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Q15

Do Department -related Parliamentary Standing Committees keep the administration on its toes and inspire reverence for parliamentary control? Evaluate the working of such committees with suitable examples.

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Parliament and State legislatures - structure, functioning, conduct of business, powers and privileges and issues arising out of these.

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1993 DRSC system

Present department-related standing committee architecture covering Union ministries in clusters.

Twenty-four committees

Approximate working number of DRSCs shared between the two Houses.

Demands for Grants

Annual financial scrutiny that is the committees' most regular hold on a ministry.

Standing Committee on Finance / Defence / Health

Illustrative committees that have grilled tax, acquisition and public-health administrations.

Action Taken reports

Ministry replies to recommendations; the soft end of control unless the House follows up.

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