Justin Trudeau's Liberal Party will remain in power in Canada but a

narrow election win means he will head a minority government NEW DEMOCRATS | 15.9

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The NDP is unlikely to join the Trudeau Cabinet. The only time Canada had a coalition government was in 1917, during the First World War

 The NDP helped keep Liberal minority governments in power from 1972-1974 and again in 2005

> Thank you, Canada, for putting your trust in our team and for having faith in us to move this country in the right direction. Regardless of how you cast your vote, our team will work hard for all Canadians. — JUSTIN TRUDEAU, Prime Ministe

> The winner of this election is not a leader or a party - the winners should be Canadians. They want a govt that works for them. Not the rich and the

# Jagmeet Singh emerges as 'kingmaker'

**Total Number** 

of seats

338

PM Justin Trudeau, who lost majority, needs the support of Singh's left-leaning NDP to form the govt.

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Indian-origin Canadian politician Jagmeet Singh, whose New Democratic Party (NDP) won 24 seats in the general election, is set to emerge as "kingmaker" while Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's Liberal Party lost majority.

The Liberal Party won 157 seats in the 338-member lower House, while the main opposition Conservatives secured 121 seats. Mr. Trudeau will now require at least 13 legislators from his left-leaning rival parties to reach the 'magic number' of 170 to form a Liberal Party-led minority government.

"The New Democratic Party is poised to play kingmaker in a minority Parliament after Jagmeet Singh spearheaded a turnaround on the federal campaign trail that may have saved his leadership and pulled his party from the brink of irrelevance," the Toronto Star newspaper reported.

With 24 seats in its kitty, the NDP has lost nearly 50% of the seats it had won in 2015. Despite the drop in seats, Mr. Singh, in a celebratory speech on Tuesday, said his party will now be "working hard" to deliver on the "priorities that Canadians "When we get back to Ot-

tawa, every single day we are in Parliament, New Democrats are going to be working to make sure Canadians' lives are better," he was quoted as saying by globalnews.ca. Mr. Singh said his party's elected officials will now head to Ottawa to tackle a number of issues, including taking "real and urgent action" on climate change, making life more affordable



Liberal Party supporters flashing V signs after party's victory in Montreal. • REUTERS

for Canadians and making sure the "super wealthy pay their fair share".

The first non-white leader of a federal political party in Canada, the 40-year-old Mr. Singh congratulated Mr. Trudeau, 47, on his win.

In the Liberal government elected in 2015, Indian-Canadians had notched up a record number of 19 seats. Of those 19, as many as 18 were of Punjabi origin. Mr. Trudeau's outgoing Cabinet has four Sikhs - Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan; Infrastructure Minister Amarjeet Sohi; Innovation, Science and Economic Development Minis-

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### NDP's demands

Chagger.

"I think a Liberal government supported by the NDP is likely going to lean farther left," said John Manley, a former Liberal Finance Minister who now works in the private sector. "It raises a series of issues about what are the demands that an NDP party would make. What's the price of governing going to be? I think businesses are going to be reluctant to make any moves until they get some satisfaction around

Minority governments in Canada rarely last more than two and a half years.

One senior Liberal noted that many legislators need to serve another two years to meet the six-year requirement for a Parliamentary pension. "That gives us a pretty free hand for that period," said the Liberal, who requested anonymity given the sensitivity of the matter.

The New Democrats struck deals to help keep Liberal minority governments in power from 1972-1974 and in 2005.

Mr. Trudeau visited Montreal's subway, posing for selfies with commuters early on Tuesday, an echo of 2015 when he did the same thing.

This win was different. But Mr. Trudeau barely mentioned the loss of his majority when he spoke to supporters, saying he had "a clear mandate" for a progressive agenda and more action to combat global warming.

## Parliament defeats British PM's ratification timetable

Govt. will pause Brexit legislation with the EU, says Johnson

REUTERS

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson will hold conversations with other EU leaders on Tuesday to determine what their next steps are after Parliament rejected his proposed timetable to pass Brexit legislation, his spokesman said.

Mr. Johnson said the government would pause legislation to ratify its Brexit deal with the EU while the bloc decides whether to offer a delay to Britain's planned October 31 exit.

Speaking after Parliament rejected the government's timetable for the legislation, he said: "The EU must now make up their minds over how to answer Parliament's request for a delay."

"I will speak to EU member states about their inten-Until they have reached a decision we will pause this legislation. Let me be clear, our policy remains that we should not delay," he



Britain's Prime Minister Boris Johnson speaking in the House of Commons in London on Tuesday. • AFP

Ahead of the vote, Mr. Johnson had warned Parliament that if it defeated him on the timetable and forced a delay until January then he would abandon his attempt to ratify the deal and push for an election instead under the slogan of "Get Brexit

Mr. Johnson was on Saturday forced by opponents into the humiliation of asking the EU for a delay beyond October 31 that he had vowed he would never seek. The European Council President Donald Tusk said he is taking the request seriously.

Lawmakers voted 322 to 308 against the so-called Programme Motion which set out a three-day schedule to rush his deal through the House of Commons. Earlier, lawmakers voted

329 to 299 in favour of the second reading of his 115page Withdrawal Agreement Bill, which was a significant boost for Mr. Johnson just five days after he struck a last-minute deal with the

## Turkey, Russia strike a deal on Syria

Both countries will jointly patrol the northeastern border

REUTERS SOCHI/ANKARA

Turkey and Russia agreed on Tuesday to remove the Syrian Kurdish YPG militia to beyond 30 km from the Turkish border, after which their troops will jointly patrol a narrower strip of land in a "safe zone" Ankara has long sought in northeastern

On Wednesday, Russian military police and Syrian border guards will move in to facilitate the removal of

YPG members and weapons to beyond the zone in a mission that should take about six days, according to the deal struck between Mr. Erdogan and President Vladimir Putin in Sochi.

The YPG, the key component in the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) that have for years fought alongside the U.S. troops against Islamic State, will also leave the towns of Tel Rifaat and Manbij. "The main aim of the opYPG terror organisations from the area and to facilitate the return of Syrian refugees," Mr. Erdogan told a joint news conference with Mr. Putin.

"This operation also guarantees Syria's territorial integrity," Mr. Erdogan added.

Meanwhile, the commander of SDF fighters has informed the U.S. that it has fulfilled its obligations to withdraw forces from a border area with Turkey in northeastern Syria.

## + Trump calls impeachment inquiry against him a 'lynching'

President faced backlash for using the racially charged term

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE

U.S. President Donald Trump on Tuesday likened the impeachment investigation against him to a "lynching," a racially charged word from the darkest days of America's slavery legacy.

There was an immediate backlash to Mr. Trump's tweet, in which he claimed that impeachment was unfair and stripping him of his legal rights.

"All Republicans must remember what they are witnessing here – a lynching. But we will WIN!," Mr.

Trump tweeted. Kristen Clarke, president



Donald Trump •BLOOMBERG

of the National Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, said she was "sickened to see Mr. Trump's gross misappropriation of this term today."

Ms. Clarke said that 4,743

people were lynched in the U.S. between 1882 and 1968. of which 3,446 were African

"Lynchings were crimes against humanity and an ugly part of our nation's history of racial violence," she

"It's beyond shameful to use the word 'lynching' to describe being held accountable for your actions," said Democratic presidential candidate Julian Castro.

Mr. Trump is being investigated for possible impeachment in the Democrat-House Representatives over his alleged abuse of office.

## Political deadlock continues in Israel

After Netanyahu failed to form govt., his rival Benny Gantz is expected to be invited

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has suffered a serious defeat in his bid to stay on as Premier by failing to form a new coalition government, but his opponent faced similar difficulties on

Ex-military chief Benny Gantz is now expected to be given the chance to try to negotiate a coalition by President Reuven Rivlin, but a deadlock following polls held on September 17 remains and yet another election cannot be ruled out.

It would be Israel's third election within a year after Mr. Netanyahu also failed to form a coalition after April

Mr. Netanyahu's decision to inform Mr. Rivlin on Monday night that he has been unable to form a government by no means signalled the end of his tenure as Israel's longest-serving Prime Minister. He remains premier as long as no new government is formed, and a number of scenarios exist that could see him retain his post even as he faces the possibility of corruption charges in the weeks ahead.

### **Obstructed negotiations**

When announcing his decision with a social media video, Mr. Netanyahu sought to blame Mr. Gantz since the ex-military chief has refused to negotiate on the premier's preferred terms.



Benny Gantz

One of Mr. Netanyahu's closest allies, Energy Minister Yuval Steinitz, argued on Tuesday that the Prime Minister had been "obstructed" in negotiations. "Disagreements don't prevent negotiations," he told Israel's Army radio.

A senior member of his centrist Blue and White al-

liance was strongly critical of Mr. Netanyahu. "What has Bibi done with

the mandate to build a government? Four weeks of nothing," Ofer Shelah said on Twitter, using Mr. Netanyahu's nickname. "He passed the time in or-

der to continue as prime minister for a little while longer... Bibi wants elections. That is obvious."

The deadlock following the polls will likely require major concessions or a decision by members of Mr. Netanyahu's right-wing Likud to abandon him - and the two options appear a long way off for now. Both Likud and Blue and White say they want a unity government, but they are divided on how.



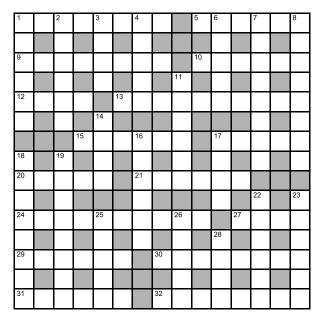
power for Brexit: EU

European Commission chief Jean-Claude Juncker said the EU has done "all in its power" to ensure an orderly Brexit and that a new divorce deal now hangs on the approval of British MPs before any European ratification. AFP

### 157 dead in week-long Iraq protests: official toll

BAGHDAD The death toll from weeklong anti-government protests in Baghdad and other cities at the start of the month totalled 157, an official inquiry found. Around 70% of the deaths were caused by bullet wounds. AFP

## **THE HINDU CROSSWORD 12762**



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1 Involvement in street

disturbance (8)

5 Congratulation for medical department's licence (6) 9 End-user to study problem with

hesitation (8) 10 Strict to get a set of bones (6) 12 General feeling is low and beginning to drop (4)

of fracas without the revolution leader (10)

15 Stop condition limited for exchange (6)

17 Member newspaper (5) 20 The day the journalist was

burned out (5) 21 Dimmer German wanted fifty per cent cut in amalgamation

24 Indistinctly hears son in business activity (5,5)

27 Cooking medium man found in limits of Gingee (4)

29 Monastery resident twice dead

30 Storing large signboard (8) 31 Specialist no longer smart-

32 Made an impression on the European rush (8)

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1 Without which there can't be outgo (6)

2 Shoddy couple of containers

4 Very thin cut, say (5)

(set by Gridman)

7 Erudition left out; dollars obtained finally; that's wages

8 Guiding to exercise? (8)

agraharam (4)

11 Devotee roared deliriously (6)

16 Most docile Tamil leader's

17 Frank's work went to no end

18 From where horse may emerge? (8)

figure out computing speed

flowing endlessly (6)

23 Gear shift to grasp, for example, Caribbean music (6)

26 About to capsize vessel (1-4)

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## **FAITH**

## Vishnu the enabler

Lord Mahavishnu is lauded as Vijayah in the Vishnu Sahasranama. That is because He makes it possible for Brahma and others to execute their duties successfully, explained M.A. Venkatakrishnan in a discourse. He is jEtA – that is He makes them act according to His wishes. He is VishvayOnih – that is He is responsible for making the Universe function. He is Punarvasu – He is present in everyone and makes it possible for everyone to do their respective work. Nothing is possible without His grace and without His willing it. If something turns out well when we execute it, it is because of His blessing. We may observe that a skilled artist may paint a lovely picture, but may sometimes not be able to reproduce the same picture if asked to do it again. That is because the Lord decides what we achieve and when and how.

Nammazhvar, in one of his verses, talks about the episode of the burning of the three cities of the demons by Lord Siva. The story is a Vedic one, and it is the reason why Siva is known as Tripurantaka. It was Vishnu who was present at the tip of the arrows of Siva. Brahma imparts jnana to the devas, but it is Lord Mahasvishnu, who as antaryami, makes this possible. So ultimately, it is Vishnu, who is the enabler, the One who is responsible for the imparting of jnana to the

The Vishnu Sahasranama extols the Lord's many avataras, and not just the Dasavataras. The Sanskrit word dasa means ten, but it also means 'beautiful.' So, while we take the word dasa to mean ten and talk of His ten avataras, the word dasa can also be taken to refer to the beautiful nature of His avataras, and this would apply not only to the Dasavataras, but to all His avataras. Thirumangai Azhvar, in his Peria Tirumozhi celebrates all the ten avataras in one verse.

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The crossword is also

available online at

crossword.thehindu.com

13 Stage play, for one, in favour

3 Endless way to defeat (4)

25 Is French hesitation over

**6** Greek storeroom? (5)

14 Trinket retrieved from Hindu

steam dissipates (6)

19 Phileas Fogg? He's gone out to

22 Fare well with the river

perfumery ingredient? (5)

28 Time edge's put in shape (4)