

Municipalities

1. PART IXA gives a constitutional foundation to the local self government units in urban area.
2. Most provisions for municipalities are similar to those contained in PART IX, e.g. Structure, Reservation of Seats, Functions, Sources of Income etc.
3. Nagar Panchayat, is for an area being transformed from a rural area to an urban area.
4. Municipal Council is for a smaller urban area.
5. Municipal Corporation is for a larger urban area. The municipal corporation is the topmost urban local government.
6. The members of a municipality are generally elected by direct election.
7. The Legislature of a State can provide for representation in municipalities of : ? Persons having special knowledge or experience in municipal administration. ? Members of Lok Sabha, State Assembly, Rajya Sabha and Legislative Council. ? The Chairpersons of Ward Committees.
8. Note : If the population is 3 lacs or more Ward Committees are constituted.
9. Two Committees constituted for preparing development plan are : ? A District Planning Committee at the district level ? Metropolitan Planning Committee at the metropolis level.