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Panchayati Raj- Handout -II

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I. Sources of Funds for the Gram panchayat

- Taxes houses, market places, entertainment etc.
- Government scheme funds
- Donations for community works etc.
- Fines
- License fees from Construction, Hotels, factories etc.
- Grants from state government

II. Panchayat Secretary

- The Gram Panchayat Secretary is appointed by the government.
- He is also the Secretary of Gram Sabha
- Secretary is Administrative in charge of the Gram Panchayat
- He is responsible to organise the **meeting** of Gram Sabha and Gram Panchayat.
- Responsible to ensure the smooth conduct of the meeting of Gram Sabha and records the details of members attending the meeting of Gram Sabha.

III. Gram Sabha

- Gram Sabha is a meeting of all adults living in an area of a Gram Panchayat.
- Gram Sabha is the primary body of the Panchayati Raj system. It is a village assembly consisting of all the registered voters within the area of the panchayat.
- All plans for the works of Gram Panchayat are placed before the Gram Sabha
- The works of the Gram Panchayath have to be approved by Gram Sabha
- Gram Panchayath is answerable to the Gram Sabha.
- Gram Sabha elects the members of the Gram Panchayat.
- Gram Sabha takes decisions and the Gram Panchayat implements them.

IV. Functions of Gram Sabha

- Gram Sabha Helps to implement the various development programmes such as construction of roads, drainage, agriculture etc..
- Gram Panchayath identifies the beneficiaries for different programmes and schemes of the central government and state government through Gram abha
- Gram Sabha is a platform to discuss the annual financial statement of the Gram Panchayat.
- Gram sabha monitors the functioning of gram Panchayat.
- It is responsible to make the elected representatives responsible and protect the interest of various village communities.
- Gram Sabha finilises and approves the list of the people below the poverty line in rural areas
