



# Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot submitted resignation letter to the Governor

## Why in News?

On December 3, 2023, after the Bharatiya Janata Party got a clear majority in the assembly elections in Rajasthan and the defeat of the Congress, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot reached Raj Bhavan and submitted his resignation from the post of Chief Minister to Governor Kalraj Mishra.

## Key Points:

- Governor Mishra accepted the resignation of Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot with immediate effect and urged him to continue working till the formation of the new government in the state.
- It is worth mentioning that in Rajasthan Assembly Elections-2023, Bharatiya Janata Party has won 115 out of 199 seats. Congress got 69 seats, while other parties and independents got a total of 15 seats.
- Ashok Gehlot was elected to the 7<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha (1980-84) for the first time in the year 1980 from Jodhpur parliamentary constituency. He represented Jodhpur parliamentary constituency in the 8<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha (1984-1989), 10<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha (1991-96), 11<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha (1996-98) and 12<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha (1998-1999). In 1998 he became the Chief Minister of Rajasthan.
- Gehlot became a member of the 11<sup>th</sup> Rajasthan Legislative Assembly in February 1999 after being elected from Sardarpura (Jodhpur) assembly constituency. Gehlot was re-elected to the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Rajasthan Legislative Assembly from this assembly constituency. He was also elected in the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Rajasthan Legislative Assembly and became the Chief Minister.
- He served as a Union Minister in the cabinets of Indira Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi and PV Narasimha Rao. He became a Union Minister three times. When Indira Gandhi was the Prime Minister of India, Ashok Gehlot was the Deputy Minister of Tourism and Civil Aviation in Indira Gandhi's cabinet from September 2, 1982 to February 7, 1984. After this Gehlot became the Deputy Minister of Sports.
- Gehlot served as the Union Minister of State for Tourism and Civil Aviation in the period from December 31, 1984 to September 26, 1985. After this he was made the Union Minister of State for Textiles. Gehlot was the minister of this ministry from June 21, 1991 to January 18, 1993.



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