

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN INDIA (With Special Reference to Punjab)

Paper - I

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 100

Note : Attempt *one* question each from Section A, B, C and D carrying 15 marks each. Section E is compulsory consisting of 10 short answer type questions carrying 4 marks each.

Section : A

1. 'Local Government is considered the nursery of Democracy'. Explain it.
2. Discuss the appointment, powers and functions and role of Deputy commissioner.

Section : B

3. Discuss the composition, functions and powers of Panchayat Samitis in Punjab.
4. Discuss the composition, functions and powers of Zila Parishads in Punjab.

Section : C

5. Discuss the main features of 74th Constitutional Amendment Act regarding Urban Local Bodies.
6. What are the various sources of finance of Municipalities in Punjab ? Also discuss various reasons for the lack of financial resources.

Section : D

7. Discuss the composition, functions and sources of income of a Municipal Corporation.
8. Discuss the composition, powers and functions of Finance Commission for Local Bodies in Punjab.

Section : E

9. Write short answer of the following :
 - (a) What is the difference between Local Government and Local Self-Government ?
 - (b) Write the main recommendations of Balwant Rai Mehta Committee Report.
 - (c) Write a short note on the concept of Panchayati Raj.
 - (d) Write down any four features of 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act.
 - (e) Write down the powers and functions of Sarpanch of a Gram Panchayat.