

# Lok Sabha to get leader of the opposition after 10 years

The post of LoP was not recognised till 1969, Ram Subhag Singh was first LoP.

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**NEW DELHI:** With the INDIA bloc parties' numbers increasing in the 18th Lok Sabha, the lower house is set to get a leader of the opposition (LoP) after ten years, and opposition leaders also hope that a deputy speaker will be elected soon, a post that had been vacant for the last five years.

The 17th Lok Sabha, which was dissolved on June 5, did not have a deputy speaker for its full term, and it was the second consecutive term of the lower house without an LoP.

All eyes are set at the lower house which will get an LoP, and is also expected to have a deputy speaker, a post which usually goes to the opposition ranks.

While the INDIA bloc has not yet held any coordination meeting on its strategy for the Parliament, an opposition leader said they will mount pressure that the deputy speaker's post is not left vacant this time.

"The BJP government has been rejected by people, they did not elect any deputy speaker in last five years... Hope they have learnt a lesson



A view of Lok Sabha.

and will elect a deputy speaker this time," a TMC leader said.

The 17th Lok Sabha, in which the BJP was in an absolute majority with 303 seats, elected Om Birla as the Speaker. In a first, no deputy speaker was elected through its term of five years.

As per Article 93 of the Constitution, the Lok Sabha shall, as soon as may be, choose two members to be speaker and deputy speaker so often as the offices become vacant. However, it does not provide a specific time frame.

"The office of the dep-

## Oppn hopes deputy speaker gets elected

The 18th Lok Sabha will also have an LoP for the first time in ten years. In the previous two Lok Sabhas, the largest opposition party Congress could not get the post as it did not have the requisite numbers, which is one-tenth of the strength of the House.

In the 16th Lok Sabha, the Congress had 44 MPs, while in the 17th Lok Sabha it had 55. "Legislative functioning depends

### HIGHLIGHT

Office of the Dy Speaker is a constitutional requirement.

not only on the written rules of procedure but also on precedent and convention. The position of the leader of opposition is a critical one in our legislatures," Roy told PTI.

uty speaker is a constitutional requirement. However, a troubling trend is that legislatures, both national and state, have not filled the office of the deputy speaker. For example, between 2019 and 2024, there was no deputy speaker in the Parliament.

The last Rajasthan Assembly also did not have a deputy speaker for its full five-year term," Chakshu Roy, who heads the legislative and civic engagement initiatives at PRS Legislative Research, told PTI.

"Currently, the Jharkhand legislature, whose term is scheduled to end later this year, does not have a deputy speaker," he said.

"Other than the constitutional requirement, the office of the deputy speaker by convention in the past on multiple occasions has gone to opposition parties. This convention not only strengthens democratic norms but also ensures continuity of the office of speaker, which can never remain vacant," he said.

In the 16th Lok Sabha, M Thambidurai of the AIADMK was elected as Deputy Speaker, 70 days after the election results.

## Pandian, Naveen Patnaik's aide, quits politics

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**BHUBANESWAR:** Exactly six months and 13 days after joining politics, former bureaucrat V K Pandian on Sunday announced his withdrawal from active politics following the BJD's drubbing in both the assembly and Lok Sabha polls, but said he would keep Odisha in the core of his heart and 'Guru Naveen Babu' in his breath.

In a video message, Pandian said his only intention to join politics was to assist Naveen Patnaik, which is why he did not contest in the 2024 elections.

He also apologised to the people and BJD leaders and workers if they held him responsible for the electoral loss.

"My intent in joining politics was only to assist Naveen Babu, and now I consciously decide to withdraw from active politics. I am sorry if I have hurt anyone on this journey. I am sorry if this campaign narrative against me played a part in BJD's loss," Pandian said.

During the campaign, Pandian had asserted that he would quit politics if party president Patnaik

did not become the chief minister of Odisha for the sixth consecutive time after the assembly elections.

"You (BJP) say there is a BJP wave and a wave for change in Odisha, but I strongly say if the chief minister (Patnaik) does not become CM again, I will take 'sanyas' from politics," Pandian had declared at a rally in Brajrajnagar, Jharsuguda district. The BJP stormed to power in Odisha, end-

### FASTFACTS

Biggest earning has been goodwill of Odisha.

Patnaik clarified that Pandian was not his successor

ing the 24-year rule of the BJD, by winning 78 seats in the 147-member assembly. The Patnaik-led party, on the other hand, bagged 51 seats, while the Congress won 14 constituencies, the CPI (M) one. The BJD failed to win any of the Lok Sabha seats in the state, with the BJP bagging 20 and the Congress one.

Defending his close aide, BJD president Naveen Patnaik on Saturday termed the ongoing criticisms against Pandian as "unfortunate" and praised him for doing an "excellent job."

### NEWSLINE

#### BANGALURU

Will honestly fulfill expectations



Senior BJP leader and Former Karnataka Minister V Somanna on Sunday said he will honestly work towards fulfilling the expectations of the party leadership on him as the minister in the Narendra Modi cabinet, which will be sworn in this evening. He said he has no expectations regarding the portfolio and will serve in the department assigned to him by the prime minister with an aim to ensure that the government's benefits reach the people. "Our party gave me an opportunity from Tumkur, I won from there, I have fulfilled the various responsibilities given to me by the party. Considering all this our state and central leadership have given me this opportunity. I thank them and the people of Tumkur, and workers and leaders of both BJP and JD(S)," Somanna said. While speaking to reporters in New Delhi after meeting with PM Modi, he said, he will work honestly.

## Situation 'tense' but 'under control' in Jiribam

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were set on fire in Lamtai Khunou, Dibong Khunou, Nunkhal and Begra villages.

**IMPHAL:** The situation in Manipur's Jiribam district remained "tense" but "under control" on Sunday, after suspected militants torched two police outposts and at least 70 houses in a fresh bout of violence in the state, police said. Additional security forces have been deployed in the affected areas following the incident on Saturday, they said. "The situation is tense but under control in the wake of violent disturbances that broke out in Jiribam district in which miscreants torched two police pickets, a forest beat office... and several

houses belonging to both Meitei and Kuki communities," the Manipur Police said in a statement. More than 70 houses were set on fire in Lamtai Khunou, Dibong Khunou, Nunkhal and Begra villages, a senior police officer said.

"Police is also actively monitoring social media updates, which may incite communal feelings amongst the communities and requests general public to refrain from spreading unfounded/unverified information," it said. Violence broke out in Jiribam in the ethnic strife-torn state on Thursday evening, after suspected militants killed a 59-year-old man. The person, identified as Soibam Saratkumar Singh, went missing after he had gone to his farm on June 6 and later, his body was found with wounds made by a sharp object, an official had said.

## Canada intel chief David made secret visits to India

| NIJJAR CASE |

Central Chronicle News

Vigneault's visits to India came weeks before Canada arrested three Indian nationals.

**NEW DELHI:** Canada's intelligence agency chief David Vigneault paid two under-the-wraps visits to India in February and March to apprise Indian officials of the case relating to the killing of Khalistani extremist Hardeep Singh Nijjar, people familiar with the matter said. Vigneault, the director of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS), is learnt to have shared information that emerged during Ottawa's investigation into the killing. The ties between India and Canada came under severe



Vigneault is closely following killing of Nijjar.

strain following Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's allegations in September last year of the "potential" involvement of Indian agents in the killing of Nijjar.

New Delhi rejected Trudeau's charges as "absurd". Vigneault's visits to India came weeks before Canada arrested three Indian nation-

als -- Karanpreet Singh (28), Kamalpreet Singh

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Nijjar, was shot dead outside a gurdwara in British Columbia in Surrey.

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(22) and Karan Brar (22) -- on charges of alleged involvement in Nijjar's killing. Subsequently, a fourth Indian, Amandeep Singh, was arrested by the Canadian authorities.

| EXPECTATION |

## 'NDA government taking oath'

Central Chronicle News

**NEW DELHI:** It is an NDA government that is taking oath this time and not a "Modi government", RJD leader Manoj Jha said on Sunday and expressed hope that the ruling dispensation will work on issues such as providing employment.

Jha also said the Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) will not attend the swearing-in ceremony and the INDIA coalition will be represented by Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge, the Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha. Naren-



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RJD leader

of the weaker sections are improved and the government is free of crony capitalism.

The biggest requirement of youngsters today is employment, so employment is a big issue, he should work on it," the RJD leader added.

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