

HISTORY & CIVICS WORKSHEET
CLAS VI

TOPIC - RURAL LOCAL AND SELF-GOVERNMENT

Synopsis :

- A group of people living together in a place is called a **community**.
- **Need for local self government** : To make governance easy and more efficient, local self- governments have been formed.
- The local self governing bodies are of two kinds: Rural and Urban,
 - a) Panchayati Raj is the local self government body e that functions in rural areas.
 - b) The municipality is a local self government body that functions in urban areas.
- **Structure of Panchayati Raj system:** In ancient times villages in India settle disputes and other problems through a body called Panchayat. The word 'panchayat' means **assembly of five elders of panches**.
- The Panchayati Raj is a three tier system. It works at three levels-
 1. **The Gram Panchayat** at the village level which consists of three main bodies
 - a) **The Gram Sabha**
 - b) **The Gram Panchayat**
 - c) **The Nyaya Panchayat**
 2. **The Block Samiti** at the block level works as an essential link between the Gram Panchayat and the Zila Parishad. Members of a block Samiti are elected for a term of five years.
 3. **The District Level.** The **Zila Parishad** is highest body of the Panchayati Raj system. The Zila Parishad is responsible for the development of rural areas of the whole district state.
- **State Governments and Panchayati Raj:**
 - The state governments formulate rules and regulations regarding the functioning of the Panchayati Raj system.
 - In a country like us the role of Panchayati Raj system is very important. It addresses the problem and needs of the local people and helps to bring about a social change.

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1. **Answer these questions:**
 - a) What is a Community ?
 - b) Name the three levels of the Panchayati Raj system ?
 - c) What is a Gram Sabha ?

- d) What is a Block Samiti ?
- e) Give any two features of a Panchayat ?

2. Name the followings :

- a) caring for and breeding of animals on farm
- b) the act of governing
- c) it ensures that villagers get online access to government services
- d) the head of the gram panchayat
- e) it is a local self governing body at the village level

3. Explain the followings :

- a) Need for a local self-government.
- b) Composition of the Zila Parishad

4. Do the following exercises from the text book.

- a) Exercises A,B & C on page no.100