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Resumen del documento: A common argument for quota policies is their potential to increase the participation of targeted groups in positions that are not directly subjected to quotas or after quotas are no longer in place. I test this argument empirically in the context of India, where one third of local political leadership seats are randomly assigned over time to be held by a woman. Quotas increase the number of female candidates who later contest seats in state and national legislatures, where such policies do not exist. The effects can be explained by repeat candidacies of career politicians and new candidacies by politicians who gain particular experience from the quotas. Effect magnitudes imply that the policy accounts for a substantial portion of the increase in female candidates for these bodies since the start of the policy. Representation effects are present only when female candidates run on major party tickets. Overall, quotas do not induce permanent change in the presence of female candidates in higher office due to the low probability of a female candidate winning an election and effects on candidacy subsiding over time.

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