

**1. THE GOVERNOR OF A STATE IS LIKE A BIRD IN THE GOLDEN CAGE.
COMMENT.**

Sarojini Naidu the former governor had once remarked that it is a like being a 'bird in a golden cage'. The remarks were in light of the mere 'titular' nature of the position as it commonly believed that the Governor of a state is a mere figurehead and has no real powers, as the actual power lies with the Council of Ministers of the state ("State CoM"). However, the political history of India has shown us to the contrary, as there have been situations wherein the independent decision of the Governor has made all the difference and broken stalemates. In fact, the recent happenings in Maharashtra are a testament to the importance of the Governor as crucial decisions like calling a political party to form the government, recommending the President's rule and the subsequent early morning swearing in were all taken by the Governor himself.



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