



WHY TRUMP WON?

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It was supposed to be a tight race in the US presidential election. Donald Trump was supposed to solidify what was thought to be a shaky base near the west, make sure he takes the must-win states of Florida, North Carolina, and Ohio, and look for chinks in the Hillary Clinton's armour in the Great Lakes regions.

It was a narrow path to victory for him but yesterday we learnt that he not only did that but he took down Clinton's walls.

Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Michigan were supposed to be a sure thing for her. The wall crumbled.

Pennsylvania where the Obamas and Clintons spent so much time on, went red. Wisconsin, a sure blue state she never set foot on since she was nominated, went red.

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| | PRESIDENT (ELECTORAL VOTE 538) | SENATE (100) | HOUSE (435) |
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| REPUBLICANS | 290 | 52 | 238 |
| DEMOCRATS | 228 | 47 | 193 |



President, PM greet Trump

Invite him to visit Bangladesh

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

President Abdul Hamid and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina have congratulated Donald Trump on his victory in the US presidential election.

In separate messages to the 45th president of the USA, the Bangladeshi leadership extended their heartfelt congratulations to Trump, and invited him and First Lady Melania Trump to visit Bangladesh to see the phenomenal development that is taking place in Bangladesh.

In his message, President Hamid said the US would march forward further on the path of progress and peace under the leadership of Donald Trump.

"Bangladesh firmly believes that under your [Trump] able leadership, the existing friendly relations between the two countries would further strengthen in the days ahead. We would like to work closely with you in bilateral, regional and international issues of the world."

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TRUMP-ed

Americans prove all predictions wrong, sweep Trump into power, hand Republicans the White House; Clinton leads in popular vote

Trump calls for unity

AFP, New York

Donald Trump yesterday said he would bind the nation's deep wounds and be a president "for all Americans," as he praised his defeated rival Hillary Clinton.

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Political novice and former reality TV star Donald Trump has defeated Hillary Clinton to take the US presidency, stunning America and the world in an explosive upset fuelled by a wave of grassroots anger.

The Republican mogul immediately pledged to unite a deeply divided nation. But global markets had already plunged

into turmoil and the long-standing global political order, which hinges on Washington's leadership, was cast into doubt.

Around the world, as the once feared prospect of a Trump presidency settled in as cold, hard reality, the November surprise was greeted with warnings that America has lurched into a national crisis, its leader "an unstable bigot, sexual predator and compulsive liar," in the words of Britain's The Guardian newspaper.

Trump called for national reconciliation in his first comments after Clinton conceded defeat in a result that virtually no poll had dreamed of predicting, her hopes of becoming the first female US president brutally dashed.

"Now it is time for America to bind the wounds of division," Trump told a cheer-

ing crowd of jubilant supporters in the early hours of yesterday in New York, pledging to work with Democrats in office.

"I pledge to every citizen of our land that I will be president for all Americans."

Trump praised Clinton -- in the last presidential debate, he called her a "nasty woman" -- for her hard work and years of public service. His campaign manager

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This is painful, but we owe him a chance

CNN ONLINE

"I'm sorry."

With those simple words, Hillary Clinton, who thought she would wake up yesterday as the first woman

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PHOTO: REUTERS/AFP

Disappointed supporters of Hillary Clinton at what was supposed to be a victory rally during election night in New York on Tuesday. *Bottom right*, a Clinton supporter watches the election results from the Clinton headquarters in East Los Angeles.

'Never thought this could happen'

Horror, disbelief at Clinton HQ after shocking defeat

AFP, New York

A stony silence turned to sheer horror early yesterday for Hillary Clinton's supporters at what was meant to be her presidential victory party as it became painfully clear she would not close the gap with Donald Trump.

One by one, states turned Republican red on the interactive map of the country. One by one, dejected Clinton fans left in tears without even seeing their beloved candidate.

"It's a nightmare," said Jeannette Barbasch, a 50-something Clinton backer leaving the cavernous Javits Center on the west side of Midtown Manhattan, which had been decked out in American flags for Clinton's expected win.

"We're totally distraught -- we never thought this could happen."

Brian Smith, a 40-year-old consultant from New York, said he simply could not process what had happened.

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How media, pollsters got it all wrong

CNN, USA TODAY ONLINE

The American political-media-pollster establishment does not understand the depth of anger in its own country.

That is one of the most significant lessons of the 2016 presidential election, in which Donald Trump overcame the doubts of a majority of reporters, pollsters and political scientists who believed Hillary Clinton was headed for a decisive victory.

Instead, white rural voters turned out in numbers that few so-called political experts expected, delivering that decisive victory to Trump.

"It's a debacle on the order of Dewey defeats Truman," Larry Sabato, the University of Virginia political scientist, told CNNMoney, referring to the famously incorrect headline that followed the 1948 presidential election.

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Republicans retain Senate, House

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Republicans maintained their majorities in both chambers of the US Congress in Tuesday's momentous election in which Republican Donald Trump won the presidency, empowering the party to reshape Washington.

The Republican sweep sets up the US for two years of "unified" government, which would normally mean significant policy change, reports Reuters.

Trump's White House victory marks a stunning political trifecta for Republicans that would allow them to control the legislation that makes its way through Congress and to the president's desk.

In a huge disappointment to Democrats, Republicans were on a pace to lose only a handful of seats in the House, well below the double-digit losses some predicted.

Similarly, Democrats gained only one seat in the Senate, although a few races were still to be determined, including New Hampshire, where incumbent Republican Kelly Ayotte was deadlocked with Democrat Maggie Hassan yesterday.

In Illinois, Democratic US Representative Tammy Duckworth defeated Republican Senator Mark Kirk.

In the House, Republicans secured 238 seats to the Democrats' 193, reports AFP.

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Shahzad guides Riders home

SPORTS REPORTER

You might seem flawless on one day and horribly inaccurate the other, that is just how T20 cricket works. And that is probably the thought that Chittagong Vikings skipper Tamim Iqbal was using to console himself after his side went down to Rangpur Riders by nine wickets in an unexpected defeat in their Bangladesh Premier League match at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium yesterday.

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