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Q14

To enhance the quality of democracy in India the Election Commission of India has proposed electoral reforms in 2016. What are the suggested reforms and how far are they significant to make democracy successful? (250 words).

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2017 · GS II · 15 marks · Constitutional Bodies

Appointment to various Constitutional posts, powers, functions and responsibilities of various Constitutional Bodies.

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Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round. This sheet is for revision, not a substitute for the model answer.

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Article 324

Superintendence, direction and control of elections in the **Election Commission of India**.

Charge-sheet disqualification proposal

ECI view that framing of charges in heinous offences should bar candidature, subject to safeguards.

Party expenditure ceiling

Candidate limits exist in law; the Commission asked for a matching cap and audit of party spend.

EVM totaliser

Device to mix several booth results so that community-wise targeting from booth data is harder.

Paid news

ECI long sought to make paid news a distinct electoral corrupt practice with timely penalty.

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