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Do constitutional bodies like the National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC) and the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST) possess adequate enforcement powers to secure substantive social equality? Suggest measures to enhance their institutional effectiveness.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2026 · GS II · 10 marks · Constitutional Bodies

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

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National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC)

Established under **Article 338** of the Constitution to investigate safeguards provided for Scheduled Castes.

National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST)

Evolved out of the 65th **Constitutional Amendment Act** and later bifurcated under **Article 338A** in 2003.

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