



## KERALA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEDIA AND PARLIAMENTARY STUDY CENTRE (PARLIAMENTARY STUDIES)

### Model Topics

#### Parliamentary Democracy

1. Features of Parliamentary Government, its merits and demerits.
2. Milestones in the parliamentary history of India.
3. Growth and Development of Parliamentary Democracy in the world – A Sketch.
4. Milestones in the development of the British Parliament.
5. Features of a good Constitution.
6. The philosophy of the preamble of the Indian Constitution.
7. The Charter Acts.
8. The Government of India Acts.
9. History of the Legislative Bodies of Travancore .
10. Land Reforms Acts of Kerala and the IX Schedule of the Constitution.
11. Controversies and Constitutional Amendments.
12. Major Legislations of the Kerala Legislative Assembly.

#### Legislature, Executive & Judiciary – Constitutional Provisions

1. Different types of Constitution.
2. Election of the President of India.
3. Powers of the President of India.
4. Powers of the Governor of a State.

5. The process of removal of President from his office.
6. Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.
7. Provisions for Independence of Judiciary.
8. Powers of the High Court.
9. Subordinate Judiciary and Tribunals.
10. Conditions for raising a question of privilege in the KLA.
11. Election Commission of India.
12. Parliamentary Privileges.
13. Universal Adult Franchise.
14. Anti defection laws in India.

### **Laws and Rules Regulating Practice and Procedure of Parliament and State Legislature.**

1. Powers and Functions of Speaker of KLA.
2. Questions and Short Notice Questions.
3. Half an hour discussion.
4. Adjournment Motion.
5. Calling Attention to Matters of Urgent Public Importance.
6. Motion of No Confidence in Council of Ministers.
7. Subject Committees.
8. Financial Committees.
9. Role of Subject Committees in subordinate legislation.
10. Legislative control over Executive in financial matters through Financial Committees.
11. The role played by the Committee on Environment in resolving the environmental problems of the State.
12. Secret sitting of Parliament and Legislature and its relevance.
13. The relevance of Question hour in Parliamentary proceedings.
14. Preparation and presentation of Reports by Committees.
15. Relationship between Legislature Committees and the Public.

## Legislative procedure and procedure in financial matters

1. Supreme legislation and Subordinate legislation.
2. Principles of legislation.
3. Seventh Schedule of the Constitution/ Legislative competence/  
    Doctrine of pith and substance/ colourable legislation etc.
4. Classification of Bills.
5. Features of a Bill.
6. Stages of enactment of a Law.
  7. Control over delegated legislation.
8. Cut Motions and the Conditions for their admissibility.
9. The Budget.
10. President/Governor's role in legislation.
11. Distribution of legislative Powers
12. Laying of Act and Rules
13. Drafting of bill
14. Repeal and savings.