

**1. WRITE ON THE MAJOR RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SECOND ARC ON LOCAL GOVERNANCE?**

**Ans:** Second Administrative Reforms Commission (ARC) has gone in detail about improving the situation of PRIs and ULBs. In its sixth report titled –Local Governancell, second ARC has made several recommendations in this regard. Following are the important recommendations of the second ARC

- a. Principle of Subsidiary must be adhered while devolving the powers to PRIs/ULBs
- b. Members of Parliament and State Legislatures should not become members of local bodies.
- c. The ARC recommended for entrustment of more powers on the State Election Commission.
- d. In case of urban local bodies, in addition to the functions listed in the Twelfth Schedule, the following should be devolved to urban local bodies-
- e. School education
- f. Public health, including community health centres/area hospitals
- g. Traffic management and civic policing activities.
- h. Urban environment management and heritage and
- i. Land management, including registration.

These, however, are only illustrative additional functions and more such functions could be devolved to urban local bodies by the respective states.



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