

## **Decoding the Bihar Elections Data**

The articles below analyse various dimensions of Bihar politics using evidence from surveys conducted by Lokniti over the last two decades. They appeared in *The Indian Express* as part of a special series.

### **Decoding the data: Upper-caste consolidation, fragmented OBCs and a tough choice**

Sanjay Kumar and Suhas Palshikar

*The Indian Express*, September 16, 2015

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/politics/decoding-the-data-upper-caste-consolidation-fragmented-obcs-and-a-tough-choice/>

### **Bihar Polls: BJP consistent, Congress erratic among upper castes**

Nitin Mehta and Pranav Gupta

*The Indian Express*, September 18, 2015

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/politics/bihar-polls-bjp-consistent-congress-erratic-among-upper-castes/>

### **Decoding the data: Nitish ahead among Mahadalits but BJP closes the gap**

Shreyas Sardesai

*The Indian Express*, September 22, 2015

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/politics/decoding-the-data-nitish-ahead-among-mahadalits-but-bjp-closes-the-gap/>

### **Decoding the data: The young voters, too few and too divided to swing poll on their own**

Sanjay Kumar & Pranav Gupta

*The Indian Express*, September 25, 2015

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/india-others/decoding-the-data-the-young-voters-too-few-and-too-divided-to-swing-poll-on-their-own/>

### **Decoding the data: Bihar's Muslim vote, oscillating between diversity and uniformity**

Hilal Ahmed

*The Indian Express*, September 29, 2015

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/india-others/decoding-the-data-bihars-muslim-vote-oscillating-between-diversity-and-uniformity/>

**Bihar polls: A PM with nationwide appeal vs one of the most popular CMs**

Sanjeer Alam

*The Indian Express*, September 30, 2015

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/politics/decoding-the-data-a-pm-with-nationwide-appeal-vs-one-of-the-most-popular-cms/>

**Decoding the data: The EBC vote, last swung by BJP, now unpredictable as ever**

Sanjay Kumar and Vibha Attri

*The Indian Express*, October 6, 2015

<http://indianexpress.com/article/india/india-news-india/decoding-the-data-the-ebc-vote-last-swung-by-bjp-now-unpredictable-as-ever/>