

POLITICAL REPRESENTATION OF BANJARAS LOCAL BODYS OF ADMINISTRATION

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ABSTRACT

India has had a well-developed village administration from time immemorial. Villages and hamlets came into being when people settled permanently on lands. The earliest settlers cleared the jungles and settled down near their agricultural lands. Some tribal people who reared cattle and goats and collected forest produce settled in hamlets nearer to the forests. In the early years of settlements, the more powerful and numerically dominant tribes drove away the local aboriginal tribes to forests and hilly areas and occupied all fertile lands cleared and cultivated by the aboriginals. With all this initial fighting for permanent settlement, people established villages and administrative systems to discuss and decide all matters. Their administration system decided all matters concerning internal disputes, marriages, feasts, festivals, etc. Different occupational castes and tribes started living together in the same village, performing certain necessary functions in each settlement area.

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