

RAJASTHAN STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION



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HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

- **Human Rights Commission is an autonomous body to protect and promote basic rights of citizens. Its primary aim is to help every deprived person to acquire equal status in society.**
- **By the Parliamentary act there is National Human Rights Commission at New Delhi and state has State Human Rights Commission. This commission has power equivalent to a Civil Court. It has equivalent power to hear the plea of sufferer and give recommendation to concerned department to work on it. Its recommendation has a high stake and non performance on its recommendation can lead to questioning in the Legislative Assembly. Otherwise the Government has to give reason for non compliance. The commission or the other party can file petition in the High Court.**

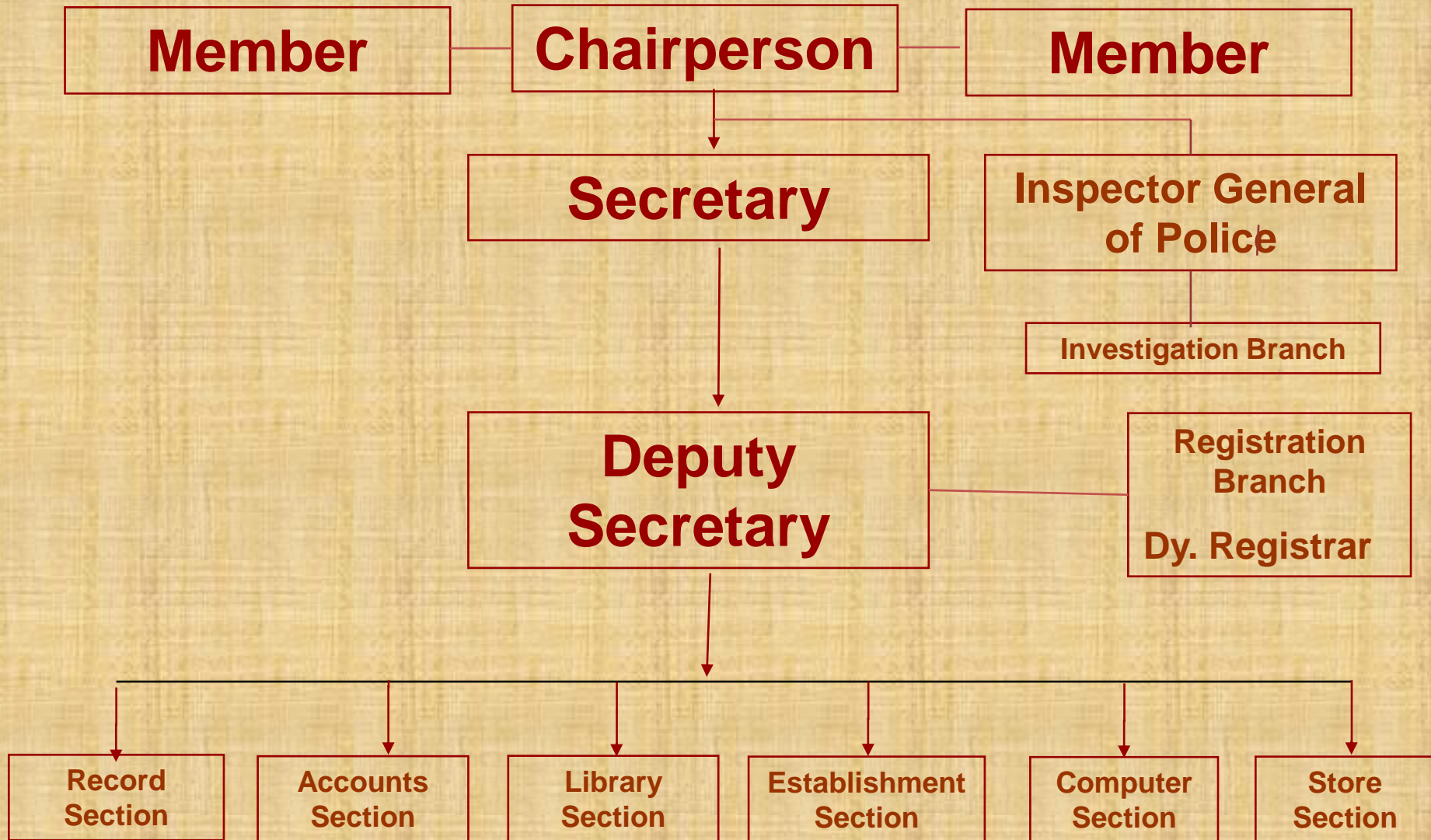
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- **The State Government of Rajasthan issued a Notification on January 18, 1999 for the constitution of the State Commission having one full time Chairperson and 4 Members in accordance with the provisions of The Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993. The Commission was fully constituted by appointment of the Chairperson along with the Members and became functional from March 2000. The main mandate of the State Commission is to function as a watch dog for human rights in the State. Under the 1993 Act, human rights are defined in Section 2 (d) and are those justiciable rights which can be enforced in a court of law in India.**
- **The Rajasthan State Human Rights Commission is reconstituted on 6th July 2005. One of the leading State Commissions in the country. In a short span of about four years it has achieved many milestones in its mission for the protection and promotion of Human Rights.**

PRIMARY CATEGORIES OF HUMAN RIGHTS

- **Civil Rights**
- **Political Rights**
- **Economic Rights**
- **Social Rights**
- **Cultural Rights**

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



PERSONNEL ASSISTING

- **The Commission presently has a sanctioned strength of regular staff members. In addition, experts and some other persons are engaged on contract on need basis.**
- **Commission's reach greatly enhanced by appointment of Special Rapporteurs and constitution of Core Groups.**

DISTINCT FEATURES OF RSHRC

Fully compliant with Paris Principles

- **Autonomous**: RSHRC is an autonomous and statutory organization as it has been created by an Act of Assembly.
- **Independent**: RSHRC is independent in taking decisions and expressing its own views on different human rights issues.
- **Wide mandate**: RSHRC has wide mandate and an array of functions catering to all sections of the society.

ISSUES IN HUMAN RIGHTS

- **RIGHTS PERSPECTIVE FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE**
- **CORRUPTION AS VIOLATOR OF HUMAN RIGHTS**
- **RIGHTS PERSPECTIVE AS CENTER STAGE TO DEVELOPMENT AGENDA**

FUNCTIONALITIES OF HUMAN RIGHTS

This Commission shall perform all or any of the following functions, namely:-

- (a) inquire, suo motu or on a petition presented to it by a victim or any person on his behalf (or on a direction or order of any Court), into complaint of
 - ❖ (i) violation of human rights or abetment thereof; or
 - ❖ (ii) negligence in the prevention of such violation, by a public servant;

- (b) intervene in any proceeding involving any allegation of violation of human rights pending before a court with the approval of such court

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- (c) to visit, notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, any jail or other institution under the control of the State Government, where persons are detained or lodged for purposes of treatment, reformation or protection, for the study of the living conditions of the inmates thereof and make recommendations thereon to the Government;
- (d) review the safeguards provided by or under the Constitution or any law for the time being in force for the protection of human rights and recommend measures for their effective implementation;
- (e) review the factors, including acts of terrorism that inhibit the enjoyment of human rights and recommend appropriate remedial.

NEED FOR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

- To develop fully the human personality and the sense its dignity.
- To develop attitudes and behaviour to promote respect for the rights of others.
- To ensure genuine gender equality and equal opportunities for women in all spheres.
- To promote understanding and tolerance among diverse national, ethnic, religious, linguistic and other groups.
- To strengthen respect for rights of a human being and fundamental freedom.
- To empower people to participate actively in the life of a free society.
- To promote democracy, development, social justice and communal harmony among citizens.