

**1. WHAT ARE THE COMPULSORY PROVISIONS, AS ENUMERATED UNDER THE 73 RD CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ACT, 1992?**

The compulsory provisions of the Act have to be included the state laws creating the new panchayati raj system. They are as follows.

Organization of Gram Sabha in village or in a group of villages

Establishment of panchayats in the village, intermediate and district levels

Direct elections to all seats in panchayat at all levels

Indirect election to the posts of chairpersons at the intermediate and district level

21 years to be the minimum age for the election of panchayats

Reservation for seats for SCs and STs in proportion to their population

Reservation of one-third seats for women

Fixed tenure and fresh election within six months in case of premature dissolution

Establishment of State Election Commission for election to Panchayats

Constitution of State Finance Commission after every five years to review the financial position of the panchayats



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