

H.P. BOARD OF DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION

(Other Gazetted Officer)

April, 2014

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 key mandatory provisions of 73rd & 74th Constitutional Amendment Act? Explain. How far discretionary provisions are significant in making the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) institution of local self governance?

(20 Marks)

Q.No.2. How collection of taxes, fees, cess and fines can be undertaken by the Gram Panchayat? Can Gram Panchayat borrow money from Financial Institutions? If yes, describe the procedure.

(20 Marks)

Q.No.3. What are the powers and functions of Gram Sabha and How many General Meetings of Gram Sabha can take place in a year and what is the quorum of Gram Sabha Meetings as per H.P. Panchayati Raj Act.1994? What do you suggest to make the Gram Sabha meetings more effective in the State.

(20 Marks)

Q. No. 4. Describe the process and procedure for conducting of business of Panchayat Smiti and Zila Parishad. What are the roles and responsibilities of BDO and Distt Panchayat Officer while conducting business of these Panchayats.

(20 Marks)

Q.No.5. a) How the role of Cooperative Societies is important for improvement of socio economic conditions of the people in rural areas of the State? Elaborate.

(10 Marks)

b) The Community Based Organizations (CBOs) like Mahila Mandals and Yuvak Mandals in the State may facilitate the Govt. Departments / PRIs for effective implementation of development schemes. Comment.

(10 Marks)

Q.No. 6. What are the canons of Financial Propriety for incurring expenditure by Panchayats and how the control over expenditure can be exercised by the Panchayats? Who are the competent authorities for incurring of various expenditure in respect of Gram Panchayats? Discuss briefly.

(20 Marks)

Q.No. 7. Write short note on any four of the following:

- Audit of Gram Panchayat
- No Confidence Motion against Pradhan of Gram Panchayat.
- State Election Commission.
- Panchayat Fund
- 14th Finance Commission.
- Vigilance Committees

(4x5=20 Marks)

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