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Q8(c)

**Gram Sabha in the Panchayati Raj system is a forum which gives expression to the collective wisdom, aspirations, and the will of the people. Comment.**

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Indian Nationalism: Political Strategies of India's Freedom Struggle; Perspectives on Indian National Movement; Gandhi, Tagore, Nehru, Ambedkar, and the socialists.

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**73rd Amendment, 1992**

Inserted Part IX, giving panchayats and the Gram Sabha constitutional status and listing **Eleventh Schedule** subjects for possible devolution.

**Article 243A**

Leaves the Gram Sabha's exact powers to state legislatures, which is why practice varies widely across India.

**PESA, 1996**

In scheduled areas, Gram Sabhas were given a stronger statutory claim over resources and custom, a sharper form of the same local-will idea.

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