







Election of

Rajya Sabha members

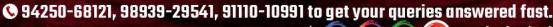


 The election process for 56 Rajya Sabha seats in 15 states has ended. Voting was held in three states while 41 candidates from 12 states were elected unopposed to t he Rajya Sabha.

Out of 56 Rajya Sabha seats, BJP has won 30 seats.

How many members are in Rajya Sabha?
Rajya Sabha is the upper house of the Parliament.
There are a total of 245 seats, out of which 12
members are nominated by the President while elections are held for 233 members.























WHO CAN VOTE?

The number of MPs from which state will be in the Rajya Sabha is decided according to the population of that state.

The general public votes in the Lok Sabha elections, whereas for the Rajya Sabha, only the elected members of the state assemblies can vote in the elections.

VOTING PROCESS

While there is a secret ballot in the Lok Sabha elections, there is an open ballot system for the Rajya Sabha. Cross-voting is detected in this.







VOTING PROCESS



- To understand this, let us take the example of Uttar Pradesh. The total number of MLAs here is 403. Now to decide how many MLAs support each member should have to reach the Rajya Sabha, the total number of MLAs is divided by adding one to the number of members to be elected.
- If 10 Rajya Sabha members are to be selected from Uttar Pradesh, then if 1 is added to 10, the number will become 11.
- Now the total members in the Assembly is 403, so dividing it by 11 comes to 36.66, that is, to become a Rajya Sabha MP from Uttar Pradesh, a candidate will need 37 primary votes.



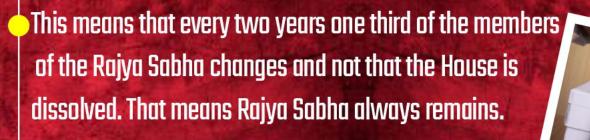








Members of the Rajya Sabha are elected for six years. The tenure of one-third of these members is completed every two years.



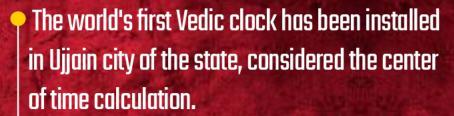






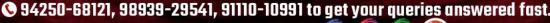


World's first Vedic clock



- ◆ PM Modi has launched it virtually on March 1.
- the world's first Vikramaditya Vedic clock.
- This Vedic clock has been installed on an 85 feet high tower at Jantar Mantar in Ujjain.



























- The world's first digital watch, a 10×12 Vedic clock, which along with telling Indian Standard Time (IST) and Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), will also give information about Panchang and 30 Muhurtas.
- This clock calculates the time from one sunrise to the next and divides the period between two sunrises into 30 parts. Each hour of these 30 parts will have 48 minutes as per Indian Standard Time.
- This clock will display 30 Muhurta and all other time calculations of the Vedic Hindu calendar.
- Experts believe that three centuries ago the world's standard time was decided from Ujjain.
- There is still a clock in the city that can be used to keep track of time. The clock's readings will begin at sunrise at 0:00 and will operate for 30 hours, each of 48 minutes.















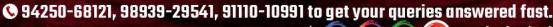






- President Draupadi Murmu has appointed Justice

 AM Khanwilkar as the new Lokpal.
- Along with the Lokpal, six other members have also been appointed.
- Judicial Members: Justice Lingappa Narayana Swamy, Justice Sanjay Yadav and Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi.
- Other members: Ajay Tirkey, Pankaj Kumar and Sushil Chandra.
- The Chairperson and members of Lokpal are appointed by the President.
- Apart from a Chairman, the Lokpal may have eight members, four judicial and four non-judicial.
- The tenure of the Lokpal Chairperson and members is five years or till the age of 70 years.























What is Lokpal?

- There is an anti-corruption authority.
- Lokpal is responsible for investigating allegations of corruption at the national level.
- Lokayukta is responsible for investigating allegations of corruption at the state level.
- The age of the Lokpal (Chairman or Member) should not be less than 45 years on the date of assuming charge.













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