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Statutory & Regulatory Bodies — GS-II

Previous Year Questions (verbatim, official syllabus)

14 Questions

Year range: 2013–2025

Verbatim from official UPSC papers

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2025 GS-II 10M · 150W

Q9. Comment on the need of administrative tribunals as compared to the court system. Assess the impact of the recent tribunal reforms through rationalization of tribunals made in 2021.

2024 GS-II 10M · 150W

Q8. Explain and distinguish between Lok Adalats and Arbitration Tribunals. Whether they entertain civil as well as criminal cases?

2023 GS-II 10M · 250W

Q11. Discuss the role of the Competition Commission of India in containing the abuse of dominant position by the Multi-National Corporations in India. Refer to the recent decisions.

2021 GS-II 10M · 150W

Q10. Though the Human Rights Commissions have contributed immensely to the protection of human rights in India, yet they have failed to assert themselves against the mighty and powerful. Analyzing their structural and practical limitations, suggest remedial measures.

2020 GS-II 15M · 150W

Q9. Which steps are required for constitutionalization of a Commission? Do you think imparting constitutionality to the National Commission for Women would ensure greater gender justice and empowerment in India? Give reasons.

2020 GS-II 10M · 150W

Q10. "Recent amendments to the Right to Information Act will have profound impact on the autonomy and independence of the Information Commission." Discuss.

2019 GS-II 10M · 150W

Q9. "The Central Administrative Tribunal, which was established for redressal of grievances and complaints by or against central government employees, nowadays is exercising its powers as an independent judicial authority." Explain.

2018 GS-II 10M · 150W

Q8. Whether National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC) can enforce the implementation of constitutional reservation for the Scheduled Castes in the religious minority institutions? Examine.

2017 GS-II 15M · 150W

Q9. Is the National Commission for Women able to strategize and tackle the problems that women face at both public and private spheres? Give reasons in support of your answer.

2016 GS-II 12.5M · 150W

Q9. What is a quasi-judicial body? Explain with the help of concrete examples.

2015 GS-II 12.5M · 150W

Q9. For achieving the desired objectives, it is necessary to ensure that regulatory institutions remain independent and autonomous. Discuss in the light of experiences in recent past.

2014 GS-II 12.5M · 200W

Q7. The setting up of a Rail Tariff Authority to regulate fares will subject the cash strapped Indian Railways to demand subsidy for obligation to operate non-profitable routes and services. Taking into account the experience in the power sector, discuss if the proposed reform is expected to benefit the consumers, the Indian Railways or the private container operators.

2013 GS-II 10M · 200W

Q8. The product diversification of financial institutions and insurance companies, resulting in overlapping of products and services strengthens the case for the merger of the two regulatory agencies, namely SEBI and IRDA. Justify.

2013 GS-II 10M · 200W

Q17. 'A national Lokpal, however strong it may be, cannot resolve the problems of immorality in public affairs.' Discuss.

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