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**FIVE YEAR B.A., LL.B./B.B.A., LL.B./B.Com., LL.B. (HONS.) DEGREE
EXAMINATION, MARCH 2025**

Seventh Semester

F.L. 21—LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT INCLUDING PANCHAYATH ADMINISTRATION

(2021 Admissions—Regular/2018 to 2020 Admissions—Supplementary)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

Write short notes on any five of the following.

Each question carries 3 marks.

1. Village Panchayats in ancient India.
2. Balwant Raj Mehta Committee Report.
3. Powers and functions of Panchayat Secretary.
4. State Finance Commission.
5. Dissolution of Panchayats.
6. Tribunal for Local Bodies.

(5 × 3 = 15 marks)

Part B

Answer any three of the following problems.

Each question carries 10 marks.

7. "The local self-government system in India has not proved to be effective instrument of governance." Comment.
8. Explain the role and functions of State Election Commission.
9. Briefly discuss the scope of judicial control over Local Self-Government Institutions.
10. Write a critical essay on the functioning of *Gram Nyayalayas*.

(3 × 10 = 30 marks)

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Part C

Answer any two of the following questions.

Each question carries 15 marks.

11. Explain the nature, scope and spirit of Article 40 of the Constitution of India and trace the historical evolution of Panchayat Raj Institutions during the post-Constitution period.
12. Discuss in detail the powers and functions of various Panchayat Institutions under the Kerala Panchayat Raj Act, 1994.
13. Explain the statutory provisions relating to *Ombudsman* for Local Self-Government Institutions in the state of Kerala.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)