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**V Semester B.S.W. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – O.B.E. – Regular/Supplementary/
Improvement) Examination, November 2025
(2019 to 2023 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)

Write short notes on :

1. Democratic decentralization.
2. 73rd Constitutional Amendment.
3. Three tier Panchayathi Raj Institutions.
4. Grama Sabha.
5. PESA.
6. Functions of KILA.

SECTION – B

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

7. Mention any two key features of Gandhian ideology of gramaswaraj.
8. What was the main recommendations of the Balwant Rai Mehta Committee ?
9. Describe the role of the Mayor in a Municipal Corporation.

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10. Which are the standing committees in PRIs ?
11. Describe the main reason for the introduction of PESA Act.
12. Narrate the major sources of revenue for PRIs.

SECTION – C

Answer **any four** questions in **not** more than **200** words **each**. **Each** question carries **three** marks. (4×3=12)

13. What do you understand by the term 'governance' and explain its importance in a democratic society ?
14. Analyse the historical evolution of Panchayathi Raj in India.
15. Explain the functions of Gram Panchayath in the three tier Panchayathi Raj system.
16. What is the significance of direct and indirect elections in PRIs ?
17. Describe the functions of State level Advisory Committee.
18. Explain the major provisions of the PESA Act.

SECTION – D

Answer **any two** questions in less than **800** words. **Each** question carries **eight** marks. (2×8=16)

19. Explain the structure and functions of the three-tier Panchayathi Raj system in Kerala.
 20. Analyze the advantages and challenges of implementing democratic decentralization at the local level.
 21. Examine the role of Ward Sabhas and Gram Sabhas in promoting citizen participation in local planning.
 22. Critically examine how PESA strengthens self-governance among tribal communities in India.
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