83.18%	20,888	82.34%
5.	Odisha	Nuapada-71	1,24,544	81.17%	1,29,932	76.96%	2,54,497	79.02%
6.	Punjab	Tarn-Taran-21	1,00,933	60.80%	91,897	61.12%	1,92,838	60.95%
7.	Rajasthan	Anta-193	1,16,783	82.42%	1,11,477	78.13%	2,28,264	80.32%
8.	Telangana	Jubilee Hills-61	2,08,561	47.59%	1,92,779	48.95%	4,01,365	48.24%

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