

**4. NUMBER OF PERSONS CONTESTED AND ELECTED IN VARIOUS GENERAL ELECTIONS TO THE PARLIAMENT (LOK SABHA)**

Sl. No	Year	Seats Allotted	Total number contested	Average number of contestants per seat	Female		Male	
					Total number contested	Elected	Total number contested	Elected
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1	1999	1	9	9	0	0	9	1
2	2004	1	21	21	1	0	20	1
3	2009	1	28	28	0	0	28	1

Source :- Elections Department, Puducherry.

In the General Election to the Parliament, no women were elected from 1963 onwards. This shows that the participation of women in politics in the Union Territory of Puducherry is very limited. Women are adequately not represented in both formal and informal political processes and decision making in the Union Territory of Puducherry.