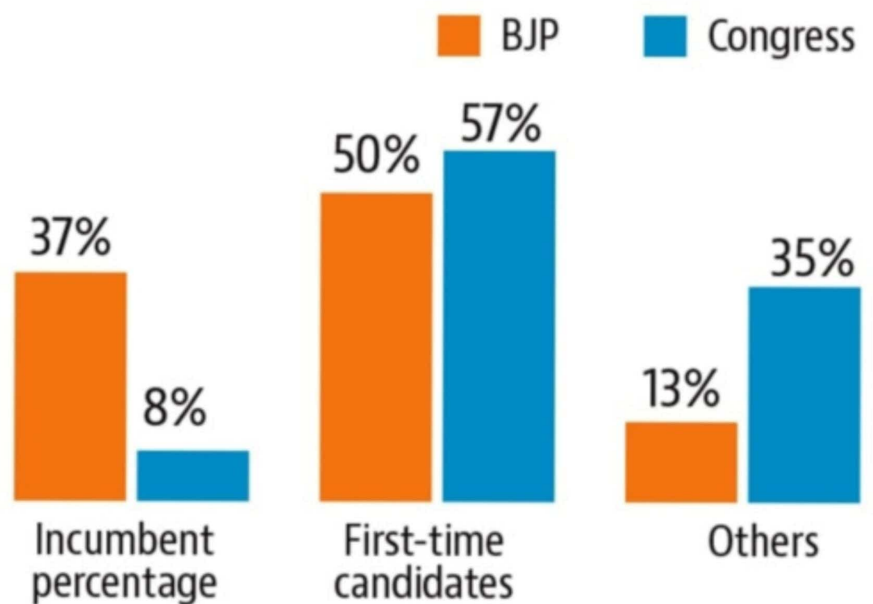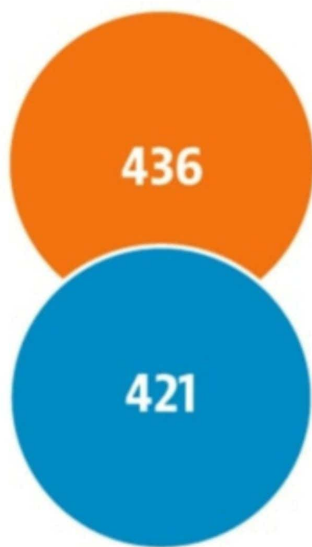# Political Juggernauts: A Quantitative Analysis of Candidates in the 2019 Lok Sabha Elections

Breakup of candidates contesting 2019 Lok Sabha polls

NO. OF CANDIDATES

BJP   Congress

436

421

Incumbent percentage: 37% / 8%

First-time candidates: 50% / 57%

Others: 13% / 35%

Political Parties Involved in Mob Violence Events During the Indian General Elections (10 March - 25 May 2019)

Mob violence

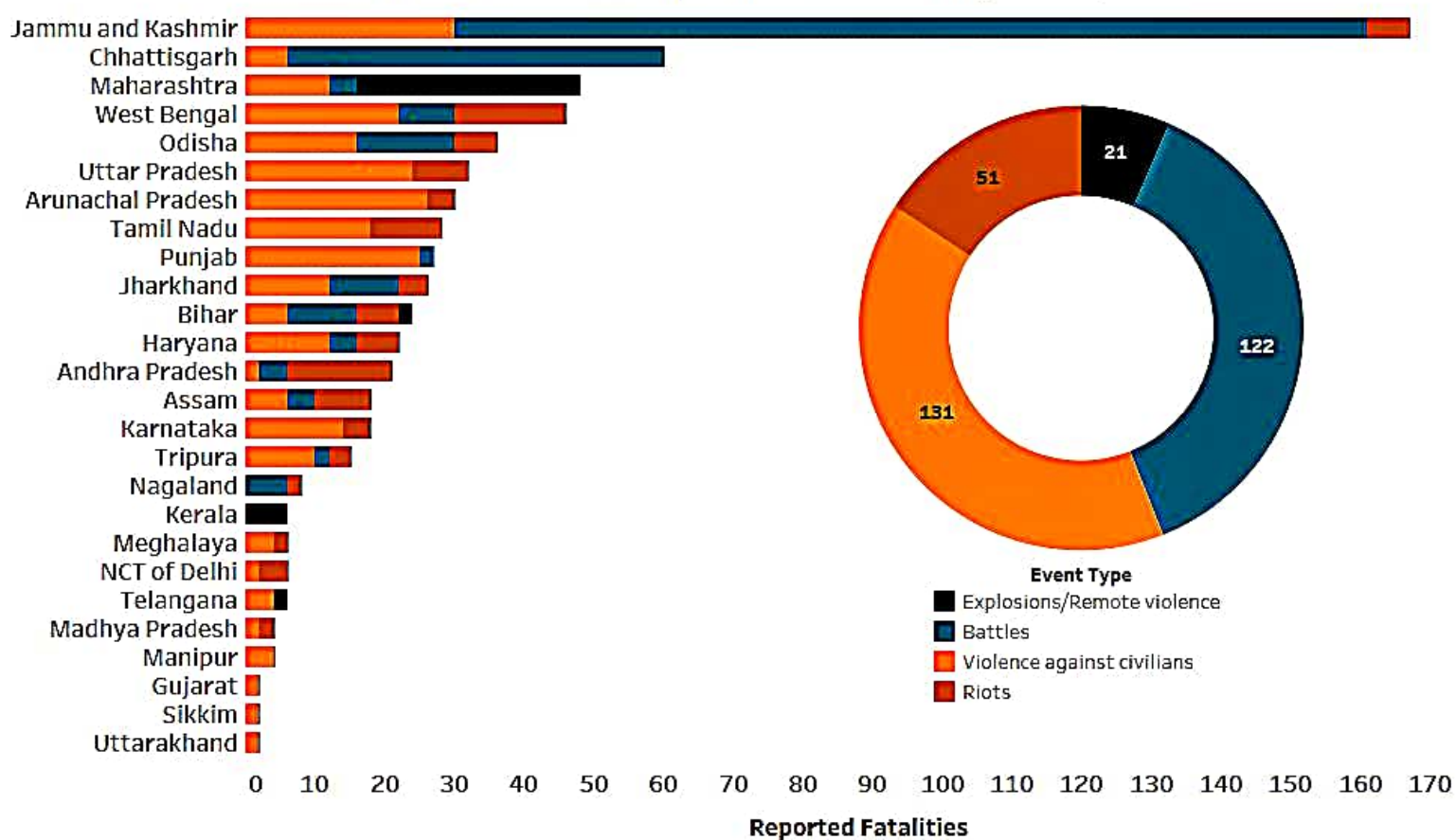|						
32% BJP	5%	12% INC	3%	8% TDP	17% TMC	9% YSRCP

Actor

- AAP: Aam Aadmi Party
- AIADMK: All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam
- AIUDF: All India United Democratic Front
- AMMK: Amma Makkal Munnetra Kazhagam
- BJD: Biju Janata Dal
- BJP: Bharatiya Janata Party
- BPF: Bodoland People's Front
- BSP: Bahujan Samaj Party
- CPI(M): Communist Party of India (Marxist)
- CPI: Communist Party of India
- DMK: Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam
- GJM: Gorkha Janmukti Morcha
- GNLF: Gorkha National Liberation Front
- INC: Indian National Congress
- INLD: Indian National Lok Dal
- IPFT: Indigenous Peoples Front of Tripura
- IUML: Indian Union Muslim League
- JD(S): Janata Dal (Secular)
- JD(U): Janata Dal (United)
- JKNC: Jammu and Kashmir National Conference
- JKPC: Jammu and Kashmir People's Conference
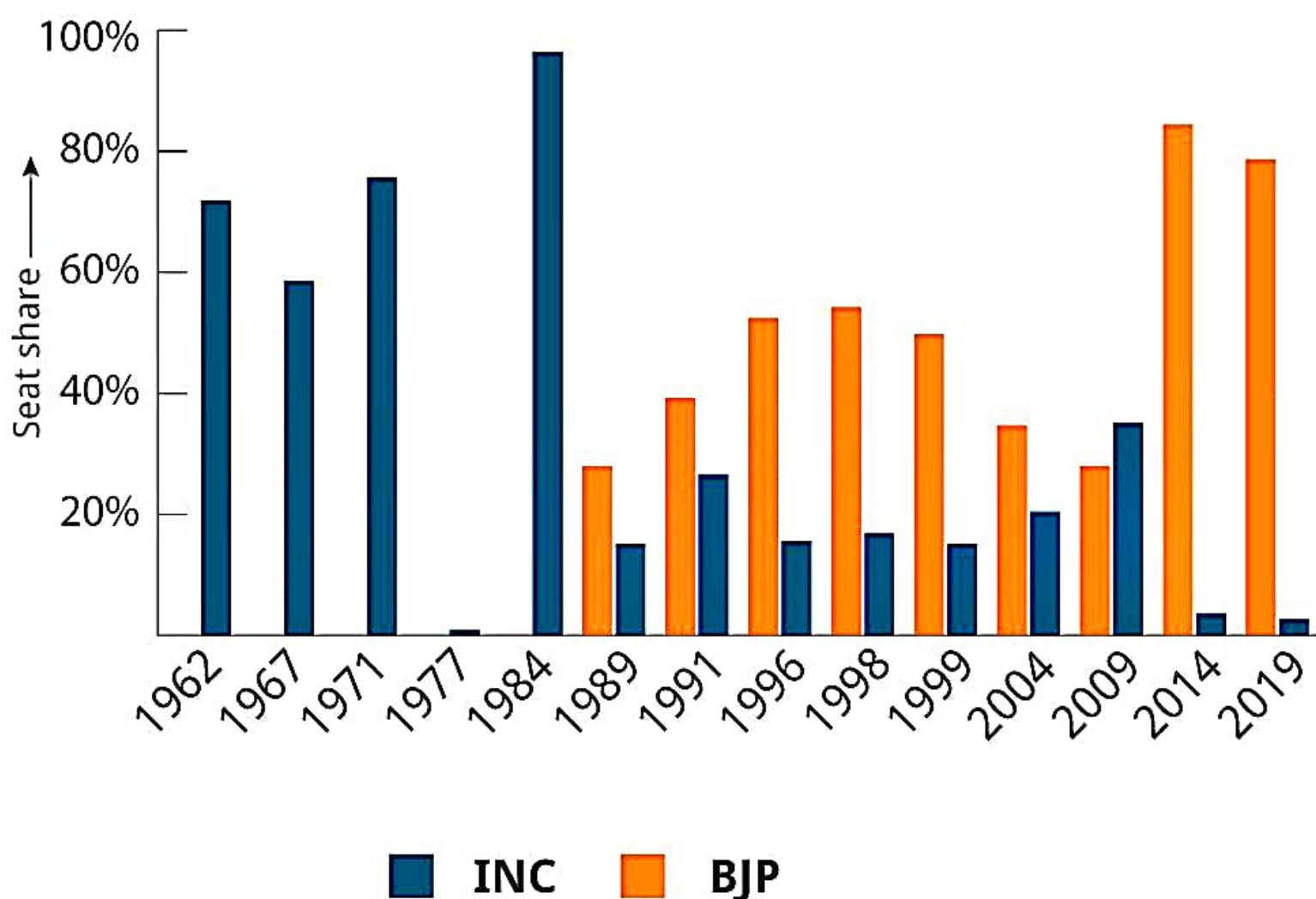- JKPDP: Jammu and Kashmir Peoples Democratic Party
- JMM: Jharkhand Mukti Morcha
- JSD(L): Jansatta Dal (Loktantrik)
- JSP: Jana Sena Party
- LIP: Lok Insaaf Party
- MNM: Makkal Needhi Maiam
- PDA: Punjab Democratic Alliance
- PMK: Pattali Makkal Katchi
- RJD: Rashtriya Janata Dal
- RLD: Rashtriya Lok Dal
- RSS: Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh
- SAD: Shiromani Akali Dal
- SDPI: Social Democratic Party of India
- SKM: Sikkim Krantikari Morcha
- SP: Samajwadi Party
- TDP: Telugu Desam Party
- TMC: Trinamool Congress Party
- TRS: Telangana Rashtra Samithi
- TVK: Tamizhaga Vazhvurimai Katchi
- VCK: Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi
- VHP: Vishwa Hindu Parishad
- YSRCP: Yuvajana, Sramika, Rythu Congress Party

Number of Reported Fatalities by State and Event Type During the Indian General Elections (10 March - 25 May 2019)
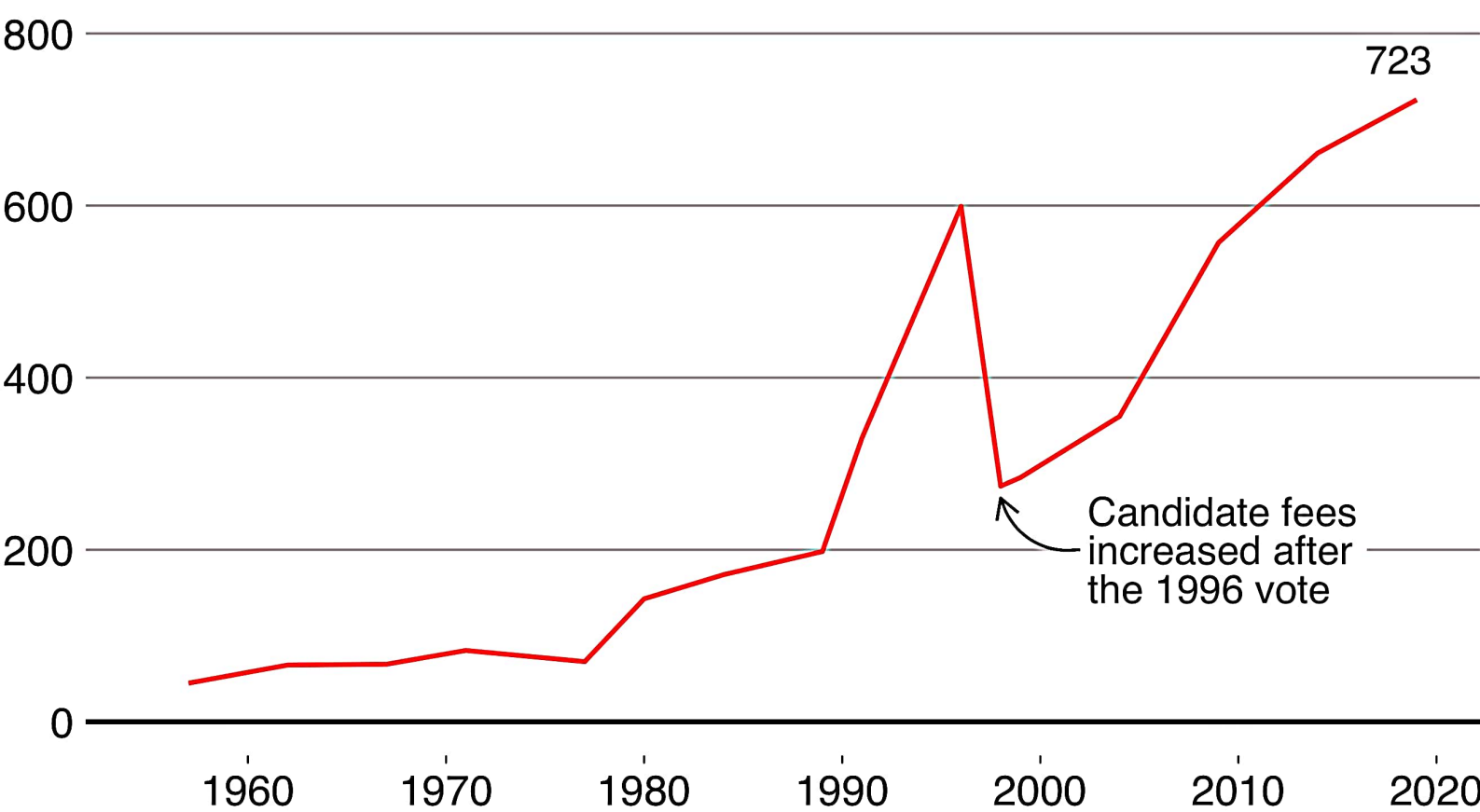

Legend — Event Type:
- Explosions/Remote violence
- Battles
- Violence against civilians
- Riots

Donut chart values: 21 (Explosions/Remote violence), 122 (Battles), 131 (Violence against civilians), 51 (Riots)

Bar chart states (top to bottom): Jammu and Kashmir, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Jharkhand, Bihar, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Karnataka, Tripura, Nagaland, Kerala, Meghalaya, NCT of Delhi, Telangana, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Gujarat, Sikkim, Uttarakhand

X-axis: Reported Fatalities (0 to 170)

INC and BJP seat shares in the Hindi Belt in general elections, 1962-2019

Source: Trivedi Centre for Political Data

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2019 had the most women candidates

Female participation has been increasing since independence

723

Candidate fees
increased after
the 1996 vote

800

600

400

200

0

1960   1970   1980   1990   2000   2010   2020

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Voter turnout in four metropolitan cities

■ 2009 ■ 2014 ■ 2019

(IN %)
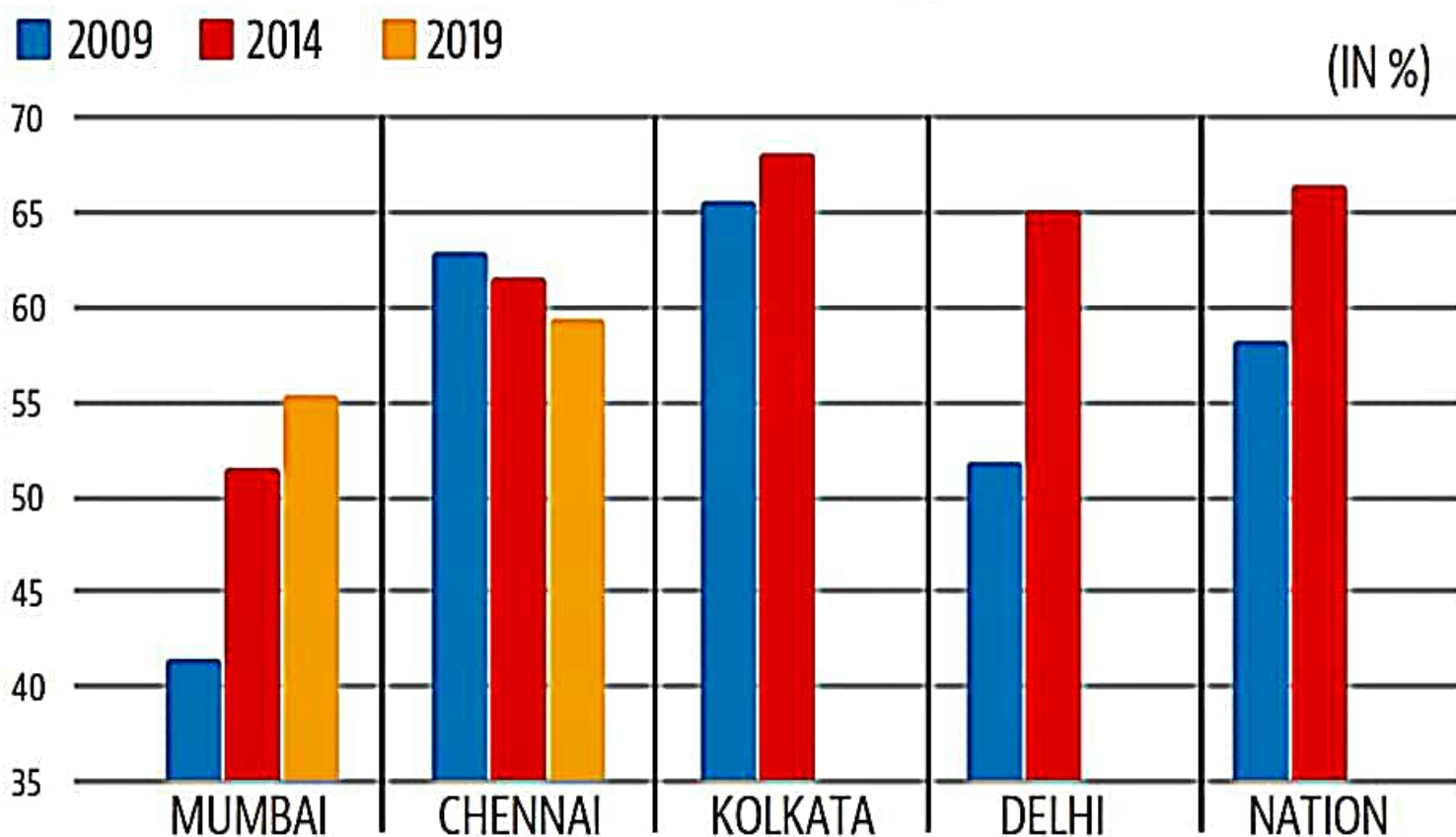
Delhi and all-India voter turnout in general elections over time

● Turnout (India) ● Turnout (Delhi)
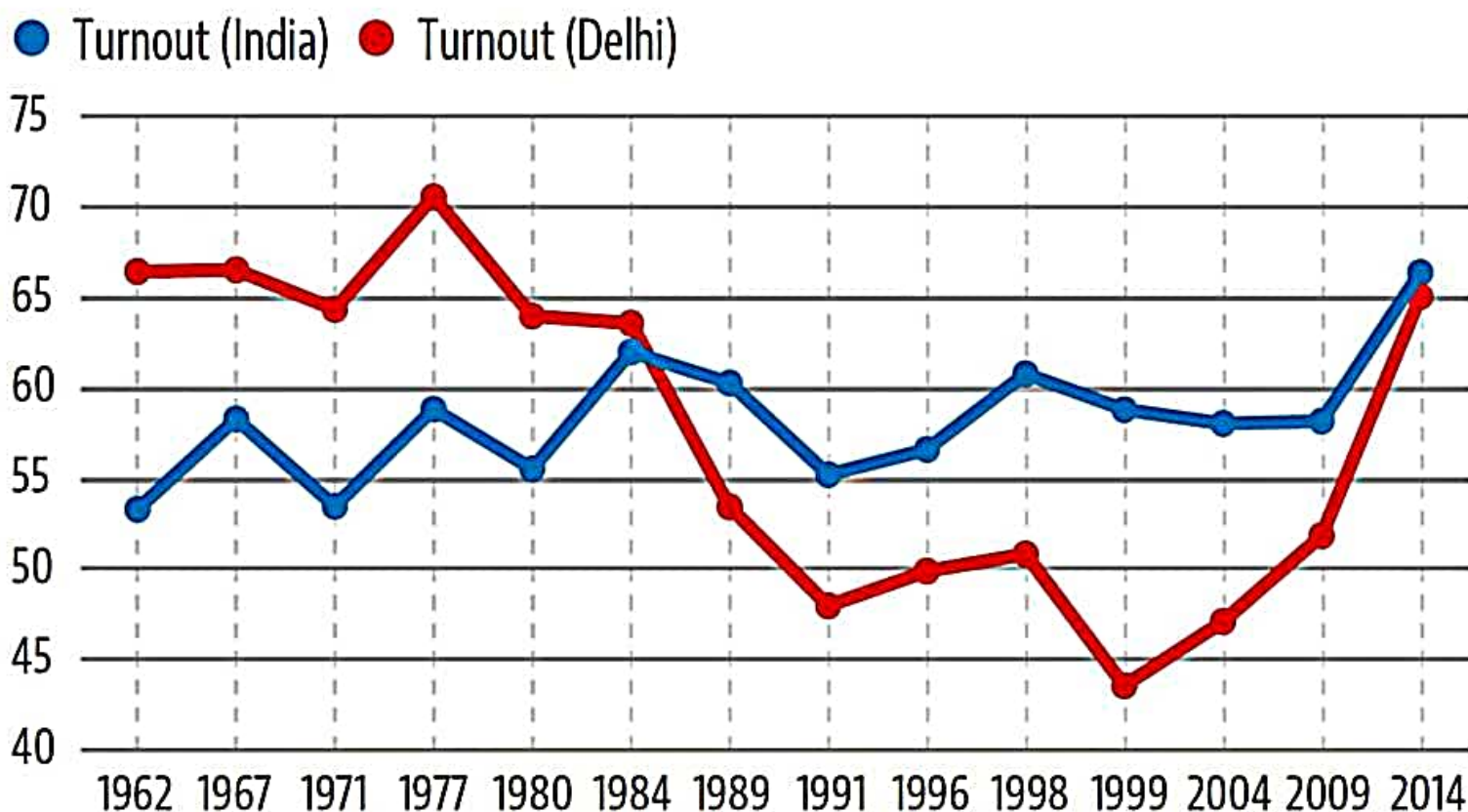
When asked which government they would like to change immediately, more respondents said centre than state

■ Central goverment   ■ State government

Percentage of respondents →