

**CHAPTER-11 | Grassroots Democracy – Part 2
Local Government in Rural Areas****QUIZ-01**

1. What is the head of a Gram Panchayat called?

- A. Patwari B. Secretary
C. Sarpanch D. MLA (C)

Explanation: The elected head of the Gram Panchayat is known as the Sarpanch or Pradhan, chosen by the Gram Sabha.

2. How many levels are there in the Panchayati Raj system?

- A. One B. Two
C. Three D. Four (C)

Explanation: The Panchayati Raj system has a three-tier structure — Village (Gram Panchayat), Block (Panchayat Samiti), and District (Zila Parishad).

3. Who maintains land records in many rural areas?

- A. Sarpanch B. MLA
C. Patwari D. Collector (C)

Explanation: The Patwari is responsible for maintaining land records and maps in rural areas.

4. What is the main function of the Panchayat Samiti?

- A. To collect taxes B. To enforce laws
C. To coordinate development plans of Gram Panchayats
D. To conduct national elections (C)

Explanation: The Panchayat Samiti acts as a link between Gram Panchayats and Zila Parishads by coordinating development plans.

5. What is the name of the initiative where children participate in Panchayat activities?

- A. Junior Sabha B. Young Gram Sabha
C. Child-Friendly Panchayat D. Bal Sangh (C)

Explanation: The Child-Friendly Panchayat initiative encourages children to participate through Bal Sabhas and Bal Panchayats.

6. What award did the Children's Parliament receive in 2001?

- A. Padma Shri B. Bharat Ratna
C. National Democracy Award
D. World's Children's Honorary Award (D)

Explanation: The Children's Parliament in Rajasthan was recognized with the World's Children's Honorary Award for its efforts in community development.

7. What does the Sarpanch of Hiware Bazar promote to combat drought?

- A. Mining projects
B. Rainwater harvesting and tree planting
C. Industrial development
D. Road construction (B)

Explanation: Popatrao Pawar implemented rainwater harvesting, watershed conservation, and massive tree planting to transform Hiware Bazar.

8. Who elects the members of a Gram Panchayat?

- A. District officials B. State legislature
C. Gram Sabha D. Patwari (C)

Explanation: The Gram Sabha, which includes all adult villagers enrolled as voters, elects the members of the Gram Panchayat.

9. What is one-third of the Panchayati Raj seats reserved for?

- A. Farmers B. Women
C. Elderly D. Children (B)

Explanation: One-third of all seats at every level in the Panchayati Raj system are reserved for women.

10. What is the role of the Panchayat Secretary?

- A. Enforces laws B. Teaches in school
C. Calls meetings and keeps records
D. Maintains water supply (C)

Explanation: The Panchayat Secretary assists the Gram Panchayat by organizing meetings and maintaining official records.