

## **Labour Wins UK Election in a Landslide**

Following Labour's landslide victory in the 4 Jul General Election, securing 412 of 650 seats, Prime Minister Rishi Sunak resigned. King Charles appointed Labour leader Keir Starmer as the new Prime Minister to form the next government on 5 Jul. The Conservatives won only 121 seats.

The far-right Reform UK Party securing four seats, indicating a shift among former Conservative voters towards more extreme positions. The Scottish National Party's representation dropped to nine seats from 47, reflecting a decline due to Leadership Crises and Corruption investigations. In Northern Ireland, Sinn Fein strengthened its position with seven seats, while the Democratic Unionist Party saw a decrease in seats compared to the 2019 Election.

Labour's large majority in the House Of Commons will facilitate passing legislation despite internal dissent. The party has pledged to increase Public Spending, fund the NHS, accelerate Energy Transition, enhance workers' rights, create a state-owned energy company, and nationalize railways. However, the UK's high Fiscal Deficit and Public Debt will limit these initiatives. The new Labour government is expected to continue supporting Ukraine and aligning with NATO, while seeking improved cooperation with the EU.