

**Table 1: Statistics of the Party positions in June 1977 Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly Elections**

| <b>Party</b>           | <b>No. Contested</b> | <b>No. Won</b> | <b>Votes secured</b> | <b>% of Votes secured</b> |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| AIADMK                 | 200                  | 130            | 5,194,876            | 30.37                     |
| DMK                    | 230                  | 48             | 4,258,771            | 24.89                     |
| INC                    | 198                  | 27             | 2,994,535            | 17.51                     |
| Janata Party           | 233                  | 10             | 2,851,884            | 16.66                     |
| CPI                    | 32                   | 5              | 496,955              | 2.91                      |
| CPI (Marxist)          | 20                   | 12             | 477,835              | 2.79                      |
| All India Forward Bloc | 6                    | 1              | 50,831               | 0.30                      |
| Republican Party       | 3                    | 0              | 3,145                | 0.02                      |
| Independents           | 468                  | 1              | 799,314              | 4.55                      |

AIADMK – All India Anna DMK, led by MGR.

DMK – Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam, led by M.Karunanidhi

INC – Indian National Congress, led by Indira Gandhi; Tamil Nadu leader – G. Karuppaiah Moopanar.

Janata Party, led by Morarji Desai, Tamil Nadu leader – P. Ramachandran

CPI – Communist Party of India, led by M. Kalyanasundaram.

CPI (M) – Communist Party of India (Marxist), led by P. Ramamurthy

In this election, AIADMK had an electoral alliance with CPI (M). Indian National Congress had an electoral alliance with CPI.