

Rajya Sabha candidates elected unopposed



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Guwahati: In a welcome change from previous years, the elections to Rajya Sabha from Assam this time did not throw up any last minute surprises or controversy with all three candidates on Wednesday declared elected unopposed.

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) candidate Bhubaneswar Kalita, BJP's ally Bodoland People's Front (BPF) nominee Biswajit Daimary and the Congress-All India United Democratic Front (AIUDF) consensus candidate Ajit Kumar Bhuyan were declared elected as the deadline for withdrawal of nomination ended.

Earlier, nomination papers filed by Kalita, Daimary and Bhuyan were found valid in the scrutiny. Elections for the three RS seats were scheduled for 26 March.

Kalita and Daimary thus make their return to the Upper House of Parliament. Seasoned journalist and rights activist Bhuyan praised both Congress and AIUDF leaders for reposing faith upon him.

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