

Jammu & Kashmir Elections 2024

Why in News?

Jammu & Kashmir held its first assembly elections in a decade and the first since the abrogation of $\frac{\text{Article}}{370}$ in 2019. The third and final phase concluded on **1**st **October, 2024.**

Key Points

- Constituencies and Turnout Breakdown:
 - Kashmir Division (16 Seats):
 - **Highest turnout: Gurez (77.96%)** has highest turnout across the Kashmir region, outpolling 37 constituencies of Jammu division also.
 - Jammu Division (24 Seats): Highest turnout: Inderwal: 82.16%, Padder-Nagseni: 80.67%, Shri Mata Vaishnodevi: 80.45%, Akhnoor: 79.70%, Marh and Chhamb: 79%
- First phase voter turnout (18th September): 61%
- Second phase voter turnout (25th September): 57.3%

Jammu & Kashmir Demography

- Population Statistics (2011 Census):
 - Total population: 12,541,302 (0.93% of India's total population).
 - Males: 6,640,662.Females: 5,900,640.
 - Sex ratio: 892 females per 1,000 males (compared to the national ratio of 933).
- Religious Composition:
 - Muslims: 68.32%.
 - Hindus: 28.44%.
 - Sikhs: 1.87%.
 - Buddhists: 0.90%.
 - Christians: 0.28%.
 - o Others: 0.01%.

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