

NCERT QUESTIONS WITH SOLUTIONS

1. Name the three tiers of the Panchayati Raj system? What are the key functions of each of the three tiers?

Ans. The three tiers of the Panchayati Raj system are:

- Gram Panchayat— at village level, Block Panchayat/Panchayat
- Samiti/Mandal Parishad—at the block level
- Zila Parishad—District level.

The Key Functions of The Gram Panchayat: It looks after local issues such as water supply, sanitation, road maintenance, and education in the village. It prepares village development plans and implements government schemes at the grassroots level.

The Key Functions of The Panchayat Samiti/Mandal Parishad: It coordinates and oversees the work of Gram Panchayats within a block. It implements development programs related to health, agriculture, education, and rural development at the block level.

The Key Functions of The Zila Parishad: It oversees the functioning of Panchayat Samitis in the district. It handles district-wide projects like building roads, hospitals, and schools, and coordinates with state and central governments on development plans.

EXERCISE-01

Multiple choice questions

1. What is the intermediate level of the Panchayati Raj system called? **SRA023**
 (1) Gram Panchayat
 (2) Panchayat Samiti
 (3) Zila Parishad
 (4) Gram Sabha
2. Who elects the member of the Gram panchayat? **SRA024**
 (1) Gram Sabha
 (2) State government
 (3) Zila parishad
 (4) Panchayat samiti
3. What is the head of the Gram Panchayat called? **SRA025**
 (1) Patwari
 (2) Secretary
 (3) Sarpanch or Pradhan
 (4) Panchayat President
4. What is the main function of the Panchayat Secretary? **SRA026**
 (1) Conducting elections
 (2) Managing finances
 (3) Supervising construction
 (4) Calling meetings and maintaining records
5. What is the purpose of the Child-Friendly Panchayat initiative? **SRA027**
 (1) Promoting child labor
 (2) Educating adults
 (3) Allowing children to express opinions and concerns
 (4) Constructing schools
6. Which of the following is not mentioned as a topic covered in the Arthashastra? **SRA028**
 (1) How to conduct war
 (2) Duties of the ruler
 (3) Philosophy and religion
 (4) Economic prosperity
7. Which state has the Sangkhu Radhu Khandu Gram Panchayat that was declared child-friendly? **SRA029**
 (1) Rajasthan
 (2) Maharashtra
 (3) Sikkim
 (4) Gujarat
8. What is the 'Children's Parliament' in Rajasthan associated with? **SRA030**
 (1) Bal Panchayats
 (2) Barefoot college
 (3) Patwari Initiative
 (4) Zila Parishad
9. At which level does the Panchayati Raj system begin? **SRA031**
 (1) Block level
 (2) District level
 (3) Village level
 (4) State level
10. Who wrote the Arthashastra, an ancient text on governance? **SRA032**
 (1) Vatsyayana
 (2) Kautilya (Chankya)
 (3) Manu
 (4) Bhaskara

True or False

1. Zila Parishad is the topmost level in the Panchayati Raj System. **SRA033**
2. Each state follows the same Panchayati Raj structure. **SRA034**
3. Panchayats are a form of self-government in rural India. **SRA035**
4. Bal Panchayats have been successful in eliminating child labor in Maharashtra. **SRA036**
5. The Panchayat Samiti operates at the village level. **SRA037**

Fill in the blanks

1. The Panchayati Raj System works at three levels: village, block, and _____. **SRA038**
2. The officer responsible for maintaining land records in many villages is the _____. **SRA039**
3. The Child-Friendly Panchayat Initiative encourages participation of children in _____ and Bal Panchayats. **SRA040**
4. Panchayat Samiti serves as a link between Gram Panchayat and _____. **SRA041**
5. Reservation for women in Panchayati Raj Institutions is _____ percent. **SRA042**

Match the columns**SRA043****1.**

Column I		Column II	
(A)	Gram Panchayat	(i)	Highest level in the system
(B)	Panchayat Samiti	(ii)	Head of the Gram panchayat
(C)	Zila Parishad	(iii)	Closest to the rural people
(D)	Sarpanch	(iv)	Link between village and district
(E)	Patwari	(v)	Maintains land records

ANSWER KEY

Multiple choice questions

Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Answer	2	1	3	4	3	3	3	2	3	2

True or False

1. True
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. False

Fill in the blanks

1. District
2. Patwari
3. Bal Sabhas
4. Zila Parishad
5. 33

Match the columns

1. (A) → (iii) ; (B) → (iv) ; (C) → (i) ; (D) → (ii) ; (E) → (v)

EXERCISE-02

Very Short Answer Type Questions

1. What do you mean by Panchayati Raj System? **SRA044**
2. Who elects the members of a Gram Panchayat? **SRA045**
3. What is the role of the Sarpanch in a Gram Panchayat? **SRA046**

Short Answer Type Questions

4. Name two key achievements of Bal Panchayats in Maharashtra. **SRA047**
5. What is the intermediate level in the Panchayati Raj system, and what is its main function? **SRA048**
6. Who assists the Gram Panchayat in its administrative functions? **SRA049**

Long Answer Type Questions

7. Describe the process of electing a Sarpanch and explain the importance of the Gram Sabha in the Panchayati Raj system. **SRA050**
8. What steps have been taken to ensure the inclusion of disadvantaged sections, including women, in Panchayati Raj institutions. **SRA051**
9. Explain the difference in the structure and functioning of Panchayati Raj institutions across different states. Why do these differences exist? **SRA052**
10. Explain the three-tier structure of the Panchayati Raj system and describe the responsibilities of each level. **SRA053**



