

Festival of Democracy: General Elections 2024:

India: Odisha: Mohan Majhi is the new Chief Minister

June 11, 2024

June 11, 2024: Bhubaneswar, State of Odisha: At a meeting of all the **Members of Legislative Assembly** (MLAs) of Odisha, elected on the BJP tickets, **Mohan Charan Majhi** was elected as the Leader of the Party in the Legislative Assembly of Odisha. **Raghubar Das**, Governor of Odisha, is likely to invite him to be the **Chief Minister** of the State. In Odisha, this will be the BJP's 1st Government, in which BJP is not a junior partner in a coalition with a larger party.

J.P. Nadda, the President of BJP, had nominated **Rajnath Singh**, 73, (an ex-President of BJP and at present the Defense Minister of India) and his Cabinet colleague **Bhupender Yadav**, 54, (an ex- national general secretary of BJP and at present the Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change) as the Central Observers for conduct of the election.



June 11, 2024: Bhubaneswar, State of Odisha: the new Chief Minister

Mohan Majhi, flanked by Rajnath Singh and Bhupendra Yadav

Rajnath Singh announced through an X,” Delighted to announce that Shri **Mohan Charan Majhi** has been elected unanimously as the leader of **Odisha BJP Legislature Party**. ..Also, it has been decided that two **Deputy Chief Ministers** will be designated to head the new State Government. Shri **KV Singh Deo** and **Smt. Pravati Parida** will serve the state as Deputy Chief Minister. Congratulations to them!”

---- A BACKGROUNDER on the new CM and Deputy CMs of **Odisha** ----
ABOUT MOHAN MAJHI, the new CM: **Mohan Charan Majhi**, the new Chief Minister, is a four-time MLA **from Keonjhar**, Mohan Charan Majhi is the new Chief Minister of Odisha. Hailing from the tribal community, the 53-year-old has strong links to the **Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS)**.

In the 2024 Odisha Assembly elections, **Majhi** defeated the **Biju Janata Dal's (BJD's) Mina Majhi** by a margin of 11,577 votes.

Mohan Charan Majhi was first elected to the Odisha Legislative Assembly from the Keonjhar constituency in 2000. He won the seat again in 2004. He was the Chief Whip of the Coalition Government of BJP and BJD from 2005 to 2009.

Majhi faced defeat in two consecutive Assembly polls, first in 2009 against a BJD candidate - *Subarna Naik*, and then in 2014 against BJD candidate *Abhiram Naik*.

Mohan Majhi's political career began as a **Sarpanch** ("*an elected Head of a village*") in 1997. Now, as the new Chief Minister of Odisha, Mohan Charan Majhi is set to lead the state.

ABOUT K.V. SINGH DEO, the new DEPUTY CM: **Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo**, a member of the erstwhile **royal family of the princely state of Patnagarh in Bolangir**, Odisha, is to serve as the **Deputy Chief Minister** of Odisha. At the 2024 elections, he has won from the Patnagarh Assembly Constituency, on a BJP ticket. Earlier, he had won from the same constituency five consecutive times before being defeated by BJD's *Saroj Kumar Meher* in 2019. He had also served as the **Cabinet Minister of Industry and Public Enterprise from 2000 to 2009** in the **Naveen Patnaik-led** Coalition Government of BJD and BJP.

Singh Deo was also the ex-State President of the Odisha unit of BJP.

K.V. Singh Deo is also a **member of the National Executive** of BJP. **Singh Deo** completed his **Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)** from Delhi University. His wife, **Sangeeta Kumari Singh Deo** served as a **Member of the Indian Parliament (MP)** in the 12th, 13th, and 14th Lok Sabhas. She contested elections on the BJP ticket from the Bolangir constituency in Odisha and secured victory in 1998, 1999, and 2004. However, in subsequent elections, she faced defeat to her husband's first cousin,

Kalikesh Singh Deo, who is a prominent member of BJD. **Sangeeta Kumari Singh Deo** won the election in 2019 for BJP and is an MP in the 17th Lok Sabha.

On June 11, 2024, **K.V. Singh Deo** was elected as the Deputy Chief Minister of Odisha, along with **Pravati Parida**, following the 2024 Odisha Legislative Assembly election.

Singh Deo (b. June 14, 1956) completed his Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) from Delhi University. His wife, **Sangeeta Kumari Singh Deo**, has also been active in politics, serving as a **Lok Sabha** member (*“Member of the Indian Parliament”*).



Kanak Vardhan Singh Deo receiving the certificate from the Returning Officer after winning from the Patnagarh assembly constituency. (X /@KVSinghDeo1)

ABOUT PRAVATI PARIDA, the new DEPUTY CM: **Pravati Parida** (b. 1967) won the 2024 Odisha Legislative Assembly election from the **Nimapara Assembly Constituency in Puri District** by defeating *Dilip Kumar Nayak* of BJD by 4,588 votes. Parida completed **her LLB at Utkal University** and later pursued an **M.A. in Public Administration** from the same institution.

She has enrolled as an Advocate at the Odisha High Court.

Pravati Parida has worked as the Chief of the **Women’s Wing** of **BJP’s Odisha** unit.



---- The Vibrant Democracy of India ----

A Democracy runs well when the Parties **compete hard** with one another to **put forward their ideology and programs**, and, when the leaders of the parties **respect one another as patriots and as good human beings, who are working to create a better world for all**. Please see the following photograph of three candidates from 3 different parties from an important constituency of Thiruvanthpuram in Kerala State, India:



Thiruvananthapuram candidates:

Shashi Tharoor (INC), Rajeev Chandrasekhar (BJP) and Pannyan Raveendran (CPI)

The electorate of **Thiruvananthapuram**, through a fair process, re-elected **Shashi Tharoor** (INC), albeit with a reduced majority. The Union minister **Rajeev Chandrasekhar** (BJP) lost the election and was dropped from the new Cabinet, which was sworn in on June 9, 2024. The **Communist Party of India** (CPI) candidate lost the election again.

Voter turnout remained robust, reflecting citizens' commitment to democracy.

---- DATA of the RESULT of NDA Parties at the General Election 2024 ----

Party name	Abbreviation	Party leader	Lok seats	Sabha
All Jharkhand Students Union	AJSUP	Sudesh Mahto	1	
Apna Dal (Soneylal)	AD(S)	Anupriya Patel	1	
Asom Gana Parishad	AGP	Atul Bora	1	
Bharatiya Janata Party	BJP	Jagat Prakash Nadda	240	
Hill State People's Democratic Party	HSPDP	K P Pangniang	0	
Hindustani Awam Morcha	HAM	Jitan Ram Manjhi	1	
Jana Sena Party	JSP	Pawan Kalyan	2	
Janata Dal (Secular)	JD(S)	H D Deve Gowda	2	
Janata Dal (United)	JD(U)	Nitish Kumar	12	
Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas)	LJPRV	Chirag Paswan	5	
Nationalist Congress Party	NCP	Ajit Pawar	1	
Rashtriya Lok Dal	RLD	Chowdhry Jayant Singh	2	
Shiv Sena	SHS	Eknath Shinde	7	
Sikkim Krantikari Morcha	SKM	Prem Singh Tamang	1	
Telugu Desam Party	TDP	N. Chandrababu Naidu	16	
United People's Party Liberal	UPPL	Pramod Boro	1	

Note 1.: Please read "Festival of Democracy: India: Elections: Gandhi Family sends Panic Signals" dated May 3, 2024 at <https://diginews360.com/india-elections-gandhi-family-sends-panic-signals/> . www.DiGiNews360.com brings to its Readers, who are from all the 5 continents, a complete and unique perspective, not available in any other news-media.

Note 2.: Please read "India Votes: 5th Phase May 20, 2024: Festival of Democracy: General Elections 2024" dated May 17, 2024 at <https://diginews360.com/india-votes-5th-phase-may-20-2024/> . www.DiGiNews360.com brings to you a readable and complete picture of the **most competitive and vibrant democracy of the world**. Please read "India Votes: 6th Phase May 25, 2024: Festival of Democracy: General Elections 2024" dated May 22, 2024 at <https://diginews360.com/india-votes-6th-phase-may-25-2024/> . The largest democracy of the world, with 969 Mn registered voters, is **the most vibrant democracy, which continues to become more competitive and more useful for its citizens**, as brought out by www.DiGiNews360.com.

Note 3.: Please see "*A Festival of Democracy: India: General Election 2024: Geo-Political Considerations & Interference*" dated May 5, 2024 at <https://diginews360.com/india-geo-political-considerations-elections-2024/> for
Title #1: "Voices from Pakistan: The Most Vexing Test for India-Pakistan Relations"
Title #2: China's Attempt to influence Elections through Leftist Media; "NewsClick: Arrests, Allegations, and Press Freedom"

Note 4.: Please see "A Festival of Democracy: Geo-Political Considerations: India: General Election 2024: Interference by Canada" dated May 5, 2024 at <https://diginews360.com/india-general-election-2024-interference-by-canada/> for
Title #3: Canada: Foreign Interference in the Election to the Federal Parliament – **the initial Report** by the *Honourable Marie-Josée Hogue*, the Judge of the Quebec Court of Appeal: Judge **Marie-Josée Hogue** refused to mention India, when there is no evidence whatsoever against India, in spite of the efforts by the *Khalistani Leader in Canada*.

Title #4: Canada: Killing of a terrorist, living in Canada and responsible for terrorism in India: On May 3, 2024, **the worst that Canadian Government**, in spite of the efforts by the *Khalistani Leader of Canada*, could say was as follows:

REGARDING INDIA: Assistant Commissioner **David Teboul**, the RCMP Commander for the Pacific region, said he wouldn't comment on the alleged links between these men and Indian officials.

When the Canadian Government's Title #3 and Title #4 proved to be a damp squib, Prime Minister **Justin Trudeau** himself chose **to smile** at the **public shouting of the slogan of Khalistan Jindabad** in **Toronto** on the soil of Canada wants to emphasize that it is a miniscule minority from the Sikhs of Canada that supports Jagmeet Singh. He has captured the Leadership of the New Democratic Party by using a *well-organized, and, funded campaign*.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS: www.DigiNews360.com notes that the slogans were shouted through a microphone, put near the stage, so that the eloquent silence of the Sikhs and Punjabis in the audience could be hidden. www.DigiNews360.com calls on Prime Minister **Justin Trudeau** to clearly separate his stance from that of Jagmeet Singh and to come forward as the Statesman, who re-established close relations with the fellow Commonwealth country of India, which is the most vibrant and the largest democracy of the world.

Title #5: **Interference by Khalistanis**: PART 1.: *Amritpal's entry to the Lok Sabha polls causes a big flutter in Punjab* at <https://diginews360.com/india-general-election-2024-interference-by-khalistanis-amritpals-entry/>

with a Brief BACKGROUNDER on Shiromani Akal Dal (Amritsar) on pages 2-3

Notes: 1. Please read about the great **success stories of India and Senegal**, two vibrant democracies at <https://diginews360.com/senegal-and-india-great-democracies-of-the-world/> dated April 2, 2024.

2. Please refer to "Canada: China Interferes in Elections; Relations with India" dated April 7, 2024 at <https://diginews360.com/canada-china-interferes-in-elections-relations-with-india/>.
3. Please read "Canada: China Interferes; Celebration of Indian Democracy" dated April 11, 2024 at <https://diginews360.com/canada-china-interferes-celebration-of-indian-democracy/>.