

CLASS NOTES

Class: 6th

Topic: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS OF PANCHAYATI RAJ

Subject: SOCIAL SCIENCE

NCERT SOLUTION

Instructions:-

Write all the questions and answers in your civics notebook with proper Heading and date.

Question 1. What problem did the villagers in Hardas village face? What did they do to solve this problem?

Answer:

- 1) Water problem had become very acute.
- 2) The hand pump water had gone well below the point, up to which the ground had been drilled.
- 3) They hardly got any water in the taps.
- 4) Women had to walk 3 km to get the water from the Suru

River. Following are the solutions:

- As temporary solution, the villagers deepened the hand pumps and cleaned the wells.

For permanent solution they decided to go ahead with watershed development.

Question 2. What, in your opinion, is the importance of the Gram Sabha? Do you think all members should attend Gram Sabha meetings? Why?

Answer: Importance of Gram Sabha-

- 1) Gram Sabha elect the members of the Gram Panchayat.
- 2) The Gram Sabha prevents the Panchayat from doing wrong things like misusing money or favoring certain people.
- 3) It can question gram Panchayat and keep watch on their work.
- 4) Local problems of the villagers can be discussed in the meetings.
- 5) They can recommend solution of any problem.

Yes, All members should attend the Gram Sabha meetings because -

- They can raise the problems faced by them daily.
- They can also advice and make aware of the work done by the Gram Panchayat.

It is the forum where they can discuss the welfare programs of the village.

Question 3: What is the link between a Gram Sabha and a Gram Panchayat?

Answer: The link between a Gram Sabha and a Gram Panchayat-

- 1) A Gram Sabha is a meeting of all adults who live in the area covered by a Panchayat.
- 2) Gram Sabha elect the people of Gram Panchayat.
- 3) The Gram Panchayat is answerable to the Gram Sabha.
- 4) Gram Sabha keeps an eye on the elected representatives.

The Gram Panchayat has a Secretary who is also the Secretary of the Gram Sabha.

Question 4: Students need to do this task keeping in mind the respective areas where they live.

Question 5: What is the difference between a Gram Sabha and a Gram Panchayat? Answer:

<u>GRAM SABHA</u>	<u>GRAM PANCHAYAT</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a meeting of all adults who live in the area covered by a Panchayat. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gram Panchayat is elected by the members of the Gram Sabha for a period of five years.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It covers one or a few villages. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village is divided into wards. Each ward is represented by an elected representative known as Ward Member (Panch).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no concept of reservation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A few seats are reserved for women and the people belonging to the scheduled caste and scheduled tribes.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a permanent body. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is elected for a term of 5 years.

Question 7: Find out more about watershed development and how it benefits an area?

Answer:

Watershed development refers to the process of creating and implementing plans, programs, and projects that help in the conservation, recharging and judicious use of the water resources like, underground water, rivers, etc.

Benefits of watershed development in an area are:

- It makes the land fertile and supports the growth of plants and trees.
- It helps in the preservation of water and its resources.
- It helps in checking soil erosion.
- It helps in recharging groundwater levels.
- Barren lands are turned into meadows.

Water is easily available for drinking as well as for irrigation

Additional Questions

Question 1: What are the sources of funds for the Gram Panchayat?

Answer:

- 1) Collection of taxes on houses, market places etc.
- 2) Government scheme funds received through various departments of the government – through the Janpad and Zila Panchayats.

Donations for community works etc.

Question 2: What are the functions of Gram Sabha?

Answer: The Gram Sabha performs various tasks:

- 1) It keeps control on the Gram Panchayat. It makes the Gram Panchayat to play its role and be responsible.
- 2) It is the place where all plans for the work of the Gram Panchayat are placed before the people.
- 3) The Gram Sabha prevents the Panchayat from doing wrong things which may include misusing money, or favoring certain people.

It keeps an eye on the elected representatives and in making them responsible to the persons who elected them.

Question 3: What are the functions of Gram Panchayat?

Answer:

- The construction and maintenance of water sources, roads, drainage, school buildings and other common property

