

UNIT: V - STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Legislature:

* Articles 168 to 212 in part VI of the constitution deals with the organisation, composition, duration, officers, procedures, privileges, powers and so on of the State legislature.

* Most of the states have an unicameral system, while others have a bicameral system. At present only 7 states have two houses.

Manners of Election:

* $\frac{1}{3}$ of the total number of members of a legislative council:

* $\frac{1}{2}$ are elected by the members of local bodies in the state like municipalities, district boards, etc...

* $\frac{1}{2}$ are elected by graduates of three years standing and residing within the state.

* $\frac{1}{2}$ are elected by the teachers of three years standing in the state.

* $\frac{1}{2}$ are elected by the members of the legislative assembly of the state from amongst persons.

MEMBERSHIP OF STATE LEGISLATURE:

Qualification:

- * He must be citizen of India.
- * He must make and subscribe to an oath or affirmation.
- * He must bear true faith and allegiances to the constitution of India.
- * He must be not less than 30 yrs of age.

CENTRE - STATE RELATIONS:

- * Being federal structure India divides all powers (legislative, Executive, and financial) between the centre and the state.
- * There is no division of judicial power as the constitution has established an integrated judicial system.
- * The constitution contains elaborate provisions to regulate the various dimensions of the relations between the centre and the state.
- * The centre & State relations can be studied under three heads.
 - ↳ Legislative relation
 - ↳ Administrative relation
 - ↳ Financial relations.

Legislative Relations:

Article 245 to 255 in part X of the constitution deals with the legislative relations between the centre & states.

- ↳ Territorial extent of central & state legislation.
- ↳ Distribution of legislative subjects.
- ↳ Parliamentary regulation in the state field.
- ↳ Centre's control over state legislation.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION:

The collector:

The district collector is also known as revenue officer in turn reports into the district collector also known as district commissioner.

Role and responsibilities:

Formation of District Implementation Committee.

Oversee the entire implementation process.

Conduct review meetings every week for a period of 3 months, then have monthly meetings.

Identify bottlenecks and inform to the state level steering committee.

Functions of the collector:

- * TO collect land revenue.
- * TO collect other government dues.
- * TO distribute and recover taccavi loans.
- * TO maintain land records.
- * TO collect rural statistics
- * TO implement land reforms
- * TO look after the welfare of the agricultural
- * TO supervise treasury and sub-treasury.
- * TO enforce stamp act.
- * TO pay rehabilitation grant.
- * TO manage government estates.

LOCAL BODIES:

Local bodies are institutions of the local self governance, which look after the administration of an area or small community such as villages, towns or cities.

TYPES OF LOCAL BODIES:

- * Municipalities
- * Regional Municipalities
- * Rural communities
- * Local service Districts

PURPOSE OF LOCAL BODIES:

Local authorities are multi-purpose bodies responsible for the delivering a broad range of services in relation to roads; traffic; planning; housing; economic and community development, environment etc..