

Presidential Powers

Notes to the teacher: The teacher may use one of two methods to transact the topic. **Method 1:** Self study

Method 2: Discussion

The teacher may begin the class by asking the students to point out which one of the following is the

1. Head of the State
2. Head of the Government or
3. Both

Options given

1. President of India
2. US President
3. British King
4. Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques (Saudi Arabia)

While the students guess, the teacher may discuss the

- powers of the Indian President
- why he is a nominal head
- compare his powers with other Presidential countries

(Nominal head: though all executive powers are bestowed on the President, he is bound by the Constitution to:

1. act on the advice of the Council of Ministers
2. enforce all orders passed by the Supreme Court

Method 1: Self study

Notes to the teacher: The teacher instructs the students to read through the topic and present it in class.

The class can be divided into two groups:

- Group A discusses the powers **of the President** and
- Group B analyzes why the **Indian President is a 'nominal head'** and **compares his position with heads of state in other countries**

Method 2: Discussion

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The teacher may ask the students to list out the powers of the President and create a mind map on the blackboard or in their notebooks.

The President – a nominal head

Notes to the teacher: The teacher may write the quote on the powers of the President by Dr. B R Ambedkar and ask them a few questions.

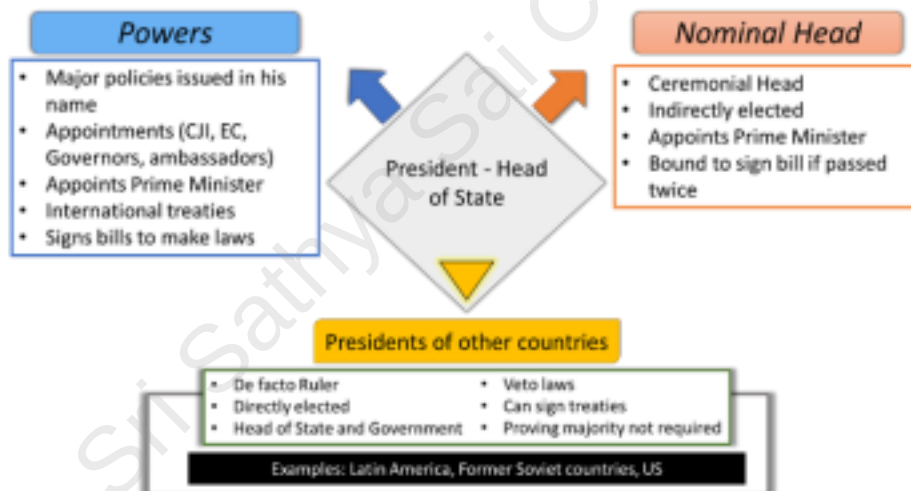
“Our President is merely a nominal figurehead and has no discretion and powers of administration.” - B R Ambedkar.

Q: Why did he feel that our President is merely a figurehead?

- The President only has ceremonial powers
- Not directly elected by the people
- Bill sent twice to the President, he is bound to sign

When does the President use his discretion?

To appoint the Prime Minister, when there is no clear-cut majority in the Lok Sabha. **Recap**



Geography integration: The students can label countries that follow a Presidential form of government on a world map and put it up in the corridor.



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Annexure to Master Lesson Plan

What is the purpose of this Master lesson Plan?	This Master Lesson Plan (MLP) prepared by Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini (SSSVV), covers the entire chapter for the given board. The MLP for the chapter given in the textbook is broken down into smaller modules known as assets. Any chapter can be taught using the 7 asset types in SSSVV methodology. Several different assets together complete the entire chapter. Depending on the requirement, each asset is supported by teaching aids such as animated presentation, audio, video, and learning aids such as worksheets. The MLP is for the teacher's preparation and the teaching aids are for use in the classroom.
How to use it?	You can prepare for your class with this MLP by following 3 simple steps: 1. Read your textbook; 2. Go through the information given in the assets (document & multimedia); 3. Prepare your teaching notes. Great! Now you are ready to transact the chapter.
Duration	Kindly note the duration given for each asset. Due care has been taken in planning the assets, to ensure the chapter is completed within the time specified by the Board. Note: Preparation time is not included in the asset duration. The teaching time depends on the duration of the teaching aids and is not impacted by the length of the MLP.
What is a 'Main Script' (MS) Asset?	The Main Script asset is there for explaining the main concepts of the chapter clearly. The information given in the textbook is simplified, organised and structured to give more clarity. Additionally, you may find a video or mnemonics or a graphic organiser to deepen the understanding of the concept.
How to teach using the MS asset?	Please use the blackboard, slides and interaction to develop the concept.
What is an 'Inquisitive Questions' (IQ) asset?	The Inquisitive Questions asset uses questions to promote higher order thinking like the n th why, what-if, new perspectives, cause-effect, and others, creating curiosity.
How to teach using the IQ asset?	You may use the questions to connect with the students, encourage exploration to engage them in the learning process. You may allow multiple responses and instead of rejecting any of the responses, ask why, before revealing the suggested answer or hints.
What is a 'Day to day Relevance' (DD) Asset?	The Day to Day Relevance asset helps students understand the practical relevance of every topic, making them eager participants in the classroom. If students connect the concepts to their environment, they would learn meaningfully without dislike or simply memorizing for exams.
How to teach using the DD	You may use the asset by asking questions about their experience and use it to establish why they are learning the topic. If necessary you may substitute with a

asset?	recent or local example.
What is an 'Interesting Aside' (IA) asset?	The Interesting Aside asset uses attention grabbing tidbits or anecdotes to bring joy and satisfy the child's hunger to know more. This is a quick/short asset intended to bring attention back to the main concept being taught.
How to teach using the IA asset?	You may use this asset to give a piece of interesting information relevant to the topic, without prolonged explanation/discussion. You may suggest appropriate books for further reading.
What is a 'Suggested Activity' (SA) Asset?	The Suggested Activity asset provides a detailed step by step procedure for the teacher to conduct a hands-on activity. This promotes Activity Based Learning.
How to teach using the SA asset?	You may use this asset to energise your students to learn by doing simple, fun-filled activities based on the topic. The asset includes - preparation, activity, and follow-up. You may engage the students in the preparation and follow-up stages to develop collaboration and responsibility. You could try it once, yourself, before the actual delivery to be more comfortable with it. Note: The duration mentioned in the asset is usually for the activity part only.
What is a 'Value Content' (VC) Asset?	The Value Content asset integrates Universal Human Values (such as empathy, inclusivity, respect for nature that translates into responsible behaviour) seamlessly into the curriculum, as the "End of education is character".
How to teach using the VC asset?	You may use this asset to engage with the students to bring out their innate values and connect with the intrinsic values in the topic/concept. The asset includes pointers on the specific pedagogical technique followed.
What is a 'Questions to Assess' (QA) asset?	The Questions to Assess asset uses an interactive approach to check learning of different types of learners, and provides feedback to the teacher for appropriate action. The questions cater to all the levels of Bloom's Taxonomy. Questions from 'Apply' level and above enable students to reflect on their learning.
How to teach using the QA asset?	You may go through the slides to understand its flow and know when to click for the answer (slides include suggested answers). While presenting in the class, you may display the question and encourage multiple responses, before revealing the answer. In some cases, this asset may include extra questions/worksheet that can be given as homework.