

Q) Explain two achievements and two difficulties of local self govt. in India.

i) Constitutional status for local govt. has helped to deepen democracy in our country.

ii) It has also increased women's representation and voice in our democracy.

iii) While elections are held regularly and enthusiastically, gram sabhas are not held regularly.

iv) Most state govts. have not transferred significant powers to the local govt. Nor have they given adequate resources.

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

Gram Sabha is the group of elderly people who live in the area covered by a Panchayat.

Functions:-

- i) It ~~elects~~ elects the members of the Gram Panchayat.
- ii) It supervises the work of the Gram Panchayat.
- iii) It approves the annual budget of the Panchayat.
- iv) It reviews the performance of the Gram Panchayat.

Q) Who is a Mayor?
Political head of Municipal Corporation is known as Mayor.