

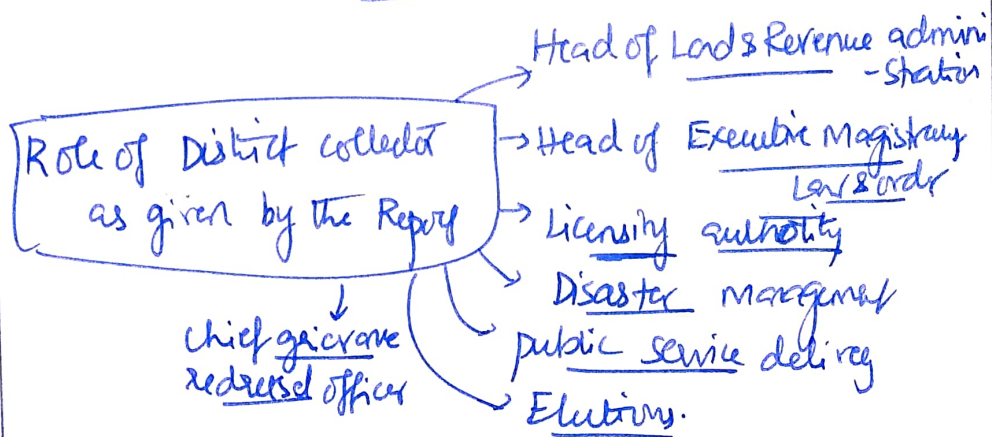
[982] - Governance.

4. There is a need to restructure the district collector's Role.
Discuss.

Vidhi Centre report - "From Rule by Law to Rule of Law" - 25 reforms for decolonisation.
from India's legal institutions - one such reform is
Role of district collector.

District collector

15th Report of 2nd Administrative Reform Commission - 'District Administration'



Questions on 'Role' - [District collector / District Magistrate]

- Article 50 of Directive principles - Separate Executive from Judiciary. CPL also prevents collector from involving in criminal cases. Recent police reforms also remove certain clauses related to District Magistrate.

yet, District collector - remains the overall incharge of Law & order in the district. He also performs other functions like licensing arms, incharge of jail/ prison, issue of detention in special acts. etc, This is reason for its ~~role~~ being ^{called} different in different States. Hence Most common work being - Development Scheme. He must be designated as 'Development Commissioner'

2. State insistence on 'collector raj': undermining the Elected Local bodies like panchayati Raj. Recent claims, the Local bodies reduced role of collector to advice, overall guidance. ~~yet~~ there is scope of making this office accountable to panchayati raj. This requires reform in the Institution.

3. Government's new policies - are uniformed. eg) 'one nation'; Hence there is also a need to ensure uniform designation/ role for District collector way forward.

Decolonising the Administrative Institutions must be the priority, before obtaining searched Amrit Kaul