The Election Commission		parties as either national						The cover	parties	2.69				Largest states are ones	with more than 30	Parliamenta
or state parties based on	their performance in	previous elections. Delhi			After Telangana, Tamil	Nadu has the highest	average of independent	The seven national	together felded	candidates per					Pradesh	Maharashtra
and Haryana have a high	number of candidates				candidates contesting	in this election. On	average, of the	constituency. Among	the largest fve states,	West Bengal has the				seats: Uttar	(80),	(48), West
that have not been	recognised as either	national or state parties			candidates in each	constituency in Tamil	Nadu, two- thirds are	highest representation	of candidates from	national parties, at				Bengal (42), Bihar (40),	and Tamil Nadu	(39). These states
					contesting as	independent	candidates.	4.6. In that state,	candidates from fve	national parties are				together have 249 seats	i.e., 46% of Lok Sabha	
								contesting		Re	ecognised	parties,	1.53			
		The nominations for all	phases of the General	Election have be							state	together, felded	candidate per	es		
		submitted. We examine	highlights from data on	candida who a							nstituency. Bihar (6	state parties) and Tamil	Nadu (8 state parties)			
		participating in the	ongoing elections. There	are 8,0 candida						Se	ee a high	representation of	candidate from stat			
		contesting for 542	Parliamentary	constitue						p 1.	arties, at 2 and 1.3	respectively				

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On average, 14.8 candidates are	contesting per constituency	across the country. Among all
the states,	highest	candidates
Telangana	average	contesting.
has the	number of	This is
primarily	contestants	Nizamabad.
due to 185	from	Excluding
Nizamabad, the state's average	number of contestants would	be 16.1.