# The System of State Bodies of India

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#### President of India



- Ram Nath Kovind is the head of state of India 14th President of India.
- Kovind was nominated as a presidential candidate by the ruling <u>NDA</u> coalition and won the <u>2017 presidential</u> <u>election</u>.

### Qualification for Candidate

- No person shall be eligible for election as President unless he—
- (a) is a citizen of India,
- (b) has completed the age of thirty-five years, and
  - (c) is qualified for election as a member of the House of the People.
  - (d) he should not hold any office of profit under the Government of India

#### Manner of election of President

The President shall be elected by the members of an electoral college consisting of—

- (a) the elected members of both Houses of Parliament; and
- (b) the elected members of the Legislative Assemblies of the States.

#### Term of office of President

- The President shall hold office for a term of five years from the date on which he enters upon his office.
- Eligibility for re-election.—A person who holds, or who has held, office as President shall, subject to the other provisions of this Constitution, be eligible for re-election to that office.

#### **Functions of President**

- (1) to grant pardons, reprieves, respites or remissions of punishment or to suspend, remit or commute the sentence of any person convicted of any offence.(Article 72)
- (2)to promulgate Ordinances during recess of Parliament(Article 123)

#### Termination of President

- (a) the President may, by writing under his hand addressed to the Vice-President, resign his office;
- (b) the President may, for violation of the Constitution, be removed from office by impeachment in the manner;
- (c) the President shall, not with standing the expiration of his term, continue to hold office until his successor enters upon his office.

## Legislative Power

Council of
States
(Rajya Sabha)

Parliament of India

House of People (Lok Sabha)

Not More than 250 members

Not More than 545 members

## **Parliament**