

Q) What are the advantages and disadvantages of local self government in India?

- Some advantages of local self government -
- Problems at the local level can be resolved in a very large form and need not to be approached to state courts.
  - The people poses better ideas on spending the money because they have better knowledge of their localities.
  - It enables people to directly participate in decision making.
  - It helps to inculcate the habit of democratic population.

→ Some disadvantages of local self government -

- Unlike elections gram sabha aren't regularly held enthusiastically.
- Most of them don't have significant powers at the local level like the state government.
- Most of the local government don't have adequate resources.

Q2) What is Gram Sabha? Describe any four functions of Gram Sabha?

→ Gram Sabha is an non elected body of the panchayat raj which consist of the elders of the village and all men and women of the house for the purpose of decision making.

Some of the 4 functions of Gram Sabha are-

- To supervise the functioning of the gram panchayat and keep an eye on them.
- To solve family disputes and major problems of the village by discussion and analysis.
- To discuss the benefits as well as the loss that will be faced by the village before a new scheme (yojana) is imposed.
- It also approves the annual budget of the gram panchayat and review their performance.

Q3) Who is a Mayor?

→ A Mayor is an elected chairperson of a ~~municipal board~~ municipal corporation or the political head.