

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

Two achievements of local self government are:

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

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

Two difficulties of local self government are:

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

(ii) Most state governments have not transferred significant powers to the local governments. Nor have they given adequate resources.



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

Gram Sabha includes all the adult citizens voters of the village.

It is empowered to support or topple down the Gram Panchayat body.

The four functions of Gram Sabha are:

- (i) It 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?

The chairperson of a municipal corporation is called a Mayor.