

**BA POLITICAL SCIENCE  
FIFTH SEMESTER (SPECIAL REPEAT)  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN INDIA  
BPS-505**

(Use separate answer scripts for Objective & Descriptive)

Duration : 3 hrs.

Full Marks : 70

**( PART-A: Objective )**

Time : 20 min.

Marks : 20

**Choose the correct answer from the following:**

**1X20=20**

- Which of the following committee recommended for Panchayati Raj System in India?
  - Punchhi Committee
  - Balwantrai Mehta Committee
  - Singhvi Committee
  - All of the above
- How many tiers are in the Panchayati Raj system of India?
  - One-tier
  - Two-tier
  - Three-tier
  - Four-tier
- Which of the following system is established on the basis of the direct election?
  - Gram Panchayat
  - Block Committee
  - Zila Parishad
  - Both b and c
- Which of the following statements is not correct?
  - Panchayati Raj was established in India by Jawahar Lal Nehru
  - Madhya Pradesh was the first state which implemented The Panchayati Raj system in India
  - 73rd Constitutional amendment was implemented in 1992
  - Tamil Nadu has adopted the bicameral method
- Which of the following Article is related to Panchayati Raj?
  - Article 243
  - Article 324
  - Article 124
  - Article 73
- Which schedule was added to the Constitution by the 73rd Constitutional Amendment?
  - 6<sup>th</sup>
  - 7<sup>th</sup>
  - 9<sup>th</sup>
  - 11<sup>th</sup>
- How many posts are reserved for women at all levels in the Panchayati raj system?
  - 1/3
  - 1/2
  - 1/4
  - 1/5
- What was the main purpose behind bringing the Panchayati Raj system in India?
  - To prevent criminalization of politics
  - Development of villages
  - Decentralisation of the political power to the general peoples
  - To reduce election expenses
- Which one of the following was the first committee to demand constitutional recognition for Panchayats?
  - Balwantrai Mehta Committee
  - Ashok Mehta Committee
  - Santhanam Committee
  - G.V.K. Rao Committee

10. In order to ensure free and fair elections and to conduct all elections to the Panchayats, the power is vested with
  - a. Chief Election Commissioner of India
  - b. Chief Minister of the State
  - c. State Election Commission
  - d. Chief Secretary of the State
11. Who is regarded as the father of Local Self Government in India?
  - a. Lord Rippon
  - b. Lord Mayo
  - c. M. Gandhi
  - d. None of the above
12. How many types of Local Government distinctively found in India?
  - a. Three
  - b. Five
  - c. Six
  - d. None of the above
13. What is/are the name of the rural local body at the Block Level?
  - a. Panchayat Samiti
  - b. Mandal
  - c. Both (a) & (b)
  - d. None of the above
14. Following is/are the general functions of Panchayat Bodies.
  - a. Maintenance of roads
  - b. Development of Cottage Industries
  - c. Supplying of Drinking Water facilities
  - d. All of them
15. Which state first adopted the Urban Local System (i.e. Municipal Governance) in India?
  - a. Madras
  - b. Rajasthan
  - c. Assam
  - d. Calcutta
16. Local Government incorporated in Item \_\_\_\_\_ in List \_\_\_\_\_ of the Constitution of India.
  - a. Item 5, List II
  - b. Item 6, List II
  - c. Item 5, List IV
  - d. None of the above
17. In the process of 'democratic decentralization', the closer contact is possible between the Government officials and local population.
  - a. False
  - b. True
  - c. Partially True
  - d. Not applicable
18. Which Article of the Indian Constitution deals with the Municipalities?
  - a. Article 240
  - b. Article 241
  - c. Article 242
  - d. None of the above
19. In which year, the Local Self-Government Ministers' Conference was held?
  - a. 1943
  - b. 1946
  - c. 1948
  - d. 1952
20. Following is/are the state control towards the local bodies
  - a. Legislative Control
  - b. Financial Control
  - c. Judicial Control
  - d. All of them

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( PART-B : Descriptive )

Time : 2 hrs. 40 min.

Marks : 50

[ Answer question no.1 & any four (4) from the rest ]

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| 1. Elaborate the constitutional provisions of the 73 <sup>rd</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act under the Constitution of India.           | 10     |
| 2. Discuss in details about the various types of Local governance units under urban governance in India.                                   | 10     |
| 3. Discuss the meaning and scope of Local Government in India.   | 10     |
| 4. Enumerate the problems and prospects of Local Government in India.  | 10     |
| 5. a) Define Gram Sabha.<br>b) Explain the powers and functions of Zilla Parishad and Gram Panchayat respectively.                         | 2+8=10 |
| 6. a) State the meaning of Panchayati Raj System.<br>b) Why this system is required for the administrative functioning of a country?       | 3+7=10 |
| 7. a) What is the concept of 'Democratic Decentralization'?<br>b) How does Centre control the Local Bodies? Explain in Indian perspective. | 3+7=10 |
| 8. Bring out the historical evolution of the local government in India.  | 10     |

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