

Constituencies Where Candidates Won the Highest Percentage of Votes

In Myanmar 2015 general elections, the National League for Democracy had a landslide victory, winning nearly 80 per cent of parliamentary seats. Winning margin varied in a wide range – in certain constituencies candidates won nearly 90 % of votes while in certain constituencies the winning margin was less than 1%.

This brief analysis provides the constituencies where a party had a 90 per cent of votes.

Table 1: Constituencies where candidates won nearly 90 % of votes

Constituency	Party	Full Name	Percentage of Valid Votes
S/R_Sagaing_Kawlin (2)	NLD	U Tin Soe	89.77
	NUP	U Tin Myint	5.02
	NDF	Daw Thet Mar Oo	3.11
	SNDP	U San Win	2.1
S/R_Sagaing_Salingyi (1)	NLD	Dr. Thein Naing	90.07
	USDP	U Aung Naing	7.89
	NUP	U Myint	2.04
S/R_Shan_Konkyan (2)	USDP	U Kyauk Tal Chan	92.83
	Shan State Kokang Democratic Party	U Aike Sai	7.17
S/R_ShPan_Laukkaing (1)	USDP	U Aung Than Htut	90.56
	Shan State Kokang Democratic Party	U Kyuu San Haing	9.44
S/R_Yangon_Cocokyun (1)	NLD	U Kyaw Thu	9.91
	USDP	U Tin Win	90.09
	New National Democracy Party	U Nay Win Than	0
S/R_Yangon_Pezundaung (1)	NLD	U Khin Maung Win	89.52
	USDP	U Tin Cho Aye	8.53
	NDF	Daw Yin Min Aye	1.95
S/R_Yangon_Tamwe (1)	NLD	U Hla Thein	86.06
	USDP	U Than Aung	10.05
	NUP	U Win Htein	1.69
	NDF	U Myo Zaw Lin	1.58
	National Unity Congress Party	U Toe Swe	0.48
	Bamar People's Party	U Htoo Wai Lin	0.14

As can be seen from the above table, Union Solidarity and Development Party (USDP) and NLD were major competitors. USDP won over 90 % of votes in Konkyan (1), Laukking (1) and Cocokyun (1). In Konkyan (1) and Laukkaing (1) there were only two competing which are USDP and Shan State Kokang Democratic Party. Interestingly, NLD did not compete in these constituencies. U Kyauk Tal Chan, a representative from Konkyan (1), won the highest percentage of votes_ 92.83 %.

On the other hand, NLD had a very remarkable success in Kawlin (2), Salingyi (1), Pezundaung (1) and Tamwe (1) constituencies, obtaining nearly 90% of votes.

Myanmar uses First-Past-the-Post (FPTP) electoral system; a party can win without being the most popular in a constituency. However, the above cases illustrate certain constituencies clearly have a strong party preference. It would be interesting to observe whether this trend will continue in future elections.

Reference

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