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Q8(a)

"The success of electoral democracy can partly be attributed to the status and role of the Election Commission of India." Explain

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Statutory Institutions/Commissions: Election Commission, CAG, Finance Commission, UPSC, NCSC, NCST, NCBC, National Human Rights Commission, National Commission for Women and National Commission for Minorities, NITI Aayog.

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Article 324

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

Model Code of Conduct

Non-statutory (in origin) campaign norms enforced by the ECI, especially against the ruling party's official machinery.

CEC tenure

Chief Election Commissioner removable in the manner of a Supreme Court judge, a design for independence.

Emergency, 1975-77

Showed that electoral democracy can be suspended; the Commission's status is not self-executing without political will.

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