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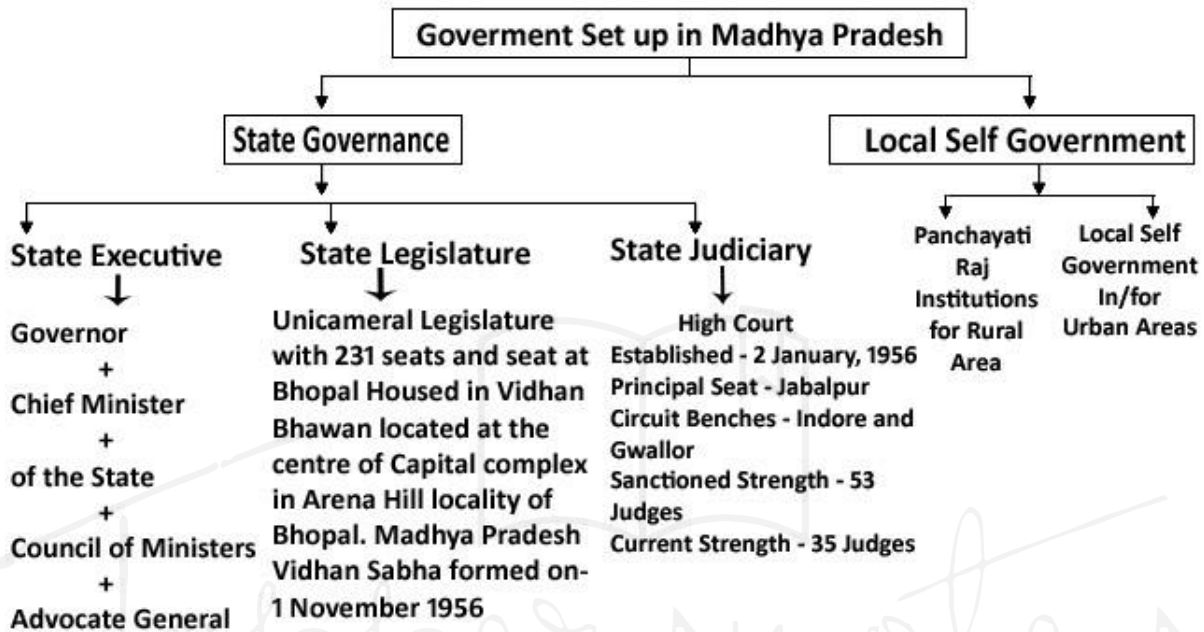
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# 1 CHAPTER

# Constitutional System of Madhya Pradesh



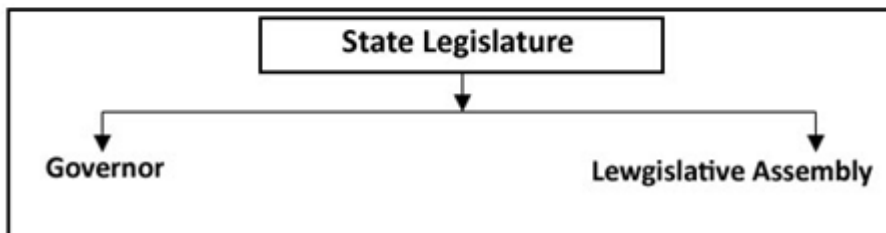
## State Legislature

- **Articles 168-177** of the Indian constitution are related to the **state Legislature**.
- There is a **unicameral state Legislature** (Legislative Assembly) in **Madhya Pradesh**

## Development of state Legislature in the state

- The **Legislative Assembly** was **formed** in the year **1957** after the **formation of Madhya Pradesh** in the year **1956**.
- The **initial** number of **members** Legislative Assembly was **288**, in which **43 seats** were **reserved** for **Scheduled Castes** and **54 seats** for **Scheduled Tribes**.
- The **number** of **Legislative Assembly members** was increased to **296** in **1976** while in **1999** it was further **increased** to **320**. After the **reorganisation of Madhya Pradesh** in **2000** and the creation of **Chhattisgarh**, the number of **seats** in the **Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly** was **reduced** to **230**, out of which **148 members** are **elected** from **Unreserved/General Category**, **35 members** from **Scheduled Castes** and **47 members** from **Scheduled Tribe**.
- In addition, under **Article 333**, a **member** of the **Anglo-Indian community** is **nominated** by the Governor. This **provision** was **abolished** under **104th Constitutional Amend Act 2020**.

Number of State Legislative Assembly members in Madhya Pradesh		
Year	Legislative Assembly (Elected +Nominated)	Reserved
1957	288	43(SC),54(ST)
1976	296	
1999	320	
2000	230+1=231	35(SC),47(ST)
2020	230	(104 <sup>th</sup> Amendment Act 2020)



## Governor of Madhya Pradesh

### Constitutional Provisions

- **Articles:** 153 to 161 of the constitution of India
- **Part:** VI of the constitution of India
- **Important Articles related to Governor**



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### Constitutional Position

- **Dual role:**
  - State Government's **constitutional head**
  - A **link between the central and state governments.**
- Executive leader of a state
- Operates on the **recommendation of the CoM of State.**
- All state **executive activities are formally taken in the Governor's name.**
- **Represents the Centre in the State** as a nominee of the President
- **Serves as a channel of communication** and interaction between the State and the Centre.
- Responsible to **keep the centre up to date** on the state's activities.

## Appointment of Governor

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- **Appointed by:** The President by warrant under his hand and seal.
- **Article 153:** Each state should have its own governor.
- **7th amendment Act 1956:** Appointment of the same individual as Governor of one or more states.
  - He acts on the **recommendations of the CoM of individual states** while Acting as governor for one or more states.

## Qualifications

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In order to be appointed as Governor, a person

- Must be a **citizen of India**.
- Must have completed the **age of 35 years**.

In addition, there are **two conventions** with regard to appointment of the Governor:

- He **Must not belong to the state where he is appointed**
- **Consult the CM of the state where to be appointed.**

## Term of Office

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- **Term: 5 years** at the **pleasure of the President**.
  - He may be requested to stay on for longer than the usual five years, until his replacement takes up.
- **Transfer:** The President can also transfer the Governor from one state to another.
- **Resignation:** By writing to the President, the Governor may resign at any time.
- **Unforeseen Circumstances:** The Constitution makes no provision, such as the death of the Governor, the President may make whatever measures he deems appropriate for the fulfilment of the Governor's tasks (Article 160).
- The **Rajasthan HC** has ruled that the **Governor's powers might be temporarily delegated to the Chief Justice of the HC.**

## Conditions of Governor's Office

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- **Cannot be a member of Parliament** or a State Legislature, and if he or she is, then has to vacate his seat before joining as Governor.
- **Prohibited from holding any other office of Profit**
- **Official residence without rent.**
- Entitled to the **emoluments, allowances, and privileges that Parliament may designate**.
  - Governor of **two or more states**, his **emoluments are divided** among them in the proportions determined by the President.
  - **During his term of service**, his emoluments and allowances shall **not be reduced**.
- **Must take an oath** or affirmation **administered by the Chief Justice of the respective state HC**, or in his absence, the most senior judge of that court available.

## Salary

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- Draws a **salary** of Rs.3,50,000 per month charged on **the Consolidated Fund of the State**
- Entitled to a **rent-free official residence** and other allowances.
- **Not subject to the vote** of the State Legislature.

## Immunities to Governor

The Constitution grants certain immunities to a Governor, such as

- **Article 361: not liable to any court for the exercise and performance of his powers and duties**, or for any act done or said to be done in the exercise and performance of such powers and responsibilities.
- During his tenure
  - **No criminal proceedings can be initiated** or continued in any court.
  - **No process for his arrest** or imprisonment can be issued by any court.
- **Civil proceedings against a Governor** in which relief is requested can be brought in court while the Governor is still in office, but **only after two months have passed after he was given adequate notice in writing of the proceedings in full.**

## Powers and Functions of the Governor



### # Executive Powers

- **In charge of the state's executive power:** In conformity with the Constitution, he **exercises it** himself or via officer's subordinate to him.
- **Extends to all subjects** over which the State Legislature has legislative authority.
- **Subject to the President's executive authority** on subjects stated in the **Concurrent List**.
- **All executive Measures** of the state government are in his name.
- **Authority to establish procedures** for the authentication of orders and instructions issued and implemented in his name.
- **Establishes standards for** the efficient conduct of **government operations** and the distribution of responsibilities among ministers.

#### Powers with respect to Some States:

Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Odisha	94th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2006	<b>ensure</b> that a Minister is appointed to oversee <b>tribal care</b> .
Assam	Sixth Schedule	<b>administration of tribal territories</b>

- **Appointment and patronage rights:**
  - **Advocate General of the State**
  - **Chairman and members of State Public Service Commission** (can be removed by the President only)
  - **State Election Commission and the State Finance Commission (Article 243K) (243I).**
- **Can demand any information from the CM** of the State regarding administrative matters and legislative measures.
- **Submits a report to the President**, along with suggestions, on the **breakdown of constitutional machinery** and the **imposition of President's Rule** in a State
- Serves as the **Chancellor of State Universities**.
- **Ministers hold office** during the pleasure of the Governor.
- **Bring to the CoM any topic** for reconsideration
- It is **the CM's responsibility to report to the Governor any decisions of the CoM pertaining to the administration** of the State and legislative measures, as well as to supply any information requested by the Government.



## # Legislative Powers

- **Nominate one member** to the **State's Lower House** and a **few members** to the **State's Upper House**.
  - **One member of the Anglo-Indian community** to the State Legislative Assembly if they are underrepresented in that body.
  - **One-sixth** of the total number of **members** of the State Legislative Council
- Can call a **special session of the State Legislature**, prorogue one or both Houses, or dissolve the Legislative Assembly.
- **Addresses the House or Houses of the State Legislature** singly or jointly
  - Make a **speech** at the start of each **new session** and immediately following a general election to the Assembly, in which he lays out his **Government's strategy for the coming year**.
- Can **communicate with any House** of the State Legislature.
- Before becoming law, **every bill enacted by the State Legislature must gain the Governor's consent**. the Governor can:
  - He **can give his consent** to the Bill;
  - **Withholds assent**; or
  - He may **reserve the Bill for the consideration of the President** if:
    - **Ultra-vires**, that is, **against** the provisions of the **Constitution**.
    - **Opposed to DPSPs**.
    - **Against** the larger **interest of the country**.
    - **Of grave national importance**.
    - Dealing with compulsory acquisition of property
  - He **can return it to the Legislature**, if it is not a Money Bill, for reconsideration, suggesting alterations and modifications in part or in the whole.
    - But such **Bills when passed again** by the Legislature **must receive the assent** of the Governor, which means that the Governor cannot withhold his assent to a Bill if it is passed a second time by the State Legislature (**Article 200**).
- In the state legislature **presents reports of**:
  - **State Public Service Commission (Article 323)**
  - **State Finance Commission (Article 243(1))**
  - **Comptroller and Auditor General (Article 151)**
- May resolve a subject pertaining to the **disqualification of a member of the Legislature** on the recommendation of the **Election Commission** if that person's **election is contested through a petition** by some voter or voters in his State (**Article 192**).

## # Financial Powers

- **No Money Bill or Financial Bill can be introduced** in the state legislature **without the Governor's recommendations**.
- Only on his suggestion may a **request for a grant be made in the Legislative Assembly**.
- **responsible for** preparing and presenting the **annual budget to the State Legislature**, which includes the expected revenue and expenditures for the year as well as **supplementary budgets** for the State.
- In the **event of an unplanned expenditure**, the **Governor can make advances from the State's Contingency Fund**, pending approval by the Legislature.

- Every five years, **he appoints a Finance Commission** to assess the financial situation of the **Panchayats and municipalities**.

### # Judicial Powers

- **Pardoning Power (Art.161):** can award **pardons, reprieves, respites, and remissions of penalty, as well as suspend, remit, and commute** the sentences of anybody guilty of laws pertaining to the state.

Difference between President's Pardoning Power	
President	Governor
Can commute death sentences	Cannot commute
Can pardon penalties imposed by court martial	Cannot pardon such penalties
Pardoning power for anybody guilty under central laws	Guilty under state laws

- **Judicial Appointments:** The President consults the Governor to **appoint the justices of the State HC**.
  - Makes **district judge** nominations, postings, and promotions **with the help of the State HCs**.
  - Selects people to the **state's judicial service**, other than district judges, after **consulting with the State HC and the State Public Service Commission**.

### # Ordinance Making Power of Governor

- **Article 213:** can issue an Ordinance **when one or both Houses of the State Legislature are not in session**. It has the force of a law.
- Can **promulgate Ordinance** when he is satisfied that circumstances exist where **immediate action is required**.
  - **Prohibited from promulgating Ordinances** that contain provisions, which **require the previous sanction of the President for introduction** in the State Legislature or which are to be **reserved for the assent of the President**.
    - In such conditions **can promulgate** an Ordinance **after obtaining permission from the President**.
- An Ordinance issued by the Governor **ceases to be in operation six weeks after the re-assembly of the Legislature** unless approved earlier.
  - **May withdraw an Ordinance** any time before it expires.

Difference between Ordinance Making Powers of the President and Governor:	
President	Governor
Can issue ordinances <b>only on those subjects on which the Parliament can make laws</b> .	Can issue ordinances <b>only on those subjects on which the state legislature can make laws</b> .
Same force and effect as an <b>act of the Parliament</b> .	Same force and effect as an <b>act of the state legislature</b> .
<b>Invalid</b> beyond the legislative limits of Parliament	Invalid beyond legislative limits of state legislature
<b>Can promulgate or withdraw</b> an ordinance <b>only on the advice of the CoM headed by the PM</b> .	<b>Can promulgate or withdraw</b> an ordinance <b>only on the advice of the state CoM headed by the CM of the state</b>
Should be laid before <b>both the Houses of Parliament</b> when it reassembles.	Should be laid before the <b>legislative assembly or both the Houses of the state legislature</b> (in case of a bicameral legislature) when it reassembles.

## # Emergency Powers

- **Report to the President** whenever he believes that a situation has arisen in which the State's government cannot be carried out in accordance with the Constitution's provisions (**Article 356**), thereby **inviting the President to assume** all or part of the **State's government functions (President's Rule)**
  - Becomes an "**agent of the Union Government in the State.**"
  - He takes **administration in his own hands** and, with the help of the civil service, administers the state.

## Discretionary Powers of the Governor

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- **lynchpin of constitutional democracy** in the States.
- **If there is any doubt** as to whether a topic is one for which the Governor has discretionary authority, the **Governor's judgement is definitive.**

### # Governor has following Constitutional discretionary powers:

- **Reserve a bill** for consideration of the President
- Recommend **President's Rule**
- serves as the **administrator of a bordering Union Territory.**
- Under **Schedule VI**, determines the **royalty paid to the Tribal District Council** accruing from licenses for **mineral exploration** by **Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram**
- **Seeking information from the CM** with regard to the administrative and legislative matters of the state.

### # Governor has following situational discretionary powers:

- **Appointment of CM** when no party has a clear-cut majority in the state legislative assembly or when he dies suddenly and there is no obvious successor.
- **Dismissal of the CoM** when it cannot prove the confidence of the state legislative assembly.
- **Dissolution of the state legislative assembly** if the CoM has lost its majority.

### # Governor has following discretionary powers as directed by the President:

- **Maharashtra:** Establish **separate development boards** for Vidarbha and Marathwada and Rest of Maharashtra. (**Art. 371**)
- **Gujarat:** Establish **separate development boards** for Saurashtra and Kutch. (**Art. 371**) Chief Minister
- **Nagaland:** to maintain **law and order** in the wake of **internal disturbance** in the Naga Hills-Tuensang Area. (**Art. 371A**)
- **Assam:** administration of the **tribal areas (Art.371B)**
- **Manipur:** administration of the **Hill areas in the state. (Art. 371C)**
- **Andhra Pradesh:** **regional development** of Andhra Pradesh (**Art.371D**)
- **Sikkim:** For peace and for ensuring social and economic advancement of the different sections of the population. (**Art. 371F**)
- **Arunachal Pradesh:** maintaining the **law and order** in the state. (**Art. 371H**).
- **Karnataka:** development of **Hyderabad-Karnataka region. (Art.371J; added by 98th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2012)**

## Governors of MP

S. No.	Name	Period
1.	<b>Shri Bhograju Pattabhi Sitaramayya</b>	01.11.1956 to 13.06.1957
2.	<b>Padma Vibhushan Shri Hari Vinayak Pataskar</b>	14.06.1957 to 10.02.1965
3.	<b>Shri Kyasamballi Chengalrao Reddy</b>	11.02.1965 to 02.02.1966
4.	<b>Justice P. V. Dixit (Acting)</b>	03.02.1966 to 09.02.1966
5.	<b>Shri Kyasamballi Chengalrao Reddy</b>	10.02.1966 to 07.03.1971
6.	<b>Shri Satyanarayan Sinha</b>	08.03.1971 to 13.10.1977
7.	<b>Shri Niranjan Nath Wanchoo</b>	14.10.1977 to 16.08.1978
8.	<b>Shri Cheppudira Muthana Punacha</b>	17.08.1978 to 29.04.1980
9.	<b>Dr. Bhagwat Dayal Sharma</b>	30.04.1980 to 25.05.1981
10.	<b>Justice G. P. Singh (Acting)</b>	26.05.1981 to 09.07.1981
11.	<b>Dr. Bhagwat Dayal Sharma</b>	10.07.1981 to 20.09.1983
12.	<b>Justice G. P. Singh (Acting)</b>	21.09.1983 to 07.10.1983
13.	<b>Dr. Bhagwat Dayal Sharma</b>	08.10.1983 to 14.05.1984
14.	<b>Shri K. M. Chandy</b>	15.05.1984 to 30.11.1987
15.	<b>Justice N. D. Ojha (Acting)</b>	01.12.1987 to 29.12.1987
16.	<b>Shri K. M. Chandy</b>	30.12.1987 to 30.03.1989
17.	<b>Smt. Sarla Grewal(1st Women)</b>	31.03.1989 to 05.02.1990
18.	<b>Shri Kunwar Mahmood Ali Khan</b>	06.02.1990 to 23.06.1993
19.	<b>Dr. Mohd. Shafi Qureshi</b>	24.06.1993 to 21.04.1998
20.	<b>Dr. Bhai Mahavir</b>	22.04.1998 to 06.05.2003
21.	<b>Shri Ram Prakash Gupta</b>	07.05.2003 to 01.05.2004
22.	<b>Shri Krishna Mohan Seth (Acting)</b>	02.05.2004 to 29.06.2004
23.	<b>Dr. Bal Ram Jakhar</b>	30.06.2004 to 29.04.2009
24.	<b>Shri Rameshwar Thakur</b>	30.06.2009 to 07.09.2011
25.	<b>Shri Ram Naresh Yadav</b>	08.09.2011 to 07.09.2016

26.	<b>Shri Om Prakash Kohli (additional charge)</b>	08.09.2016 to 23.01.2018
27.	<b>Smt. Anandiben Patel</b>	23.01.2018 to 29.07.2019
28.	<b>Late. Shri LalJi Tandon</b>	29.07.2019 to 21.06.2020
29.	<b>Smt. Anandiben Patel</b>	01.07.2020 to 08.07.2021
30.	<b>Mangubhai Patel</b>	08.07.2021 Onwards

### Important Facts

FACTS	MINISTER
The <b>total number of individuals</b> serving as Governors so far	30
The <b>number of occasions acting Governors</b> were appointed	04
The <b>only Governor sworn outside the Raj Bhavan</b>	Dr. B. P. Sitaramayya (Sworn in at Minto Hall)
The <b>youngest</b> Governor on appointment	Smt Sarla Grewal (61 years)
The <b>eldest</b> Governor on appointment	Shri Ram Naresh Yadav (83 years)
Only Governor <b>born in the State</b>	Shri N. N. Wanchoo (Satna)
Only Governor <b>born outside present India</b>	Dr. Bhai Mahavir (Lahore)
Only Governor <b>recipient of a public title</b>	Shri H. V. Pataskar (Padma Vibhushan)
The <b>longest serving</b> full-time Governor	Padma Vibhushan Shri H. V. Pataskar (7 yrs 7 months 27 days)
The <b>shortest serving</b> full-time Governor	Dr. B. P. Sitaramayya (7 months 12 days)
The <b>longest serving acting Governor</b>	Shri O.P.Kohli (16 months 14 days)
The <b>shortest serving acting Governor</b>	Justice G. P. Singh (6 days)
The <b>1st Governor with Civil Service background</b>	Shri N. N. Wanchoo
The <b>1st female</b> Governor	Smt Sarla Grewal
<b>First Governor to impose President's rule</b> in MP	Shri S. N. Sinha

<b>Only Governor with a Chartered Accountancy qualification</b>	Shri Rameshwar Thakur
<b>Only Governor who was a medical practitioner</b>	Dr. B. P. Sitaramayya
<b>Only Governor who didn't know Hindi</b>	Shri K. C. Reddy
<b>Only Governor who expired while in office</b>	Shri R. P. Gupta
<b>Governors who have been Governors of other States</b>	<b>Total: 09</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shri N. N. Wanchoo (Kerala)</li> <li>• Shri C. M. Poonacha (Orissa)</li> <li>• Dr. B. D. Sharma (Orissa)</li> <li>• Shri K. M. Chandy (Gujarat)</li> <li>• Dr. Mohammad Shafi Qureshi (Bihar)</li> <li>• Dr. Bal Ram Jakhar (Gujarat)</li> <li>• Shri Rameshwar Thakur (Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka)</li> <li>• Smt Ram Naresh Yadav</li> <li>• Smt Anandiben Patel (Chhattisgarh)</li> <li>• Shri Lal Ji Tandon (Bihar)</li> </ul>
<b>Only Governor who has been Governor of 3 other States</b>	<b>Shri Rameshwar Thakur</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orissa</li> <li>• Andhra Pradesh</li> <li>• Karnataka</li> </ul>
<b>Governors who have been Chief Ministers of other States</b>	<b>Total: 05</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shri K. C. Reddy (Mysore)</li> <li>• Shri C. M. Poonacha (Coorg)</li> <li>• Dr. B. D. Sharma (Haryana)</li> <li>• Shri R. P. Gupta (U.P.)</li> <li>• Shri Ram Naresh Yadav (U.P.)</li> </ul>
<b>Governors who have been both Governors and CMs of other States</b>	<b>Total: 03</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shri C. M. Poonacha</li> <li>• Governor - Orissa</li> <li>• CM - Coorg(Mysore)</li> <li>• Dr. B. D. Sharma</li> <li>• Governor - Orissa</li> <li>• CM - Haryana</li> <li>• Smt. Anandiben Patel</li> <li>• Governor (Acting) - Chhattisgarh CM - Gujarat</li> </ul>
<b>Only Governor who has been Speaker of the Lok Sabha</b>	Dr. Bal Ram Jakhar (7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha)
<b>Only Governors who received State and National Level Best Teacher Award-</b>	Smt Anandi Ben Patel
<b>Number of Governors who were members of the Constituent Assembly</b>	<b>Total: 04</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. B. P. Sitaramayya</li> <li>• Shri H. V. Pataskar</li> <li>• Shri K. C. Reddy</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shri C. M. Poonacha</li> </ul>
Governors who have <b>authored books</b>	<b>Total:</b> 04 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. B. P. Sitaramayya</li> <li>• Dr. Bal Ram Jakhar</li> <li>• Shri Ram Naresh Yadav</li> <li>• Smt. Anandiben Patel</li> </ul>
<b>Only Governor</b> having received an <b>international scholarship</b>	Smt. S. Grewal (British Council, for London School of Economics)

## Legislative Assembly

### Composition



#### Strength

- **Representatives directly chosen by the people** on the basis of universal adult franchise make up the legislative assembly.
- **Maximum strength:** 500
- **Minimum strength:** 60 depending on the state's Population.

#### Territorial Constituencies

- Split into **geographical seats** for the purpose of direct elections to the parliament.
- Done in such a way that the **ratio of each constituency's population to the number of seats** given to it is consistent across the state.

#### # Reservation of seats for SCs and STs

- Based on population ratios.
- Under the **95th Amendment Act of 2009**, this reservation is to last **until 2020**.

#### # Readjustment after each census

- The **Parliament** has the **authority to decide on the authority and how** it will be exercised.
- **According to the 84th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2001**, the **seats allocated** to the State Legislative Assembly will be **reallocated** on the **basis of Census after 2026**.
- The **number of State Legislative Assembly members** in Madhya Pradesh is **231** (230 elected + 1 nominated), in **which 82 seats** have been **reserved** for **Scheduled Castes** and **Scheduled Tribes** under Article 332.
- The **first assembly** of **Madhya Pradesh** was formed on **November 1, 1956**, which was **dissolved** on **March 5, 1957**.
- Its **first and final sittings** were **concluded on 17 December, 1956 and 17 January, 1957**, respectively.
- The second assembly was formed on April 1, 1957, which was dissolved on March 7, 1962.

#### Duration

- **Term:** 5 years; from the date of its first meeting following general elections.
- **Dissolution:**
  - **Automatic:** Expiry of 5 years
  - **Governor:** can dissolve the assembly at any time and conduct fresh elections

- **Emergency:** Terms can be **extended during the period of national emergency** by a law of Parliament **for 1 year at a time** (for any length of time).
  - **Term of Extension:** cannot continue beyond a period of six months after the emergency has ceased to operate.
    - the assembly should be re-elected within six months after the revocation of emergency.

## Membership of State Legislature

### Qualifications

#### As Per Constitution of India

- He must be an **Indian citizen**.
- He must **take an oath or affirmation** before a person designated by the Election Commission for this purpose.
  - True faith and allegiance to the Indian Constitution.
  - To protect India's sovereignty and territorial integrity
- In the case of the **legislative assembly**, he must be at least **25 years** old.
- He must also meet the **requirements set down by Parliament**.

### Disqualifications

#### As Per Constitution: if he is

- on a **profit-making position** in the Central or state government (unless as a minister or other position exempted by the state legislature),
- of **unsound mind** and has been **declared so by a court**,
- an **undischarged insolvent**,
- **not a citizen of India** or has voluntarily acquired the citizenship of a foreign state or is subject to any acknowledgement of allegiance to a foreign state,
- **disqualified under any law** passed by Parliament.

### Oath or Affirmation

A member of the state legislature swears:

- To bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India;
- To uphold the sovereignty and integrity of India;
- To faithfully discharge the duty of his office.

**If he Doesn't take oath:** He cannot vote and participate in the proceedings of the House and does not become eligible to the privileges and immunities of the state legislature

### Vacation of Seats

- **Disqualification:** If any of the disqualifications apply to a member of the state legislature, his seat falls vacant.
- **Resignation:** A member can resign his or her position by writing to the Chairman of the Legislative Council or the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, depending on the situation. When the resignation is accepted, the seat becomes vacant.
- **Absence:** A House of the state legislature has the authority to declare a member's seat empty if he fails to attend all of its meetings for a period of sixty days without permission.
- **Other Cases:** A member of the state legislature must resign from one of the two houses.
  - If his election is deemed unlawful by a court,
  - He is expelled by the House,
  - He is elected to the office of president or vice president,
  - If he gets appointed to the office of the governor of a state.





## Presiding Officers of the State Legislatures

### Speaker of Assembly

- **Election:** The Speaker is chosen from among the members of the assembly.
- **Term:** Typically, the Speaker serves for the duration of the assembly. In any of the following three situations, however, he vacates his office sooner:
  - If he **ceases to be a member** of the assembly;
  - If he **resigns in writing to the deputy speaker**;
  - If he is **removed from office by a resolution** voted by a majority of the assembly's members. A resolution like this may only be **moved after 14 days of notice**.

### # Powers of Speaker

- He **keeps the assembly in order and maintains decorum** in order to conduct business and regulate activities. This is his main responsibility, and he has the last say on the matter.
- He is the **final arbiter of**
  - The Indian Constitution's provisions.
  - The rules of procedure and conduct of business of Assembly,
  - The legislative precedents, within the assembly.
- In the **absence of a quorum, he adjourns or suspends the assembly**.
- In the first case, he does not vote. In the **event of a tie, he can cast the deciding vote**.
- On the leader of the House's request, he can **authorize a secret sitting of the House**.
- He is the one who **determines whether a bill is a Money Bill or not**, and his judgement is definitive.
- He **decides whether a member of the assembly should be disqualified for defection under the provisions of the Tenth Schedule**.
- He **picks the chairman of all of the assembly's committees and oversees their operations**.
- The Business Advisory Committee, the Rules Committee, and the General-Purpose Committee are all chaired by him.

### Deputy Speaker of Assembly

**Election:** Elected by the assembly itself from amongst its members.

He is elected after the election of the Speaker has taken place.

**Term:** Like the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker remains in office usually during the life of the assembly.

- He also vacates his office earlier in any of the following three cases:
  - If he **ceases to be a member of the assembly**;
  - If he **resigns by writing to the speaker**;
  - If he is **removed by a resolution passed** by a majority of all the then members of the assembly.
    - Such a resolution can be moved only after giving 14 days' advance notice.

### # Powers and Duties

- When the **Speaker's office is vacant**, the Deputy Speaker assumes those responsibilities.
- When the **Speaker is unable to attend a meeting of the Assembly, he fills in for him**.
- He **possesses all of the Speaker's authority in both situations**.
- A **panel of chairman is Nominated by the Speaker from among the members**.
  - In the absence of the Speaker or the Deputy Speaker, any of them might preside over the assembly.
  - When presiding, he has the same powers as the speaker.
  - He will remain in office until a new chairman panel is appointed.

<b>Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly Speakers</b>			
<b>S.NO.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Tenure</b>	
1.	Pt. Kunjilal Dubey	01 November 1956 -	01 July 1957
2.	Pt. Kunjilal Dubey	02 July 1957 -	26 March 1962
3.	Pt. Kunjilal Dubey	27 March 1962 -	07 March 1967
4.	Shri Kashiprasad Pandey	24 March 1967 -	24 March 1972
5.	Shri Tejal Tembhare	25 March 1972 -	15 August 1972
6.	Shri Gulsher Ahmad	16 August 1972 -	14 July 1977
7.	Shri Mukund Sakharam	15 July 1977 -	02 July 1980
8.	Shri YagyaDatt Sharma	03 July 1980 -	19 July 1983
9.	Shri Ram Kishore Shukla	05 March 1984 -	13 March 1985
10.	Shri Rajendra Prasad Shukla	16 March 1985 -	04 March 1990
11.	Prof. Brijmohan Mishra	20 March 1990 -	22 December 1993
12.	Shri Srinivas Tiwari	24 December 1993 -	01 February 1999
13.	Shri Srinivas Tiwari	02 February 1999 -	11 December 2003
14.	Shri Ishwardas Rohani	16 December 2003 -	04 January 2009
15.	Shri Ishwardas Rohani	07 January 2009 -	05 December 2013
16.	Dr. Sitasharan Sharma	09 January 2014 -	07 January 2019
17.	N.P. Prajapati	8 January 2019 -	23 March 2020
18.	Jagdish Devrg	24 March 2020 -	02 July 2020
19.	Rameshwar Sharma	02 July 2020 -	21 February 2021
20.	Girish Gautam	21 February 2021 -	Till Now

### Important Facts

- **Pt. Kunjilal Dubey** was the **First Speaker** of Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly and He **remained** in the office **for the Longest duration**.
- **Vishnu Vinayak sarwate** was the **first Deputy Speaker** of Madhya Pradesh legislative Assembly
- **Bherulal Patidar** remained in the office of **deputy speaker for the longest duration**

### Madhya Pradesh: Assembly Hall

- The building of **Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly** is located in **Bhopal (Arera Hills)**.
- **Earlier**, meetings were held in **Minto Hall in 1909**. The Minto Hall was **built by Shah Jahan Begum**.
- The **Construction work** of **new assembly hall** began on **14 September 1984**. It was **inaugurated** by the then **President Dr. Shankardayal Sharma** on **03 August 1996**.
- This **building** was **named as Indira Gandhi Legislative Assembly**, where **architect** was **Charles Correa**.
- At the **entrance** of the assembly, a **huge painting** named **Jeevan Vriksha** has been **Painted**, in which the **historical sites** of the **state** have been **displayed** and the **structure of the Kund** is **engraved** on its **main entrance**. The **walls** of the entrance has been **Painted by the famous painter Jangarh Singh Shyam**.
- This **new Assembly building** has also **received the world famous Aga Khan Award** in the **field of architecture**.