

**1. DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS OF PANCHAYATI RAJ INSTITUTIONS IN ODISHA AND SUGGEST SOME MEASURES TO DEAL WITH THEM.**

There are diverse and huge problems in the functioning and the working pattern of the Panchayati Raj System which the panchayati Raj institutions are facing today.

Existence of multiple agent of implementation has grossly undermined the importance of the PRIs.

Inadequate financial resources to carry out the administration is a serious problem. Only the grant-in-aid is the major component of the PRI revenue. The government is the major component of PRI revenue. Incompatible relations among three tiers, undemocratic composition of various PR institutions, political bias and un-cordial relation between official and public are some other problems of PRIs in Odisha.

**Suggestions:**

The government should take to spread education rapidly.

Government should change its hegemonic attitude towards local bodies.

Better office organization and methods for the functioning of PRIs.

The local bodies should have adequate finance at their disposal to take up manifold developmental activities.

Local bodies should be free from nasty politics.

Overall, public life should be free from corruption and people and leaders should possess a high moral standard. The leadership at panchayat level should be 'development oriented' not 'power-motivated'.



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