Chapter - 06 Political Science

Rural Administration

- India is a vast country with a vast land area.
- There are more than six lakh village in India.
- It is not provide basic necessities like water, electricity and roads to all these villages.
- To keep villages on track, it is necessary to maintain law and oarder in villages and keep a record of its land and revenue. This is the task of rural administration.

• Dispute: Police Station

- (i) In case of a dispute, in an area people go to the police station.
- (ii) A particular police station works for a particular area and all people living in that area are to report any crime, theft, accident or injury, etc. in their own police station.
- (iii) In a dispute when a person files a report in the police station it is called First Information Report (FIR).

• Maintenance of Land Records

- (i) The village Patwari keeps a record of the land areas kept by people.
- (ii) A Patwari deals with measuring land and maintaining the land records belonging to different villages.
- (iii) The village Patwari is also responsible for the collection of land revenue from the village.
- (iv) The Patwari is assisted by other officers.

• Rural Administration: How does it Work Efficiently:

- (i) India is divided into states and union territories. These territories are in turn divided into districts.
- (ii) In order to run the administration, the district comprises of adjacent villages and towns. The district headquarters are locted at a central place. The revenue department manages all work related to land.
- (iii) The district collector is the head of the revenue department. Tehsildar, Naib tehsildar, etc. assist him in his work.

• Hindu Law (Hindu Succession Amendment Act 2005)

- (i) In ancient times only sons got a share in their father's property.
- (ii) After the Hindu Succession Amendment Act 2005 women are entitled to an equal share in their father's property.