

**CLASS:-11<sup>TH</sup>, POLITICAL SCIENCE, NOTES, CHAPTER:- 08,LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

- **The 73rd amendment is about rural local governments known as Panchayati Raj institutions, it demarcated the levels of Panchayati Raj in Gram Panchayat the base, Block (Block) intermediary and the Zila Panchayat apex.**
- **The 73rd amendment included the three tier structure (mentioned above), elections at every regular interval of five years, reservations for SC's, ST's and OBC's and 29 subjects from state list in eleventh schedule of constitution were transferred to Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRI).**
- **The 74th Amendment dealt with the Urban local bodies or Nagarpalikas. This is a repetition of the 73rd amendment except that it applies to the Urban areas only.**
- **Sometimes, the formation of the local bodies is criticized on the ground not to change the way in which decisions are taken at the central and state level and the people at the local level do not enjoy much power of choosing allocation of resources.**
- **The dependence of local bodies on the state governments and Central Government for financial support has greatly eroded their capacity to operate effectively.**