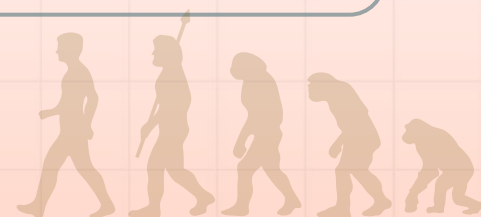




Chief Minister And State Council Of Ministers

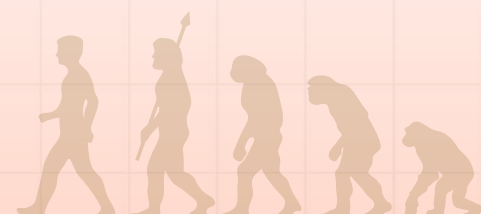
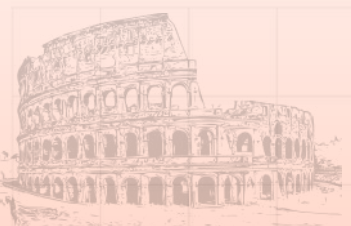
- **Chief Minister** - De facto or real head of the State.
- **Article 164** - Chief Minister appointed by Governor.
- **Membership** - May be member of either House of State Legislature.
- **Usually selected from** - State Legislative Assembly.
- **Oath** - Administered by Governor.
- **Term** - Pleasure of Governor.
- **Salary and allowances** - Decided by State Legislature.
- **Ministers appointed by** - Governor on Chief Minister's recommendation.
- **Portfolio allocation** - Done by Chief Minister.
- **CM resignation or death** - Council of Ministers automatically dissolves.
- **Article 167** - CM communicates decisions and information to Governor.
- **CM advises Governor** - On Advocate General, SPSC, SEC and other appointments.
- **State Legislature role** - CM advises summoning, prorogation and dissolution.















- **Other powers** - Chairman of State Planning Board, Vice-Chairman of Zonal Council by rotation, chief spokesperson, political head of services.
- **Article 163** - Council of Ministers aids and advises Governor.
- **Governor's discretion question** - Governor's decision is final.
- **Ministerial advice to Governor** - Cannot be inquired into by any court.
- **Article 164** - Appointment and rules of ministers.
- **Tribal Welfare Minister** - Required in Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha.
- **94th Amendment Act, 2006** - Excluded Bihar from Tribal Welfare Minister list.
- **Council strength maximum** - 15% of State Legislative Assembly.
- **Minimum ministers** - 12 including Chief Minister.
- **91st Amendment Act, 2003** - Added ministerial size limit and defection-related disqualification.
- **Collective responsibility** - To State Legislative Assembly.
- **Minister must become MLA/MLC** - Within 6 months.
- **Individual responsibility** - To Governor.

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