



New Parliamentary Committees Formed for 2024-25

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The recent constitution of **six new Parliamentary Committees** by [Lok Sabha Speaker](#) marks a strategic move in overseeing government functions.

- These committees include the [Public Accounts Committee \(PAC\)](#) (overseeing government expenditure), **Estimates Committee** (examining government spending and ensuring efficiency), **Public Undertakings Committee** (focusing on the performance of public sector enterprises), and committees focused on the welfare of [Other Backward Classes \(OBCs\)](#), [Scheduled Castes \(SCs\)](#), and [Scheduled Tribes \(STs\)](#).
- The newly constituted committees have a tenure of one year and include members from both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha.
 - Unlike the previous Lok Sabha, where **committee formation often involved elections**, the committees in the 18th Lok Sabha have been primarily formed through consensus.
- Parliamentary committees, originating from the **British Parliament**, in India derive their authority from the **Indian Constitution under Article 105 (powers and privileges) and Article 118 (regulation of business)**.
- Parliamentary Committees in India are of **two kinds: Standing committees and Ad hoc committees**.
 - **Standing committees** are **permanent committees** that are constituted by the Parliament to deal with specific areas of public policy or administration.
 - Ad Hoc Committees are temporary Committees formed for specific tasks or to review particular bills. Dissolved after completing their objectives.

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