

Chapter 18 Municipalities

Instructions: Each question has four options, choose the correct answer.

1. Which Constitutional Amendment introduced the provisions for Municipalities in India?

- (a) 73rd Amendment
- (b) 74th Amendment
- (c) 75th Amendment
- (d) 76th Amendment

Answer: (b) 74th Amendment

2. The 74th Constitutional Amendment Act was passed in which year?

- (a) 1991
- (b) 1992
- (c) 1993
- (d) 1994

Answer: (b) 1992

3. Which Part of the Constitution deals with Municipalities?

- (a) Part IX
- (b) Part IXA
- (c) Part X
- (d) Part XI

Answer: (b) Part IXA

4. Which Schedule of the Constitution contains the list of Municipal functions?

- (a) 10th Schedule
- (b) 11th Schedule
- (c) 12th Schedule
- (d) 13th Schedule

Answer: (c) 12th Schedule

5. How many types of Municipalities are provided under the 74th Amendment?

- (a) Two
- (b) Three
- (c) Four
- (d) Five

Answer: (b) Three

6. Which of the following is NOT a type of Municipality under the 74th Amendment?

- (a) Nagar Panchayat
- (b) Municipal Council
- (c) Municipal Corporation
- (d) Zila Parishad

Answer: (d) Zila Parishad

7. A Nagar Panchayat is constituted for:

- (a) Large urban areas
- (b) Small urban areas
- (c) Transitional areas (rural to urban)
- (d) Industrial townships

Answer: (c) Transitional areas (rural to urban)

8. A Municipal Corporation is constituted for:

- (a) Smaller urban area
- (b) Larger urban area
- (c) Transitional area
- (d) Industrial area

Answer: (b) Larger urban area

9. The minimum population required for constituting a Municipal Corporation is generally:

- (a) 1 lakh
- (b) 3 lakhs
- (c) 5 lakhs

(d) 10 lakhs

Answer: (b) 3 lakhs

10. Which of the following Articles provides for constitution of Municipalities?

(a) Article 243Q

(b) Article 243R

(c) Article 243S

(d) Article 243T

Answer: (a) Article 243Q

11. The members of a Municipality are called:

(a) Councillors

(b) Corporators

(c) Members

(d) Ward Members

Answer: (a) Councillors

12. The head of a Municipal Corporation is called:

(a) Mayor

(b) Chairman

(c) President

(d) Municipal Commissioner

Answer: (a) Mayor

13. The executive head of a Municipal Corporation is:

(a) Mayor

(b) Deputy Mayor

(c) Municipal Commissioner

(d) Standing Committee Chairman

Answer: (c) Municipal Commissioner

14. How often should elections to Municipalities be held?

(a) Every 3 years

(b) Every 4 years

(c) Every 5 years

(d) Every 6 years

Answer: (c) Every 5 years

15. Which Article provides for reservation of seats for SC/ST in Municipalities?

(a) Article 243T

(b) Article 243U

(c) Article 243V

(d) Article 243W

Answer: (a) Article 243T

16. What percentage of seats are reserved for women in Municipalities?

(a) 25%

(b) 33%

(c) 50%

(d) 66%

Answer: (b) 33%

17. The State Finance Commission is constituted under which Article?

(a) Article 243I

(b) Article 243Y

(c) Article 243Z

(d) Article 280

Answer: (b) Article 243Y

18. The term of a Municipality can be extended for how long in case of emergency?

(a) 6 months

(b) 1 year

(c) 2 years

(d) Cannot be extended

Answer: (b) 1 year

19. Which of the following is a compulsory function of Municipalities?

- (a) Urban planning
- (b) Slum improvement
- (c) Public health
- (d) All of the above

Answer: (d) All of the above

20. The 74th Amendment is NOT applicable to:

- (a) Delhi
- (b) Scheduled Areas
- (c) Union Territories
- (d) Jammu and Kashmir (before 2019)

Answer: (b) Scheduled Areas

21. The Ward Committees are constituted for:

- (a) Entire Municipal area
- (b) Each Ward
- (c) Groups of Wards
- (d) Only in Municipal Corporations

Answer: (c) Groups of Wards

22. Which committee recommended the 74th Constitutional Amendment?

- (a) Balwantrai Mehta Committee
- (b) Ashok Mehta Committee
- (c) P.K. Thungon Committee
- (d) S.M. Hashim Committee

Answer: (c) P.K. Thungon Committee

23. The Mayor of a Municipal Corporation is generally elected by:

- (a) Direct election by people
- (b) Councillors from among themselves
- (c) State Government
- (d) Governor

Answer: (b) Councillors from among themselves

24. The financial powers of Municipalities include:

- (a) Imposing taxes
- (b) Levying fees
- (c) Both (a) and (b)
- (d) Neither (a) nor (b)

Answer: (c) Both (a) and (b)

25. Which of the following is a source of revenue for Municipalities?

- (a) Property tax
- (b) Professional tax
- (c) Grants from State Government
- (d) All of the above

Answer: (d) All of the above

26. The District Planning Committee is constituted under:

- (a) Article 243ZD
- (b) Article 243ZE
- (c) Article 243ZF
- (d) Article 243ZG

Answer: (a) Article 243ZD

27. The Metropolitan Planning Committee is constituted under:

- (a) Article 243ZE
- (b) Article 243ZF
- (c) Article 243ZG
- (d) Article 243ZH

Answer: (a) Article 243ZE

28. Which of the following is true about Municipal Commissioner?

- (a) Elected by people

- (b) Appointed by State Government
- (c) Appointed by Mayor
- (d) Elected by Councillors

Answer: (b) Appointed by State Government

29. The 74th Amendment came into force on:

- (a) 1st June 1993
- (b) 1st April 1993
- (c) 1st June 1994
- (d) 1st April 1994

Answer: (a) 1st June 1993

30. Which Article provides for constitution of State Election Commission for Municipalities?

- (a) Article 243K
- (b) Article 243ZA
- (c) Article 243ZB
- (d) Article 243ZC

Answer: (b) Article 243ZA

31. The quorum for a meeting of Municipality is:

- (a) One-third of total members
- (b) One-half of total members
- (c) Two-thirds of total members
- (d) As prescribed by State Law

Answer: (d) As prescribed by State Law

32. Who conducts elections to Municipalities?

- (a) State Election Commission
- (b) Election Commission of India
- (c) State Government
- (d) District Magistrate

Answer: (a) State Election Commission

33. The first Municipal Corporation in India was established in:

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Kolkata
- (c) Chennai
- (d) Delhi

Answer: (c) Chennai (Madras, 1688)

34. Which of the following is an optional function of Municipalities?

- (a) Water supply
- (b) Public parks and gardens
- (c) Urban forestry
- (d) All of the above

Answer: (d) All of the above

35. The minimum age for contesting Municipal elections is:

- (a) 18 years
- (b) 21 years
- (c) 25 years
- (d) 30 years

Answer: (b) 21 years

36. Which Article provides for audit of Municipal accounts?

- (a) Article 243J
- (b) Article 243Z
- (c) Both (a) and (b)
- (d) Neither (a) nor (b)

Answer: (b) Article 243Z

37. The 74th Amendment added how many Articles to the Constitution?

- (a) 12 Articles (243P to 243ZG)
- (b) 14 Articles (243P to 243ZG)
- (c) 16 Articles (243P to 243ZG)

(d) 18 Articles (243P to 243ZG)

Answer: (c) 16 Articles (243P to 243ZG)

38. Which city has the largest Municipal Corporation in India?

(a) Mumbai

(b) Delhi

(c) Kolkata

(d) Bengaluru

Answer: (b) Delhi

39. The Cantonment Boards are administered by:

(a) State Government

(b) Ministry of Defence

(c) Municipal Corporation

(d) Central Government

Answer: (b) Ministry of Defence

40. Which of the following is NOT a characteristic of 74th Amendment?

(a) Three-tier system

(b) Fixed five-year term

(c) Reservation for women

(d) Direct control by State Government

Answer: (d) Direct control by State Government

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