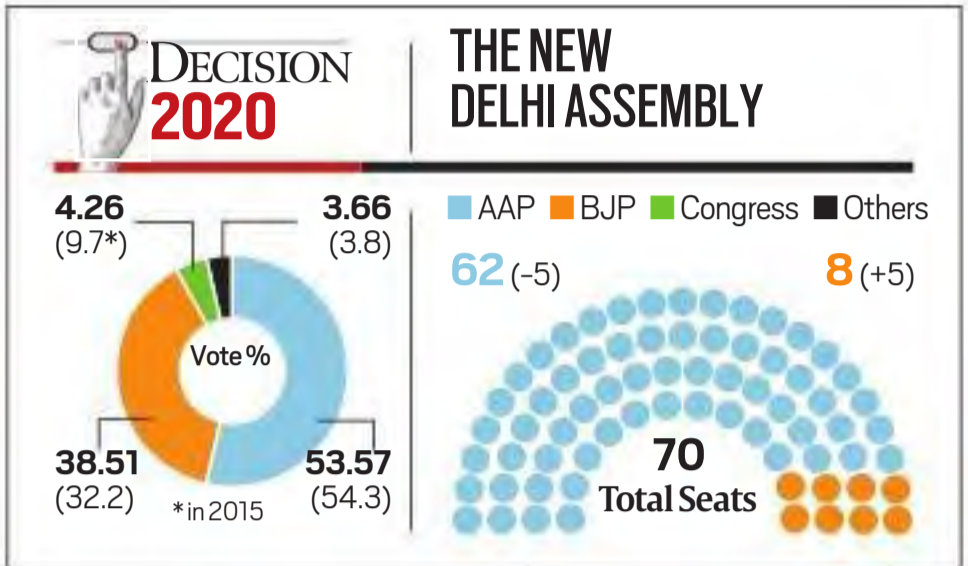


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ARVIND KEJRIWAL THANKING VOTERS AFTER HIS THIRD VICTORY

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AAP landslide after BJP's goli maaro call, Shaheen Bagh current

Victory nine months after AAP lost all Assembly segments in Lok Sabha polls

MALLICA JOSHI
NEW DELHI, FEBRUARY 11

OVERCOMING A high-octane divisive BJP campaign right in the middle of anti-CAA protests that rocked the Capital, Arvind Kejriwal and his Aam Aadmi Party returned to power in Delhi Tuesday for a second five-year term at the head of another landslide. The AAP won 62 of the 70 seats and retained much of its vote share from 2015 when it won 67 seats — its vote share was 53.57%, a marginal drop from 54.34% in 2015.

The BJP, a distant second, won the remaining eight seats as against three in the last Assembly polls, and its vote share climbed from 32.2% to 38.51%.

Blanked, the Congress recorded its lowest vote share — 4.26% — since the first polls for the Delhi Assembly in 1993. Before AAP's winning streak started in 2013, the Congress, under Sheila Dikshit, had ruled

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Delhi for 15 years.

"Dilliwalon, gazab kar diya aap logon ne, I love you... This the birth of a new kind of politics, the politics of work," Kejriwal said, shortly after it became clear that he and his party had been swept back to power.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated him via a Twitter post: "Congratulations

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Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal with his family and party leaders at the AAP headquarters in New Delhi on Tuesday. Tashi Tobgyal

Diminishing returns in states for BJP's hard ideological push

ABHINAV RAJPUT, RAVISH TIWARI & LIZ MATHEW
NEW DELHI, FEBRUARY 11

FOR THE BJP, which won a record majority in the general elections barely nine months ago, the verdict in Delhi Tuesday joins the string of electoral outcomes that have fallen much below its expectations.

The outcome for the BJP-led alliances in Maharashtra, Haryana, Jharkhand and Delhi indicate a

trend of diminishing political returns for the BJP's hard ideological agenda given how the party has aggressively marketed abrogation of Article 370 and splitting Jammu and Kashmir (during the Maharashtra and Haryana Assembly elections), the Ram temple (Jharkhand elections) and the Citizenship (Amendment) Act (Delhi elections).

Indeed, the BJP, which had secured majority in 65 of the 70 Assembly seats in the Lok Sabha elections in Delhi nine months ago, was optimistic



The BJP office in New Delhi on Tuesday. Abhinav Saha

that the Centre's decision to clear regularisation of unauthorised colonies in the national capital — a move that could benefit 40-50 lakh people — could be the

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Shots fired at AAP MLA's vehicle in Mehrauli, party worker killed, one injured

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL
NEW DELHI, FEBRUARY 11

AN UNKNOWN assailant fired at the vehicle of AAP Mehrauli MLA Naresh Yadav late Tuesday night, leaving an accompanying party volunteer dead and another injured.

According to police, the incident took place at an intersection in Mehrauli. The assailant came "from Kishangarh side" on foot and fled after firing, Additional DCP (South West) Ingit Pratap Singh said. The MLA



Mehrauli MLA Naresh Yadav

was not injured.

The volunteer, Ashok Mann, was taken to Fortis Hospital, where he died. Another volunteer, Harinder, was also injured, police said. Hospital authorities confirmed that two people had been admitted but gave no other details.

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Birth of a new politics, the politics of work, says Kejriwal

SOURAV ROY BARMAN
NEW DELHI, FEBRUARY 11

THE STAGE would not host any speaker until mid-afternoon. But at AAP headquarters Tuesday, the stage was not just the medium, but the message.

"Join the AAP for nation development," said the flexes wrapped around the makeshift stage, erected on the terrace of the party office on Deen Dayal Upadhyay Marg in New Delhi.

At 3.35 pm, as he rose to speak, the slogan formed the backdrop for Arvind Kejriwal.

The message could not be clearer. Having achieved the astonishing feat of bagging 90 per cent seats in two elections in a row, the AAP was now once again daring to spread wings, a desire that it had to shelve owing to successive electoral reverses, forcing it to adopt a "Delhi first" policy.

In his speech Kejriwal once again stressed the importance of the *bijli, paani, shiksha* and *swastha* model, the defining theme of his governance model. "Dilliwalon, gazab kar diya aap logon ne, I love you... This the birth of a new kind of politics, the politics of work," he said. But the line that followed could not have been more telling.

"This (AAP's victory) is a great message for not just Delhi, but the country. This politics of work will take India to the 21st Century. This victory is not just of Delhi people, but that of Bharat Mata. This is a victory for

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Mumbai police chief's family firm got digital project just before polls

SAGAR RAJPUT & SANDEEP ASHAR
MUMBAI, FEBRUARY 11

DAYS BEFORE the Maharashtra Assembly polls, the state Home department, led by the then Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, issued an order allotting work of digitisation of Mumbai police's official records to a private company owned by the son and wife of Mumbai Police Commissioner Sanjay



Mumbai Police Commissioner Sanjay Barve

Barve.

According to official documents accessed by *The Indian Express*, the department, informed Barve's office on October 7, 2019 that the proposal to allot

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In PDP leader's PSA file: Referred to Geelani book, criticised Amit Shah

BASHAARAT MASOOD
SRINAGAR, FEBRUARY 11

ADVISING PEOPLE to read Hurriyat leader Syed Ali Geelani's autobiography to inspire them to "never give up the dream of education" and criticising the then BJP president Amit Shah's speech are among the reasons cited by the Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) administration for invoking the stringent Public Safety Act (PSA) against senior



Geelani never gave up dream of education, he told teachers

PDP leader Naem Akhtar.

In September 2016, when schools in the Valley had been shut for almost three months because of curfews and calls for shutdown by separatists, Akhtar, CONTINUED ON PAGE 4

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Ahmedabad dresses up for Kem Chho Trump



Beautification work near the Motera stadium. Javed Raja

VAIBHAV JHA, RITU SHARMA & SOHINI GHOSH
AHMEDABAD, FEBRUARY 11

IN THE early hours of Tuesday, the White House announced that US President Donald Trump will be coming to India on February 24 for a two-day trip, with wife Melania.

Less than a fortnight to go, their first stop, Ahmedabad, is in a rush to get ready for the visit

that has been awaited since 2017, when Prime Minister Narendra Modi first extended an invite.

Around the swanky Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Stadium at Motera, some roads are being laid and others re-carpeted, a coat of paint is being applied to newly installed railings, while even footpaths are getting new paver blocks.

Touted as the largest cricket stadium in the world after a re-vamp doubled its capacity to 1.10 lakh people, the Motera stadium

is set to host an event on the lines of 'Howdy Modi', headlined by the PM in Texas in September last year. Sources say the tentative title for the event, likely to be held on February 24 evening, is 'Kem Chho Mr President', 'kem chho' being howdy's equivalent in Gujarati.

Earlier in the morning, the Trumps are expected to begin their tour by visiting the Sabarmati Ashram, Gujarat government sources said.

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