



## LESSON – 20

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### SOLUTIONS:

##### EXERCISES:

1. Answer the following questions in a word or a sentence:

(a) Who is a patwari?

**Ans:** A patwari is a person who maintains land records of the village.

(b) What is a Municipal Corporation?

**Ans:** A Municipal Corporation is a local administrative body in metropolitan cities or big cities.

(c) Who elects a pradhan?

**Ans:** The gram sabha which consists of all the voters in a village elects a pradhan.

2. Answer the following questions in about 30/40 words each:

(a) Why a copy of land record is necessary for the farmers?

**Ans:** Farmers require a copy of their land record because it is necessary when a farmer wants to buy a plot of land from another, to sell his product to another, a loan from the bank, to purchase fertilizers for his field, to divide his property among his children.

(b) State the functions of a patwari of a village.

**Ans:** A patwari maintains land records of the village. He collects revenues also by measuring the lands. He also updates land records.

**(c) What are the sources of revenue of a Municipal Council?**

**Ans:** The sources of revenue of a Municipal Council are as follows:

- (i) Property tax, tax on business and profession, vehicle and water tax
- (ii) Annual financial grant from the state government
- (iii) Octroi tax.

(\*Note: **Octroi** is a **tax** levied by a state government on inward goods in all cities in that state coming from both within and outside state. Whereas entry **tax** is levied on inward goods coming from any other state.)

**(d) If there is a change in the boundary band of agricultural fields how can it be justified?**

**Ans:** In such a case, the patwari should be consulted and the existing position of the field will be compared with the area recorded in the land records.

**3. Choose the correct answer:**

- (i) Which of the following determines the strength of a Municipal Corporation?
  - A. Literacy
  - B. Size of population
  - C. Area
  - D. Volume of works
- (ii) Which of the following is NOT a function of the Imphal Municipal Council?
  - A. Supply of drinking water
  - B. Electricity
  - C. Registration of births and deaths
  - D. Supply of petrol and diesel
- (iii) When was Hindu succession Amendment Act passed?
  - A. 2004
  - B. 2005
  - C. 2006
  - D. 2007

**Answers:** (i) – B. Size of population, (ii) – D. Supply of petrol and diesel, (iii) – B. 2005

**4. Match the following:**

(a) The patwari is also responsible for

**1. the work of the patwaris**

(b) The tehsildars hear disputes and

supervise  
committees

**2. the functions of the small town**

(c) The functions of the Municipal Councils

are similar with  
cities

**3. came and settled in metropolitan**

(d) Many people speaking different languages  
revenue

**4. organising the collection of land**

**Answers:** (a) – 4, (b) – 1, (c) – 2, (d) – 3



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