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Scindia, Digvijaya post easy RS poll victories



Sweet win: Former M.P. CM Kamal Nath offering sweets to Congress leader Digvijaya Singh in Bhopal. \*A.M. FARUQUI

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT, NEW DELHI candidate of the Congress, Phool Singh Baraiya, secured 36 votes, falling short of the 52-mark to be elected. Two votes were declared invalid. All four seats up for grabs in Andhra Pradesh were won by the ruling YSRCP, taking the party's strength in the Upper House from two to six.

Legislature Secretary and Returning Officer P. Balakrishnamacharyulu said the four victorious candidates, Ayodhya Rami Reddy Alla, Nathwani Parimal, Pilli Subhaschandra Bose and Venkataramana Rao Mopidevi polled 38 votes each.

The Telugu Desam Party candidate, Varla Ramaiah, secured 17 votes, he said.

The second preference

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Congress wins two Rajya Sabha seats in Rajasthan

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT, NEW DELHI The ruling Congress party won two of the three Rajya Sabha seats for which elections were held on Friday, while the opposition BJP got one. All-India Congress Committee general secretary K.C. Venugopal and former Youth Congress State president Neeraj Dangri were declared winners as Congress candidates, as was the BJP State vice-president Rajendra Gehlot.

For two Rajya Sabha seats in Jharkhand, the Opposition BJP candidate Deepak Prakash and ruling party Jharkhand Mukti Morcha candidate Shibu Soren were elected comfortably while, the Congress candidate Shahzada Anwar lost.

For Meghalaya's lone seat, W.R. Kharilukhi of the National People's Party, with 39 out of 58 valid votes, defeated K.C. Khyriem of the Congress. In Mizoram, K. Vanlalvena of the Mizo National Front won the single seat up for grabs with 27 out of 40 seats, beating Lalchhunga of the Congress and B. Lalchanzova of the Zoram People's Movement.

In Manipur, the State's titular king Leisemba Sanjao-ba, the BJP candidate, was declared the winner. Four seats in Karnataka and one in Arunachal Pradesh were also supposed to go to polls on Friday, but the candidates were declared elected unopposed.