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## **Bihar Panchayati Raj Act, 2006 (excerpts)**

(Excerpts - water supply and sanitation provisions)

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## **BIHAR PANCHAYATI RAJ ACT, 2006**

**Section 22: *Functions of Gram Panchayat*** — Subject to such condition as may be prescribed by the Government from time to time, the Gram Panchayat shall perform the functions specified below :

- (viii) *Drinking Water* — (1) Construction, repair and maintenance of drinking water wells, tanks, ponds and hand pumps;
- (2) Prevention and control of water pollution;
- (3) Maintenance of rural water supply schemes.

**Section 25: *Standing Committees of Gram Panchayat*** — (1)A Gram Panchayat shall constitute the following committees by election from among its members for effective discharge of its functions;

- (v) Committee on Public Health, Family Welfare and Rural Sanitation - for performing functions relating to public health, family welfare and rural sanitation.
- (vi) Public Works Committee - for performing functions relating to all kinds of constructions and maintenance including rural housing, sources of water supply, roads and other means of communication, rural electrification and related works.

**Section 27(2):** Subject to such maximum rates as the Government may prescribe, a Gram Panchayat may realize the following fees and rates, namely;

- (b) Fee for providing sanitary arrangements at such places of pilgrimage, haats, melas and public use within its jurisdiction as may be specified by the Government by notification;
- (c) Water Rate, where arrangement for the supply of water for drinking, irrigation or any other purpose is made by or on behalf of the Gram Panchayat within its jurisdiction.

**Section 47: *Functions and power of Panchayat Samiti*** – (1) Subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Government from time to time, the Panchayat Samiti shall undertake the following;

- (10) Drinking Water -
  - (i) Establishment, repairs and maintenance of rural water supply schemes;
  - (ii) Prevention and control of water pollution;
  - (iii) Implementation of rural sanitation schemes.