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## **Bypolls: BJP wrests Chincholi** Assembly seat from Congress

Cong's Kusumavati records narrow victory in Kundgol

BENGALURU, DHNS: The father-son duo of Chincholi, Dr Umesh Jadhav and Dr Avinash Jadhav, delivered a big blow to Congress veteran Mallikarjun Kharge in his own home turf Kalaburagi.

While Umesh secured a thumping victory against the hitherto undefeated Kharge, his son Avinash secured the Chincholi Assembly seat in the bypoll by a margin of 8,030

The Chincholi victowhile his rival Subhash Rathod managed to garner 61,079 votes.

Bypoll in Chincholi constituency was necessitated after Umesh resigned from the Congress to take on Kharge in the Lok Sabha elections to Gulbarga constituency.

Father's good rapport with the voters of all communities, Modi wave and caste equation worked in favour of Avinash. He emerged victorious despite a concerted effort by the coalition partners to defeat the BJP.

Winning the seat was crucial for the BJP as it is widely believed among political circles that the party which wins Chincholi will hold the reins of power in the everybody on the tenterhooks state.

## Sympathy wave

The Congress-JD(S) alliance, Soudha. however, had some saving



ry will help the BJP shore up BJP workers greet party candidate from Gulbarga constituency Umesh Jadhav and Chincholi its numbers in the Assembly to segment Avinash Jadhav following their victories in Lok Sabha and Assembly bypoll, in 105. Avinash polled 69,109 votes Kalaburagi on Thursday. Он РНОТО

## ASSEMBLY BYELECTION RESULTS



Votes polled: 77,640 Votes polled: 76,039



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alli, wife of late C S Shivalli, emerging victorious in Kundgol Assembly by-election. In a seesaw battle, that kept till the last round of counting, Congress' Kusumavati rode the sympathy wave to Vidhan

She staved off S I Chikkanagrace with Kusumavati Shiv- goudar of the BJP by a slender

margin of 1,611 votes.

The Congress and coalition partner JD(S) had left no stone unturned to retain the seat with Water Resources Minister D K Shivakumar himself taking charge of the bypolls here.

The Congress leaders had camped in the region for 15 days and had taken up extensive campaign for their candidate.

"Saddened by the untimely death of my husband CSShivalli, the voters here reposed their faith in me and supported me. I am indebted to the people of the constituency. I will make use of this opportunity to fulfil the dreams of my husband and also the aspirations of the people," Kusumavati told DH.

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