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**Q6(b)**

**When there are multiple stakeholders of power, conversation and consensus become the natural ingredients of governance. Analyze with respect to coalition politics**

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Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round.

**Sarkaria Commission on Centre-State Relations (1988)**

Emphasized the necessity of consultation and consensus between the Union and States to preserve federal equilibrium.

**National Front Common Minimum Programme (1989)**

Institutionalized the CMP mechanism to align ideologically divergent coalition partners on shared governance goals.

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