

Q 12. For effective justice delivery system, now Indian judicial system needs several reforms. Critically Comment 250 words

Judiciary plays important role of justice delivery, checks and balances in Indian governance system. However, like any other system, it is also not perfect. and faces issues.

## Issues in Judicial System

### ① Judicial Accountability:

- Appointment of judges through collegium system lacks transparency.
- In-house panel for inquiry (corruption, harassment)
- Judges judging themselves.
- Complex removal process.

### ② Transparency:

- RTI rules are not applicable to High courts and supreme courts. Their rules have several lacunae.

③ Pendency of cases - ~ 4 crore cases (Economic Survey 2018-19)  
- about 50 lakhs cases (> 10 years)

④ Vacancy of Judges in high courts,  
and subordinate courts (~ 5500)

⑤ Suboptimal performance of subordinate  
courts (~ 87% cases pending there)

⑥ Fast track courts and tribunals (though working good) face issue of funds, over-reliance

⑦ Shoddy criminal justice system including prisons poor condition in country.

## Reforms

① NJAC - National Judicial Appointment Commission with executive role in appointment, inquiry, and removal.

② Executive-Judiciary cooperation in filling up vacancies - MoU between GoI & Supreme Court.  
- All Indian Judicial Service

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Discussions

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## ③ Pendency of cases -

- Case management system, e-courts

- Innovations like plea-bargaining

- Encouraging ADR - Arbitration, Negotiation, Lok Adalat, Mediation etc.

- Gram Nyayalaya.

## ④ Funds, Infrastructure for new courts

[India spends only 0.09% of GDP on judicial system]

## ⑤ Improve criminal justice system (Malimath Committee)

## ⑥ Need for Prison Reforms (law commission recommendations)

## ⑦ Encourage more para-legals, prosecutors to serve for legal-aid to poor (Article 39A)

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You can  
stop it  
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Hence, a reformed judiciary can respond to changing times and bring social, political, economical justice to people.

judicial  
reform

and

Technology

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Recent development of

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Good after

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Content

Combination

Q13. "Using criminal spyware is not only a mere violation of part III rights but also a serious blow to separation of powers, freedom of press, expression of dissent and fearlessness of lawyers in courts". comment 250 words

Report of Pegasus Software was used for spying

off activist, journalist, political leaders. It has put question on powers and roles of governments.

### Impact of use of criminal Spywares

How Criminal Spywares done

- Snooping (Pegasus)
- phone tapping
- cyber attacks to steal data.

Surveillance of private information and private life.

Impact

#### ① Freedom of speech & expression

- Would deter peaceful protests which is against government interest.
- wrong conviction of leaders.

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- ~~Advantages~~
- Curtails freedom of press
  - ② Dissenting voices would be suppressed through application of ISA, UAPA
  - ③ Activists, whistleblowers would be frightened with sensitive information.
  - ④ These information if put in public domain then it would attract media trials, public intrusion in someone's personal lives, threats of lives etc.
  - ⑤ Arbitrary power and authoritarianism of government  
Add - Puttaroshni judgment

What needs to be done?

→ Bringing privacy laws based on SN Subramanian report for data privacy.

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→ surveillance for unlawful activities should be done by following procedure established by law.

Use of spyware for safety, security of state needs to be balanced by rights of privacy of individuals. Laws should be brought to implement to check its arbitrary use.

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relevant to Geller Model.

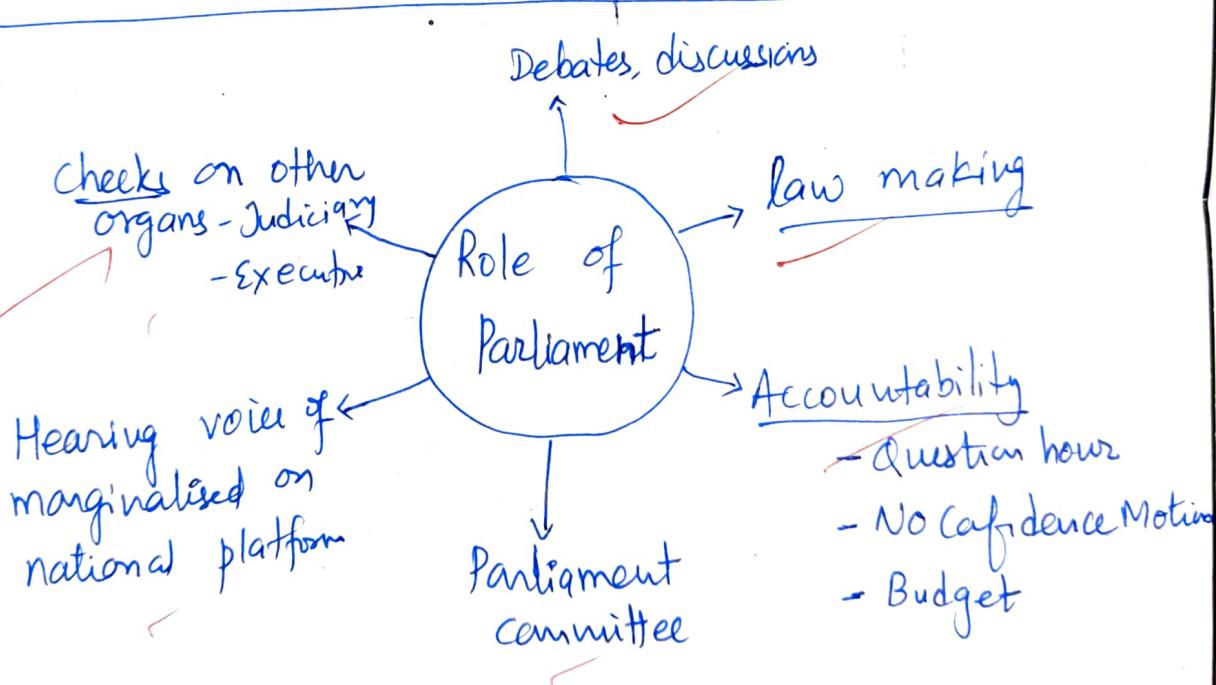
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Q14. In representative parliamentary democracy, parliament is at the Centre of democratic process in the country. In the light of above statement critically analyze efficiency of parliament functioning in recent past. 250 words

In 18<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha, around 30% time for question hour was lost. While in ongoing Lok Sabha, question hours were suspended due to COVID-19 pandemic.



## Recent functioning

- ① Loss of time due to disruptions  
- lack of debates & discussions.

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## ② Neglect of Parliamentary Committee

- less than 20% of bills referred in 16<sup>th</sup> LS (while 75% in 15<sup>th</sup> LS)

## ③ Increased number of bills through ordinance route to escape parliamentary scrutiny.

## ④ Increasing criminalisation of politics

- 43% of MPs have criminal records in (17<sup>th</sup> LS - ADR).

## ⑤ Partial role of speaker alleged by opposition members.

## ⑥ Discontinuity or shortening of time due to pandemic

## ⑦ Lesser women representatives (~14% in LS)

### discuss impact

- Poor quality law making
- Accountability of government not ensured properly
- Lack of cooperation
- Gap between public and their representative
- Reducing trust in Parliamentary process.

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## Need for Reforms

### ① working of House:

- NCRCWCO Annual calendar in advance → LS = 120 days  
RS = 100 days
- Giving space to political parties (20-25 days)

More power for independent Speaker - Power to punish miscreants  
function and More bills to select committees  
Type UK style

### ② Opposition Parties:

- Ensuring cooperation with government
- Shadow cabinet → UK

### ③ MPs

- sparingly use of Anti-Defection law  
(ADL is said to discourage debates)

Add - SC-judgment for Need for research, library infrastructure

### ④ Penalty for MPs if disrupt house - (salary cut)

### ⑤ Promotion of Youth Parliament

### ⑥ Inner-Party Democracy

### ⑦ Women Reservation Bill (33%)

Diverse, representative, dynamic Parliament

need more process, inclusivity will help deepen and strengthen democracy of India.

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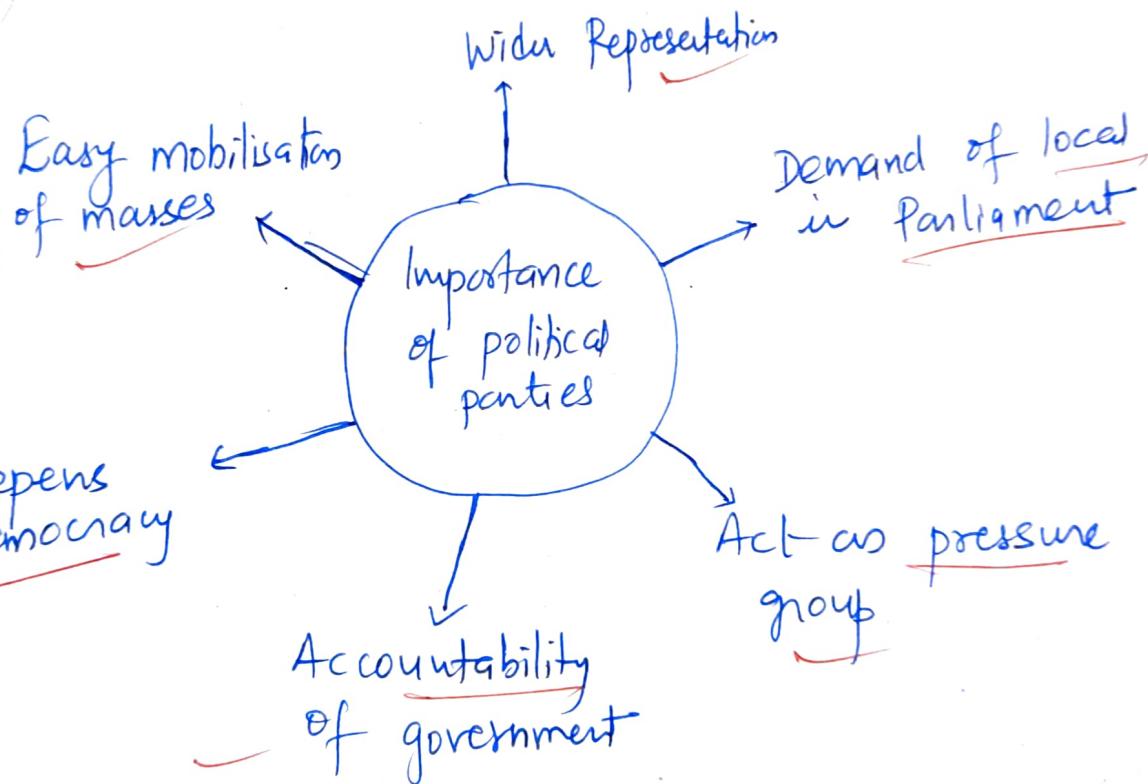
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Q15. "Political parties are the agents of democracy and safety valve in the Indian political system. In India political parties have extraconstitutional status and in recent time many of them blamed for undemocratic practices and lack political reforms". Do you think that making them constitutional bodies would serve the purpose? Justify your view with examples 250 words

India has multi-party system with multiple national, state parties with varying ideology.



## Issues with these parties

① Lack of intra-party democracy

- Dynasty politics at national & state level
- Few influential people deciding party line

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② Reducing ideological space

- Opportunistic and issue-based alignment

③ Non-transparency in funding

ADR: About 57% funds to parties through  
non unknown sources

④ Not included in RTI Act

⑤ Criminalisation of politics

⑥ lack of women representative

⑦ few women were given tickets in recent Kerala elections.

Political Parties as constitutional Bodies?

Pros

- Increase accountability

- constitutional mandate of reform, be democratic, intra party democracy

- Regulations become easy

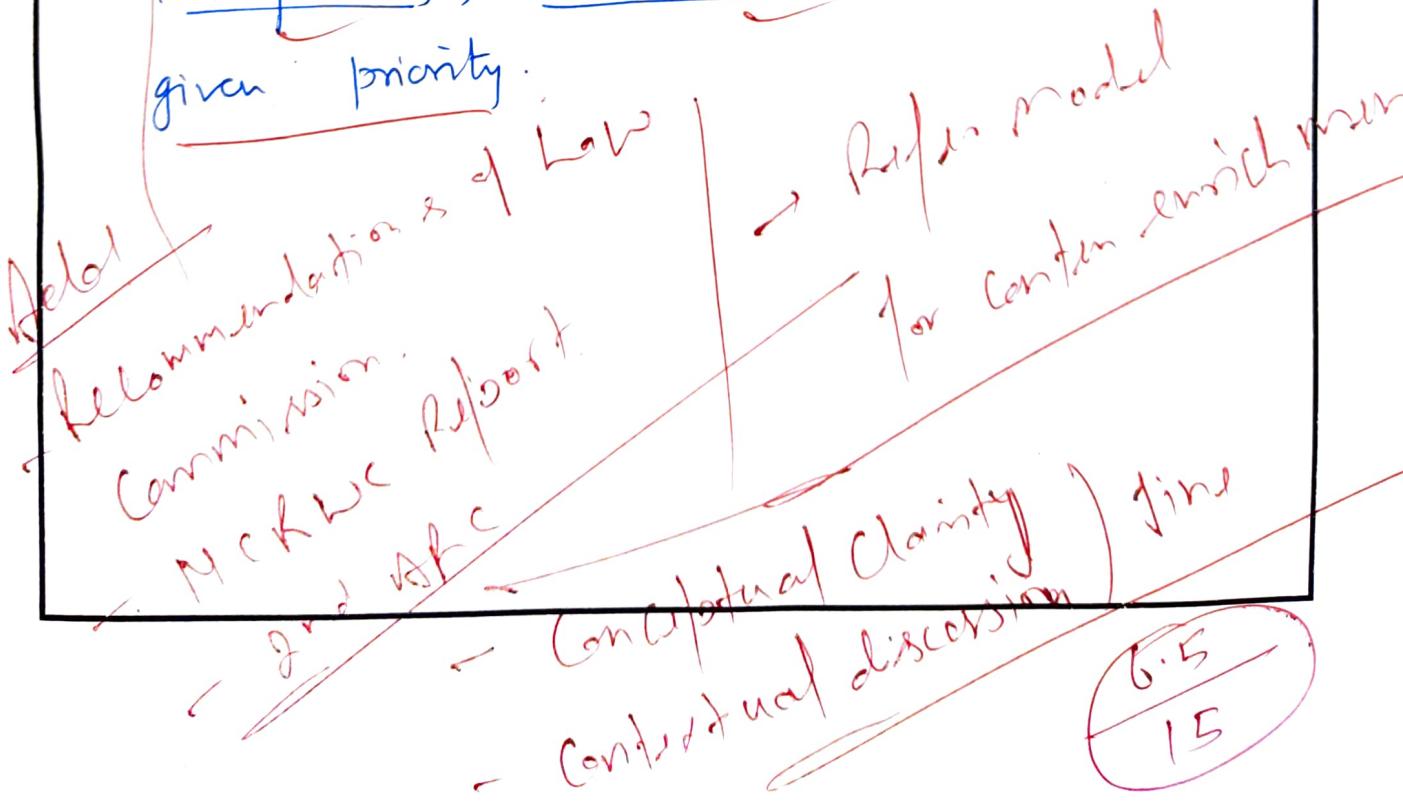
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① Friction and lack of consensus on uniform law to govern all political parties

- ② Human resources, funds require for administrative setup.
- ③ Working influence by political parties
- ④ Discourage independent members to contest elections.

## Way Ahead

Political parties as constitutional bodies can be long-term goal in political and electoral reforms. However in medium and short terms reforms like intra-party democracy, transparency, inclusism w RTI should be given priority.



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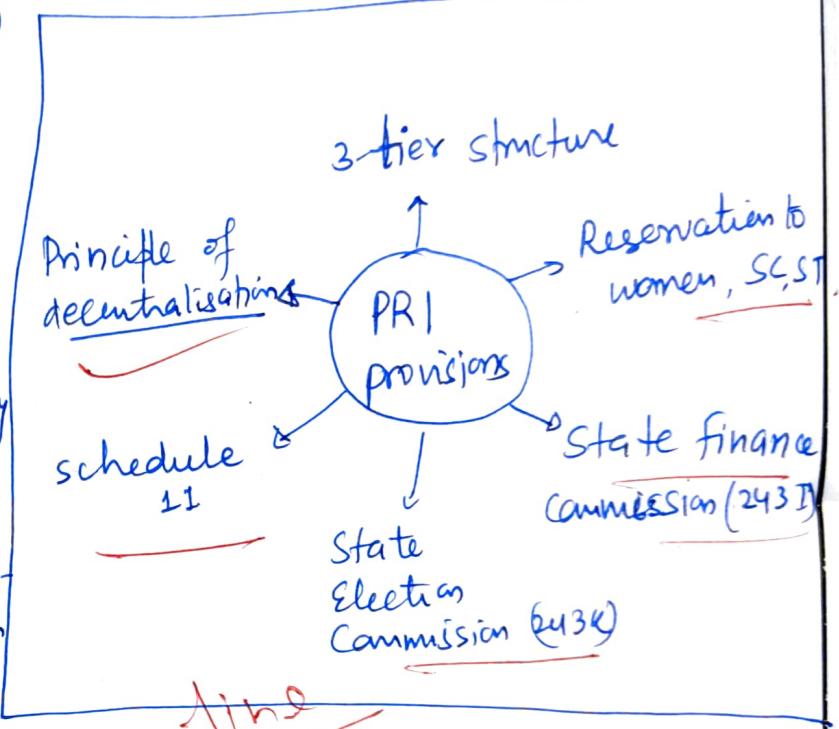
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Q16. Provide critical review of the achievements and failures of the Panchayati Raj Institutions. 250 words

73<sup>rd</sup> constitutional Amendment Act 1992 has given constitutional status to PRI (Panchayati Raj Institutions)

## Principles

- Principle of subsidiarity
- Principle of democratic decentralisation



## Achievements

① Political empowerment tool → 2.5 lakh gram panchayats exercising their constitutional rights

② Women Empowerment ~ 46% of total elected representatives are women  
- More women sarpanches also add status of SC ✓

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③ Power devolution - enabled to emerged as 'gram swaraj'

Many successful examples across the country

i) Gavali Village in Maharashtra - water secure  
Hiswe Bazar, Palegaon Siddhi - Watershed development.

ii) Gram Panchayats devolved powers to impose covid social distancing norms and quarantine rules (Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala)

⑤ Social mobilisation and ensuring accountability

(Swatch Bharat Abhiyan)

Social Audit  
(under MGNREGS)

## Issues with PRI

i) Many PRI are not able to generate 10% of resources needed. (Economic Survey 2019)

ii) Str Tac Many states yet to devolve power

iii) Infrequent elections

iv) Non-formation of State Finance Commission (SFC)

v) Inability of PRI to solve many issues -

- Add. state election commission - Relent SC  
Judgement related to ~~state~~ SCE Commissioner in Goa case.

rural poverty, rural infrastructure development,  
irrigation structure building.

- ⑥ Meetings of Gram Sabha are not held in many cases.

### Measures Needed

- ~~Financial devolution, more grants from state~~
- ~~Karala model funds~~ - Financial devolution, more grants from state
- ~~functions of Panchayat~~ - States need to devolve more powers to PRI
- ~~Functionaries~~ - Skilling of Human resources, digitisation, eGovernance in PRI
- ~~15th Constitutional Commission~~ - Need to ensure accountability of PRI → by book keeping, audit.
- ~~gnd APC of PRI~~ - Appropriate measures for empowerment of rural development in true sense.

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 Contextual discussion and development  
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Q17. The COVID-19 pandemic has exposed and aggravated the cracks in India's healthcare systems and also brought to light the significance of the health sector in a country. In this context, evaluate the need for the constitutional 'Right to Health for all'. 250 words

COVID pandemic has shown how a health crisis can convert into social and economic crisis. There are many issues and cracks in Indian healthcare system.

## Issues

- ① Funds - only 1.5% of GDP is spent on health
- ② Bed, Hospitals, Nurses, doctors → all are below prescribed strength. → Can add WHO data
- ③ Out of pocket expenditure (~60%) - WHO
- ④ Poverty and high cost private healthcare and capacity of states in
- ⑤ low spending health sector (health is state subject)

India → Academic / Financial / Physical / Technological etc

## Constitutional Right to Health for All

- Right to health is fundamental right under article 21. However making it explicit have its pros & cons.

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Debt  
Govt  
Schemes

Initiatives on this  
line

Pros

- Increased public spending on health
- Constitutional mandate of public health
- Citizens can go to judiciary if rights violated.

Cons

- Inadequate fund with states
- Increase litigations court cases on already overburdened judiciary
- Scoping of right will be difficult as it has wide scope.

Way Ahead

→ Right to Health for All is desirable. But in current situation of economic revival, state can focus on improving system

→ Universal Health Coverage

should be target of state in near future

PHC,  
CHC

Social  
security

Reducing  
OOP expenditure

Health  
Insurance

Spending  
2.5% of  
GDP

65  
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must  
conclude

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Q18. Provide critical analysis on hunger and malnutrition status in India. 250 words

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Q19. As almost all parts of the country facing water scarcity, recently ministry of Jal Shakti has set up a committee to draft new national water policy, hence new policy must include integrated water management by including all stakeholders in decentralized manner. Comment 250 words

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Q20. "The Covid pandemic has exposed the weakness of bureaucracy. Healthcare professionals who are specialist made to work under generalist officers and the policy options have been left to the generalist when they should be in the hands of the specialist". In the light of above statement highlight critically need for specialist along with merits and demerits in civil services in this context. Also, suggest some measures. 250 words

Debate of generalist vs specialist in civil services is long one. In pandemic situation, it was said to that medical experts would have handled better.

## Specialists Need in Civil Services

Specialist are those who have domain expertise. For example an economist handling RBI matters is case of specialist in civil services. Need for specialists -

① Increasing complexities of issues

- climate change, cyber issues, IR 4.0 on disruptive technology

② Holistic policy making

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③ Past successful examples (e.g.) Kelkar,  
former PM Manmohan Singhji

④ Incentivise current civil servants to  
upgrade skill and compete with specialist

⑤ Issues with Generalists - hierarchical,  
procedural, status quoist etc.

## Merits of specialist

- Expert policy making
- Paradigm shift in governance
- Dynamism in bureaucracy
- Efficient & resource utilisation

## Demerits

- Narrow approach (domain expertise)  
as governance is interrelated
- lack of ground experience / field work
- cultural difference

→ Entry of specialist - methods - It should not become tool for political favoritism

## Measures

① Lateral Entry and evaluation of their performance by third party.

② Making generalist → specialist -

②.1 Domain specific training - For example person can train and serve in social sector (health, education) throughout his/her career.

②.2 Mission Karmayogi - Mid career (IOT) training, skill building Recent efforts in policy.

②.3 Private sector deputation to learn the business.

③ Collaboration of civil servants (young) with NGOs working in specific domain (MoTa Committee) 2nd ARC  
Civil servant need to become multi-dimensional with changing complexities and time.

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