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The Parliament

Article 79: Constitution of the Parliament

- There shall be a Parliament for the Union which shall consist of the President and the two Houses to be known respectively as the Council of States (the Rajya Sabha) and the House of the People (the Lok Sabha)
- Though the President is not a member of either House of the Parliament, yet like the British crown, he is an integral part of the Parliament and performs certain functions relating to its proceedings.

Functions of the Parliament

- The most important function of the Parliament is to legislate i.e.. Make legislations for the development which benefits the society.
- The second most important function is to exercise control over the Executive.
- The Parliament provides the Council of Ministers as the Ministers are the Members of the Parliament.
- It has financial control over the Executive. The Parliament is the sole authority to raise taxes.
- It provides an opportunity to deliberate on various policies and measures before their implementation. Thus, the Parliament is also an authoritative source of information, collected and disseminated through the debates and through the specific medium of 'Questions' to the Ministers.

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