

NCERT SOLUTIONS

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Q1 What is happening in Patalpuram ?

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Q2 Why is this problem serious?

Answer. Missing

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Q3 What action do you think can be taken in the above situation and who do you think should take this action? Discuss.

Answer. Missing

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Q4 Discuss the following terms with your teacher—public meeting, States in India, constituency, majority, ruling party and opposition.

Answer. DIY

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Q5 Can you explain the following terms—majority, ruling party, opposition with reference to your state.

Answer. DIY

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Q6 Construct a table, similar to the one given for Himachal Pradesh, for your state.

Results of the Assembly Elections in Himachal Pradesh in 2017	
Political party	Number of MLAs elected
Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)	44
Indian National Congress (INC)	21
Communist Party of India (Marxist)	1
Independents (who don't belong to any party)	2
Total	68

Answer. DIY

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Q7 At times, the ruling party may not be a single party but a group of parties working together. This is called a coalition. Discuss with your teacher.

Answer. DIY

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Q8 What were the main arguments put forward by different MLAs who thought that the government was not taking the situation in a serious manner?

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Q9 If you were the health minister, how would you respond to the above discussion?

Answer. DIY

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Q10 Do you think the above debate would have been useful in some ways? How? Discuss.

Answer. DIY

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Q11 In the working of the government, explain the difference between being an MLA and an MLA who is also a minister.

Answer. DIY

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Q12 Write two measures that the government undertook for controlling diarrhoea?

Answer. DIY

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Q13 What is the purpose of a press conference? How does the press conference help you get information on what the government is doing?

Answer. DIY

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Q14 Find out with the help of your teacher, the work done by the government departments mentioned above, and fill in the table.

Name of department	Examples of their work
School Education	
Public Works Department	
Agriculture	

Answer. DIY

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Q1 Use the terms 'constituency' and 'represent' to explain who an MLA is and how is the person elected?

Answer. An MLA is a member of the Legislative Assembly. They are elected by the people of their constituency. The MLAs represent the people in their constituency in the Legislative Assembly.

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Q2 How did some MLAs become Ministers? Explain.

Answer. Some MLAs become ministers when their party wins more than half the number of constituencies in a state and thus is in majority. The party which is in majority then makes a cabinet whose members are called ministers.

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Q3 Why should decisions taken by the Chief Minister and other ministers be debated in the Legislative Assembly?

Answer. Decisions taken by the chief minister and other ministers should be debated in the Legislative Assembly because these decisions have to be approved by the members of the legislative assembly. The MLAs are collectively responsible for the work that the government does.

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Q4 What was the problem in Patalpuram? What discussion/ action was taken by the following? Fill in the table.

Public meeting
Legislative Assembly
Press Conference
Chief minister

Answer. The problem in Patalpuram was that there was a shortage of clean drinking water and lack of proper sanitation. Added to this, the people were dying of diseases while there was a shortage of proper medical facilities.

Public meeting – The people decided that the MLA must take responsibility for the deteriorating healthcare and sanitation conditions.
Legislative Assembly – The MLAs discussed the need for proper sanitation and healthcare facilities and asked the government about the steps it had taken to ensure the same.
Press Conference – The minister explained the steps taken to improve medical facilities and provide tankers which would supply clean drinking water.
Chief minister – He promised funds for the measures which the health minister suggested and said that the problem of garbage would be looked after too.

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Q5 What is the difference between the work that MLAs do in the Assembly and the work done by government departments?

Answer. MLAs make and debate decisions in the assembly. The government departments implement the decisions made by the Legislative Assembly.

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