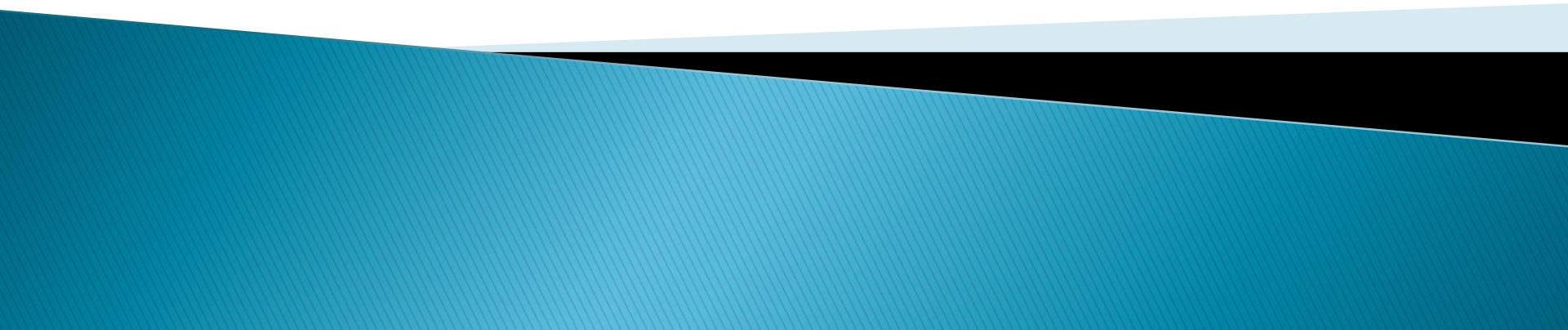


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INTRODUCTION

The Zila Panchayat or District Council or Zila Parishad or District Panchayat , is the third tier of the Panchayati Raj system. Zila Parishad is an elected body. Block Pramukh of Block Panchayat are also represented in Zila Parishad. The members of the State Legislature and the members of the Parliament of India are members of the Zila Parishad.

Zila Parishad are Panchayat at Apex or District Level in Panchayat Raj Institutions

The 73rd Amendment is about Governments' (which are also known as Panchayati Raj Institutions

Panchayat at District (or apex) Level

Panchayat at Intermediate Level

Panchayat at Base Level



ZILA PANCHAYAT It is one of the important units of Panchayat raj system at the district level. A member for every 40000 people is elected for Zila Panchayat but in case of Malnad, hilly areas one member is elected for 30000 people. In addition the members of “Lok Sabha” and “Rajya Sabha” who represent the district and the member of legislature are the member of Zila Panchayat. Gram Panchayat presidents are also its member

ZILA PARISHAD COMPOSITION

Article–243C. Composition of Panchayats

Election & Term The Chairperson of Zila Parishad is elected among its own members. • Composition:


1. Pradhans/Chairmen of the Panchayat Samiti within the district
 2. BDOs, MPs, MLAs of that district
 3. One representative from each of the cooperative societies of the district
- Term 5 years. In the case of dissolution election would be compulsorily held within six months.

ARTICLE-243B. CONSTITUTION OF PANCHAYATS.-

(1) There shall be constituted in every State, Panchayat at the village, intermediate and district levels in accordance with the provisions of this Part.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in clause (1), Panchayat at the intermediate level may not be constituted in a State having a population not exceeding twenty lakhs

Every Zila Parishad consists of the following members:

- (i) Pradhans of Panchayat Samities in the District:
 - (ii) members of the Rajya Sabha residing in the District;
 - (iii) members of the Lok Sabha elected from a Constituency which forms part of the District.
 - (iv) members of the Legislative Assembly elected from the District;
 - (v) the above ex-officio members co-opt unto two women a person belonging to that scheduled caste and a person belonging to the schedule tribes. Besides the above members the District Development Officer, viz. the Collector of the District, is a member. He has a right to speak at the meetings but he has no right to vote. There are some other associate members also, who have right to speak but cannot vote.
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The District Development Officer and the associate members do not take any part in electing the Pramukh of the Zila Parishad, who is elected by an electoral college consisting of

(i) Pradhans of all Panchayat Samities,

(ii) members of the Rajya Sabha residing in the District.

(iii) members of the Lok Sabha elected from a Constituency forming part of the District.

(iv) members of the Legislative Assembly elected from a Constituency forming part of the District.

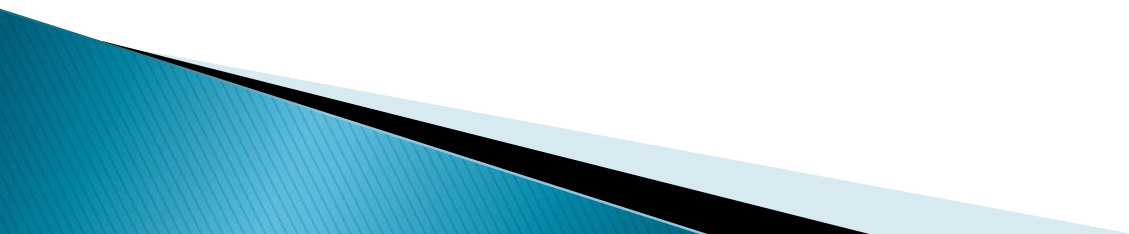
(v) members of the Panchayat Samiti, who have a right to vote at its meetings.



ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

The chief executive officer (CEO), who is an IAS or a state civil service officer, heads the administrative machinery of the Zila Parishad. He may also be district magistrate in some states. The CEO supervises the divisions of the Parishad and executes its development schemes.

The District Development Officer . the Collector is a member of the Zila Parishad, who has a right to speak at its meetings but has no right to vote.



FUNCTIONS

Provide essential services and facilities to the rural population and the planning and execution of the development programmes for the district.

Supply improved seeds to farmers. Inform them of new techniques of training. Undertake construction of small-scale irrigation projects and percolation tanks. Maintain pastures and grazing lands.

Set up and run schools in villages. Execute programmes for adult literacy. Run libraries.

Start Primary Health Centers and hospitals in villages. Start vaccination drives against epidemics and family welfare campaigns.

Construct bridges and roads wherever needed

Execute plans for the development of the scheduled castes and tribes. Run ashrams Halas for adivasi children. Set up free hostels for scheduled caste students.

Encourage entrepreneurs to start small-scale industries like cottage industries, handicraft, agriculture produce processing mills, dairy farms, etc. Implement rural employment schemes.

They even supply work for the poor and needy people

POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

Under Section 100 of the Zila Parishad and Panchayat Samiti Act, 1961, it shall be the duty of the Zila Parishad so far as the district fund at its disposal will allow, to make regional provision within the district with respect to all or any of the subjects enumerated in the first schedule as amended from time to time under subsection (2) (in the act referred to as 'district list'), and to execute or maintain works of developmental schemes in the district relating to any such subjects.

SOURCES OF INCOME

Taxes on water, pilgrimage, markets, etc.

Fixed grant from the State Government in proportion with the land revenue and money for works and schemes assigned to the Parishad.

The Zila Parishad can collect some money from the Panchayat with the approval of the government.

It gets a share from the income from local taxes

RESERVATION:

- Seats will be reserved for SC/ST • This is in proportion to their population.
 - 1 /3rd seats reserved for women. In some states its 50%.
- Zila Parishad Reservations

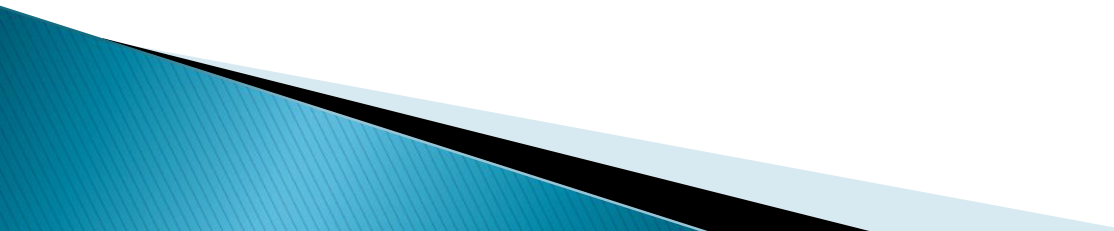
The seats are reserved for the Scheduled castes, Scheduled tribes, women and backward classes not only for contesting in the elections but also for the office of the Adhyaksha and Upadhyaksha.

ZILA PANCHAYAT ADMINISTRATIVE SETUP

The Government appoints the Chief Executive Officer to carry out administration of Zila Panchayat and also appoints Chief Accounts Officer, Chief Planning Officer and one Deputy Secretary who work directly under the Chief Executive Officer and assist him/her, at the Taluk Level. The Executive Officers help CEO in implementing the Taluk Level Programmes

FUNCTIONS OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)

The official set of functionaries is headed by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) who is not below the rank of the Deputy Commissioner of a district³⁰. If a suitable officer not below the rank of the DC of a district is not available for appointment as CEO of the Zila Panchayat, the Government may for a period of three years from the date of commencement of the Karnataka Panchayat Raj (Amendment) Act, 1998 appoint an Officer of the Karnataka Administrative Service (Selection Grade) or an Officer belonging to the Development and Local Government Branch of the Karnataka General Services, holding a post in a Grade Structure and Functions of Zila Panchayat

- (a) Exercise all the power specially, imposed or conferred upon him by or under the Act or under any other law for the time being in force
 - (b) Control the officers and official of, or holding office under, the Zila Panchayat subject to the general superintendence and control of the Adhyaksha and such rules as may be prescribed;
 - (c) Supervise and control the execution of all works of the Zila Panchayat;
 - (d) Take necessary measures for the speedy execution of all works and developmental schemes of the Zila Panchayat;
 - (e) Have custody of all papers and documents connected with the proceedings of the meetings of the Zila Panchayat and its committees;
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- (f) draw and disburse monies out of the Zila Panchayat Fund;
 - (g) Exercise such other powers and discharge such other functions as may be prescribed; and
 - (h) The Chief Executive Officer shall attend meeting of the Zila Panchayat and shall have right to attend the meeting of any committee thereof and to take part in the discussion but shall not have right to move any resolution or to vote
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