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V Semester B.S.W. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – O.B.E. – Regular/Supplementary/
Improvement) Examination, November 2024
(2019 to 2022 Admissions)
Core Course
5B10BSW : PANCHAYATHI RAJ SYSTEM

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

SECTION – A

Answer **any four** questions in **two or three** sentences. Each question carries **one** mark. (4×1 =4)

1. Public Participation in local governance.
2. Self-reliant villages in Gramswaraj.
3. Ripon Resolution of local self-government.
4. Women's representation in PRIs.
5. Sulekha in the context of Panchayathi Raj Institutions (PRIs).
6. The Biodiversity Act in relation to PESA.

SECTION – B

Answer **any four** of the following questions in **not** more than **50** words. Each question carries **two** marks. (4×2=8)

7. What is the significance of democratic decentralization in enhancing democratic practices ?
8. What are the benefits and challenges of public participation in the local governance ?

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9. How did the Panchayat system function during the Vedic era, and what role did it play in village administration ?
10. How has the inclusion of marginalized groups in Panchayathi Raj Institutions (PRIs) improved local governance ?
11. What are the key strategies for enhancing transparency and accountability in Panchayathi Raj Institutions (PRIs) operations ?
12. What is the significance of the Finance and Planning Committee at the Zila Parishad ?

SECTION – C

Answer **any four** of the following questions in **not more than 200 words**.

Each question carries **three** marks.

(4×3 =12)

13. Describe the philosophical foundations of Gandhi's vision of Gramswaraj and its emphasis on self-reliant and morally upright villages.
14. What were the key recommendations of the Balwantrai Mehta Committee in 1957 and the Ashok Mehta Committee in 1977 on Panchayathi Raj System ?
15. Explain the significance of the Twelfth Schedule added by the 74th Amendment and its focus on urban planning and development.
16. Describe the role of Block Panchayat (BP) in coordinating development projects across multiple Grama Panchayaths (GPs).
17. Explain the mandatory functions of Panchayathi Raj Institutions.
18. How does PESA contribute to the preservation of tribal cultural identity ?

SECTION – D

Answer **any two** questions in less than **800 words**. **Each** question carries **eight** marks.

(2×8 =16)

19. What are the core principles of democratic decentralization and how do these principles contribute to the empowerment of local governments ?
20. Assess the challenges faced by Panchayathi Raj Institutions post – 73rd and 74th Amendments and explain how Kudumbashree impacted local governance and public service delivery ?
21. Assess the significance of various committees at the Gram Panchayat level to the effective governance and development of rural areas.
22. Analyze the positive impacts of PESA on the empowerment of tribal communities. Evaluate how the preservation of cultural identity through PESA contributes to sustainable development in tribal areas ?