



Says

What have we heard them say?  
What can we imagine them saying?



Thinks

What are their wants, needs, hopes, and dreams?  
What other thoughts might influence their behavior?



Feels

What are their fears, frustrations, and anxieties?  
What other feelings might influence their behavior?



Does

What behavior have we observed?  
What can we imagine them doing?



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Political Juggernauts  
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Analysis of  
Candidates in the  
2019 Lok Sabha  
Elections,

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The nominations for all phases of the General Election have been submitted. We examine highlights from data on candidates who are participating in the ongoing elections

On average, 14.8 candidates are contesting per constituency across the country. Among all the states, Telangana has the highest average number of candidates contesting.

This is primarily due to 185 contestants from Nizamabad. Excluding Nizamabad, the state's average number of contestants would be 16.1.

The Election Commission of India recognises parties as either national or state parties based on their performance in previous elections.

Article 75(3) of the Constitution states that the government is collectively responsible to Lok Sabha. This means that the government must always enjoy the support of a majority of the members of Lok Sabha

The Rules of Procedure state that the motion must be discussed within 10 days of being introduced. This year, the no-confidence motion was discussed 13 calendar days after introduction.

Discussion on the first no-confidence motion of the 17th Lok Sabha began today. No-confidence motions and confidence motions are trust votes, used to test or demonstrate the support of Lok Sabha

The seven national parties together fielded 2.69 candidates per constituency. Among the largest five states, West Bengal has the highest representation of candidates from national parties, at 4.6.

The five constituencies that have the highest candidate representation are from the southern states of Telangana, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu.

On average, of the candidates in each constituency in Tamil Nadu, two-thirds are contesting as independent candidates.