

H.P. BOARD OF DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION

(Other Gazetted Officer)

October, 2015

Paper No. 5

Rural Development Department

Time Allowed: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

- Note:
- Attempt any five questions.
 - All questions carry equal marks.
 - Bare Act & Rules can be consulted.

- Q. No. 1 What are the main characteristics of 73rd & 74th Constitutional Amendment Act? How far these Amendments have benefited the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) in the State? Give your suggestions to make the PRIs as institutions of local self governance in the State. (20 Marks)
- Q.No.2. What are the existing sources of income of the Gram Panchayats? Describe the procedure for levying taxes and fees by the Gram Panchayat. Give your suggestions to improve the financial positions of Gram Panchayats. (20 Marks)
- Q.No.3. Describe the process and procedure for conducting of business of Panchayat Smiti. What are the roles and responsibilities of Chairperson of Panchayat Smiti & Block Development Officer while conducting business of Gram Panchayats? (20 Marks)
- Q. No. 4. What is the importance of Gram Sabha in the present context? What are the major bottlenecks coming in conducting of Gram Sabha meetings and how these bottlenecks can be removed to ensure proper functioning of Gram Sabhas? (20 Marks)
- Q.No.5. How the Cooperative Societies can be registered? What are their roles & responsibilities? Have these societies succeeded in uplifting the socio-economic conditions of common masses in the State? Comment. (20 Marks)
- Q.No. 6. How the works under different schemes can be executed at the Gram Panchayat level? Describe the procedure as per H.P. Panchayati Raj Public Works Rules and latest Guidelines / Instructions of the Department. (20 Marks)
- Q.No. 7. Write short note on any four of the following: (4x5=20 Marks)
- Conduct of Election of PRIs
 - 14th Finance Commission
 - Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY)
 - Up Gram Sabha
 - Convergence of Schemes
 - Canons of Financial Propriety
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