

CONTEMPORARY KERALA MODULE-1 MINISTRY UNDER E.M.S

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FIRST ELECTIONS: MINISTRY UNDER E.M.S



Kerala state was formed on 1st November 1956.Malabar was added to Thiru-Koci State. Kerala was formed as per the Kerala State Re-organisation Act of 1956.

After the formation, Kerala was put under President's rule by the Govt. of India. The Governor became the executive head of the state. Election Commission of India declared general election – between 28 February to 11 March1957.

- Election conducted to 126 constituencies.
- 114 were single member constituencies
 - 12 were two member constituencies of which 11 were reserved for Scheduled caste & one for Scheduled

Tribe.

A total of 406 candidates belonging to different political parties and independents contested the election. Total turn out of the voters-89,13,247 65.49%.

Indian National Congress was the only one party which contested in all 124 seats. The Communist Party of India contested in 101 seats, Praja Socialist Party in 66 seats, **Revolutionary Socialist Party in 28** seats and independents in 86 seats. Congress won in 43 seats CPI in 60 seats PSP in 9 seats Independents in 14 seats RSP placed their candidates in 28 But failed to win any No party got majority to form a ministry. CPI with elected 60 and 5 independent members claimed to form ministry

The first ministry of Kerala state came to power on 5 April 1957. **Chief Minister-**E.M.S.Namboothirippad(CPI) 11 members including C.M. In the first ministry.

- C. Achutha Menon Finance
- K .P . Gopalan-Industries
 - T .V . Thomas-Labour and Transport
- K.R.Gauri Amma-Revenue and Excise
- T.A. Majeed- Public Works
- K.C.George-Food and Forest
- P.K. Chathan Master Local self Govt.
- Joseph Mundassery-Education and Cooperation . A.R. Menon-Health
- V.R. Krishna lyer Home Affairs,
- Irrigation, Prison, Electricity & Law

The Indian Communist Politician and theorist , E.M.S. became the first Communist leader in India to head a popularly elected Govt. It was one of earliest elected Communist Governments, after communist success in the 1945 electionsin the Republic of San Marino, a city state surrounded by

Ital

Major Areas of Reforms Education: bill-1957 Act-1959 Land : bill-1959, Act-1969, enforced in 1970 Vimochana Samaram or **Liberation Agitation** June-July 1959

The Central Government dismissed the elected government in Kerala on 31 July 1959(28 Months) & imposed President's rule in the state.

