

Q2. What makes elections in India democratic?

Elections in India is democratic

because of the following:-

- In our country, elections are conducted by an independent and very powerful

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Election Commission (EC). It enjoys the same kind of independence as the judiciary enjoys.

The Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) is appointed by the President of India. After appointed, CEC is not answerable to the President or the govt.

Powers enjoyed by the Election Commission

- (i) It takes decision on every aspect of conduct and control of elections from the announcement of elections to the declaration of results.
- (ii) It implements the code of conduct and punishes any candidate / party that violates it.
- (iii) 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 govt. officials.
- (iv) When on election duty, govt. officers work under the control of the EC and not the govt.