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### Maharashtra State News

<b>New Governor of Maharashtra</b>	<b>Why in the news?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>C. P. Radhakrishnan</b> has been <b>appointed as the new Governor of Maharashtra</b>, replacing Ramesh Bais.</li></ul> <b>About C. P. Radhakrishnan:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Political Party:</b> Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)</li><li>● <b>Date of Birth:</b> May 4, 1957</li><li>● <b>Place of Birth:</b> Tirupur, <b>Tamil Nadu</b></li><li>● <b>Political Career:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Began at age 16 with Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) and later with Jan Sangh.</li><li>○ <b>Elected twice to Lok Sabha from Coimbatore constituency.</b></li></ul></li><li>● <b>Leadership Role:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <b>President of BJP's Tamil Nadu unit from 2004 to 2007.</b></li><li>○ Organized a significant Rath Yatra lasting three months during his presidency.</li></ul></li><li>● <b>International Representation:</b> Represented India at the United Nations General Assembly.</li></ul>
<b>Lok Adalat</b>	<b>Why in the news?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● The Mumbai Traffic Police recovered Rs 17.47 crore in fines through a <b>Lok Adalat</b> held recently.</li></ul> <b>About Lok Adalat:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Lok Adalat, meaning '<b>People's Court</b>,' is a <b>system of alternative dispute resolution in India.</b></li><li>● <b>Establishment:</b> It was established under the <b>Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.</b></li><li>● <b>Purpose:</b> To provide a <b>platform for amicable</b></li></ul>

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	<p>settlement of disputes, reducing the burden on traditional courts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jurisdiction:</b> Handles cases that are pending in regular courts and those at the pre-litigation stage.</li> <li>• <b>Types of Cases:</b> Civil cases, including matrimonial and family disputes, <b>compoundable criminal cases</b>, cases under the Motor Vehicles Act, and disputes related to public utility services.</li> <li>• <b>Procedure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ No court fee is charged.</li> <li>○ Simple, informal procedures <b>without strict adherence to procedural laws or the Evidence Act.</b></li> <li>○ Cases are settled on the basis of <b>compromise and mutual agreement.</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Authority:</b> Comprises a <b>judicial officer as chairman</b> and two other members, usually a lawyer and a social worker.</li> <li>• <b>Binding Nature:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Decisions (called awards) of Lok Adalat are final, binding, and enforceable on all parties.</b></li> <li>○ They are <b>not appealable in any court of law.</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Frequency:</b> Lok Adalats are organized periodically at <b>various levels, such as state, district, and taluka levels.</b></li> <li>• <b>Permanent Lok Adalat:</b> Established for continuous functioning to handle disputes related to public utility services like transport, postal services, telegraph, etc.</li> <li>• Lok Adalats play a crucial role in <b>making justice accessible, affordable, and less time-consuming, fostering a culture of conciliation and compromise.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission</b></p>	<p><b>Why in the news?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Pantnagar police recently <b>detained four laborers who were repairing a sewage pipeline, despite no complaints against them.</b></li> <li>• The <b>Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission</b> has <b>recommended a compensation of Rs 2 lakh to the contractor and disciplinary action against the</b></li> </ul>



involved police officers.

#### About Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission:

- **Establishment:** Constituted under the **Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993.**
- **Purpose:** To **protect and promote human rights** in the state of **Maharashtra.**
- **Location:** Headquartered in **Mumbai, Maharashtra.**
- **Composition:**
  - **Chairperson:** A retired Chief Justice of a High Court.
  - **Members:** Includes serving or retired judges of High Courts and persons with knowledge or practical experience in human rights.
- **Functions:**
  - **Inquire into complaints of human rights violations** or negligence in preventing such violations by a public servant.
  - **Intervene in court proceedings** involving allegations of human rights violations.
  - **Review safeguards provided by the Constitution** or any law for the protection of **human rights** and recommend measures for their effective implementation.
  - **Study treaties and international instruments on human rights** and make recommendations for their effective implementation.
  - **Undertake and promote research in the field of human rights.**
  - **Spread human rights literacy** among various sections of society and promote awareness through publications, media, seminars, and other means.
  - **Encourage the efforts of non-governmental organizations and institutions** working in the field of human rights.
- **Powers:**
  - Has the **authority of a civil court** while **inquiring into complaints.**



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- Can summon and enforce the attendance of **witnesses**, require the discovery and production of documents, and receive evidence on affidavits.
- Can visit any jail or other institutions under the control of the state government to study the **living conditions of inmates** and make recommendations.

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