

Class VI - Social Science

Exploring Society India and Beyond

Grassroots Democracy — Part 3: Local Government 173 in Urban Areas

# CBSE NOTES

## Grassroots Democracy — Part 3: Local Government 173 in Urban Areas - Challenge Worksheet

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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

## 1. Evaluate the impact of decentralization on the effectiveness of urban local bodies in managing city resources.

**Hint:** Consider both positive outcomes and potential drawbacks of decentralization.

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## 2. Analyze how diverse communities in a city like Mumbai influence urban local governance.

**Hint:** Think about cultural, social, and economic factors that may affect this interaction.

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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

### 3. Discuss the responsibilities of citizens in ensuring the effective functioning of urban local bodies.

**Hint:** Consider actions like reporting issues and participation in community meetings.

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### 4. Compare and contrast the governance structure of a Municipal Corporation with that of a Nagar Panchayat, focusing on their roles and challenges.

**Hint:** Focus on differences in resources and decision-making capabilities.

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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

## 5. Evaluate the role of urban local bodies in disaster management compared to their rural counterparts.

**Hint:** Consider how urban infrastructure and population density change response strategies.

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## 6. Investigate the effects of local taxation on community development and resource allocation in urban areas.

**Hint:** Look at case studies of cities that have effectively used local taxes and those that haven't.

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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

## 7. Assess the influence of government schemes on the functioning of urban local bodies and citizen satisfaction.

**Hint:** Consider citizen feedback on schemes like Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

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## 8. Critique the effectiveness of ward committees in addressing local issues within urban settings.

**Hint:** Think about the level of citizen engagement and transparency in these committees.

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Solve the following questions. Write your answers in the space provided.

## 9. Formulate a proposal for improving citizen engagement in the governance process of urban local bodies.

**Hint:** Consider methods utilized in other cities globally that have been effective.

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## 10. Debate the responsibility of urban local bodies in managing pollution and environmental sustainability.

**Hint:** Think about both the success and the public's role in environmental governance.

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Check your answers with the solutions below.

## 1. Evaluate the impact of decentralization on the effectiveness of urban local bodies in managing city resources.

**Solution:** Discuss the role of citizen participation and accountability in decentralization, using examples from real cities.

## 2. Analyze how diverse communities in a city like Mumbai influence urban local governance.

**Solution:** Examine specific community initiatives and their engagements with local bodies, providing both success stories and challenges.

## 3. Discuss the responsibilities of citizens in ensuring the effective functioning of urban local bodies.

**Solution:** Identify specific citizen-led initiatives that contribute to governance and public services, discussing their impact.

## 4. Compare and contrast the governance structure of a Municipal Corporation with that of a Nagar Panchayat, focusing on their roles and challenges.

**Solution:** Provide examples from different states, discussing how size and demographics influence their functions.

## 5. Evaluate the role of urban local bodies in disaster management compared to their rural counterparts.

**Solution:** Discuss case studies of urban disasters and the response effectiveness of local governance structures.



Check your answers with the solutions below.

## 6. Investigate the effects of local taxation on community development and resource allocation in urban areas.

**Solution:** Analyze how taxes collected by urban local bodies are used, discussing both positive and negative outcomes.

## 7. Assess the influence of government schemes on the functioning of urban local bodies and citizen satisfaction.

**Solution:** Evaluate how different schemes are implemented locally and their real-world implications for citizens.

## 8. Critique the effectiveness of ward committees in addressing local issues within urban settings.

**Solution:** Discuss specific instances where ward committees have succeeded or failed, analyzing the factors behind these outcomes.

## 9. Formulate a proposal for improving citizen engagement in the governance process of urban local bodies.

**Solution:** Discuss potential strategies, barriers, and anticipated outcomes of increased engagement.

## 10. Debate the responsibility of urban local bodies in managing pollution and environmental sustainability.

**Solution:** Explore various initiatives urban local bodies have undertaken, discussing their effectiveness and community responses.



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