



Concept Note

For a Decisive, Transparent Bharat– Thanks to the Vision of PM Modi and Shri Kovind

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One Nation One Election: Kovind Committee Report - The High-Level Committee (HLC) has submitted its report on One Nation, One Election to the President. The committee recommends holding simultaneous elections at all three levels of government, which would reduce costs, improve governance, and streamline the election process.

Key Points

1. **Constitutional Amendments:** The committee has recommended amendments to Articles 83 and 172 of the Constitution.
2. **Two-Stage Process:** Lok Sabha and state legislative assembly elections would be held simultaneously, followed by local body elections within 100 days.
3. **Single Electoral Roll and Voter ID:** The committee has proposed creating a unified electoral roll and voter ID.
4. **Meeting Logistical Requirements:** The Election Commission must plan and estimate logistical requirements.

Benefits of One Nation One Election

1. **Reduced Expenditure:** Holding simultaneous elections would reduce election expenses for political parties and candidates.
2. **Improved Governance:** Simultaneous elections allow elected governments to focus on governance.
3. **Streamlined Election Process:** Simultaneous elections would streamline the election process.
4. **Fair and Transparent Elections:** Simultaneous elections would ensure fair and transparent elections.
5. **Promoting National Unity:** Simultaneous elections would promote national unity.

Challenges

1. **Holding Mid-Term Elections:** Arranging mid-term elections would be challenging.
2. **Constitutional Changes:** Constitutional changes would be necessary to hold simultaneous elections.
3. **Logistical Challenges:** Holding simultaneous elections would be logistically challenging.
4. **Political Consensus:** Obtaining political consensus would be necessary.
5. **Local Issues May Be Overlooked:** Local issues may be overlooked in simultaneous elections.

Way Forward

1. **Broad Consensus:** The government must obtain consensus from all political parties and state governments.
2. **Strengthening the Role of the Election Commission:** Enhancing the Election Commission's monitoring capabilities would ensure fair and transparent elections.
3. **Electronic Voter ID:** Using IT-enabled tools would improve the accuracy and integrity of voter IDs.
4. **State Funding of Elections:** State funding of elections would ensure transparency and fairness in the election process.
5. **Conclusion:** Implementing the One Nation One Election concept would require broad consensus and deliberation.

Sincerely,



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