



## Handbook of General Elections Electoral Reforms

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Mittal Publications, New Delhi, 2000. N.A. Book Condition: New. Xvi+341pp The golden jubilee year of Indian Republic is the time to explore whether due to frequent elections at the regional and national level, parliamentary democracy in India is still viable or we should embark on any other political system? how regionalism has gained momentum in Indian politics and what has been the trend in 13th general elections and February 2000 Assembly polls in Bihar, Orissa, Manipur and Haryana? How far the Election Commission has been successful in holding free and fair elections? This Handbook seeks to study explanation of all such issues. The book, encyclopaedic in nature, is divided into five sections. Section I, in 3 Chapters, reviews the functioning of democracy in India, the circumstances leading to the coalition era and complexity in governance. A separate chapter explains the entire gamut of electoral law, as amended from time to time, the role of Election Commission in conducting free and fair polls and steps taken by the successive Election Commissioners towards electoral reforms. Section II, in 32 chapters, highlights the situation in each State and Union Territory, electoral politics and the verdict based on local factors. Section III, in 3 chapters,...



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