

(Q7) What makes elections in India democratic?

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\* In India, elections are conducted by an independent and very powerful election commission (EC).

\* Election commission (EC) is appointed by the president of India.

\* It enjoys the same kind of independence that the judiciary enjoys.

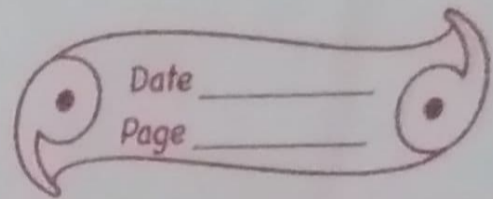
\* EC is not answerable to the president or the government.

\* It is virtually impossible to remove the EC.

\* EC takes decisions on every aspect of conduct and control of elections from the announcement of elections to the declaration of results.

\* It implements the code of conduct and punishes any candidate or party that violates it.

\* During the election period, the EC can order the Govt. to follow some guidelines to prevent use and misuse of Governmental power to enhance its chances to win elections, or to transfer some Governmental officials.



\* When on elections duty, govt-officers work under the control of the EC and not the Govt.