



Justice Satyendra Kumar Singh Sworn in as New Lokayukta of Madhya Pradesh

Why in News?

Recently, **Justice Satyendra Kumar Singh** was appointed as the new [Lokayukta \(anti-corruption ombudsman\)](#) of Madhya Pradesh.

Key Points

- He took the oath of office in the ceremony administered by **Governor Mangubhai Patel** at Raj Bhavan.

Lokayukta

- The Lokayukta is the **Indian Parliamentary Ombudsman**, executed into power, **through and for, each of the State Governments of India**.
- It is an **anti-corruption authority**. The object of the Lokayukta system in a state is to **investigate grievances, allegations against public servants**.
- The origin of the Lokayukta can be drawn to the Ombudsman in Scandinavian countries.
- In India, the **Administrative Reforms Commission, (1966-70)**, had recommended the creation of the **Lokpal at the Centre and Lokayukta in the states**.
- Before the passing of the **Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act in 2013**, several states in India passed laws for creating the Institution of 'Lokayukta'.
 - Maharashtra was first in this respect with its **Lokayukta body established in 1971**.

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