

# **SATISH CHANDRA MEMORIAL SCHOOL**

## **CIVICS – PANCHAYATI RAJ**

### **CASE STUDY:**

The Panchayati Raj System is the local self government in India. It was introduced by a Constitutional Amendment in 1992. The word 'Raj' means rule and 'Panchayat' means assembly of five. The Panchayati Raj System is a process through which people participate in their own government.

Women play an important role in the Panchayati Raj System. In 1993, 33% seats in the Panchayats were reserved for women. It was one of the important steps taken towards the empowerment of women. In 2009, Central Government increased the reservation from 33% to 50%.

**READ THE ABOVE PARAGRAPHS AND TRY TO ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.**

- 1. Why the Panchayati Raj System is also called as Local Self Government?**
- 2. How do the people participate in the formation of the Government?**
- 3. What are the roles of the women in participation in forming the government?**
- 4. Can women are also be a 'Sarpanch'? Justify your answer with valuable examples.**
- 5. Make a flow chart of the Panchayati Raj System with its three levels.**