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Unit-IV

**The State Government: Governor, Council of Ministers and the Chief
Minister, Centre-State Relations**

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The Governor, Chief Minister and the Council of Ministers

- **Appointment and term of Office of Governor**
- **Why an appointed Governor**
- **Status of appointed Governor so far**
- **Conditions of Governor's office**

- **Powers of the Governor**
 - **Executive**
 - **Legislative**
 - **Judicial**
 - **Emergency Power**
- **The Chief Minister and the Council of Ministers**

The Council of Ministers

- A body recognized by the Constitution
- Appointment of Ministers
- Council of Ministers and Cabinet
- Salaries of Ministers
- Ministerial Responsibility to Parliament

- Collective Responsibility
- Individual Responsibility to the President
- Legal Responsibility
- Special Position of the Prime Minister in
the Council of Ministers

Centre-State Relations

- **Union List – 97 subjects**
- **State List – 66 subjects**
- **Concurrent List – 47 subjects**

Centre State Relations are classified into three types:

- **Legislative Relations** contained in **Chapter I** of **Part XI** of the Constitution of India
- **Administrative Relations** contained in **Chapter II** of **Part XI** of the Constitution of India
- **Financial Relations** contained in **Part XII** of the Constitution of India.

Legislative Relations

Articles 245 to 255 deal with the legislative relation between the Centre and the States.

Four aspects of the legislative relationships are:

- **Territorial extent of Central and State legislation**
- **Distribution of legislative subjects**
- **Parliamentary legislation in the state field**
- **Centre's control over State legislation**

Administrative Relations

Articles 256 to 263 deal with the administrative relation between the Centre and States.

- **Distribution of Executive Powers**
- **The Obligation of States and the Centre**
- **Matters where the Centre can Direct the State**
- **Integrated Judicial System**

Financial Relations

Articles 268 to 293 deal with the Financial Relations between the Centre and the States.

- **Allocation of Taxing Power**
- **Restriction Placed by the Indian Constitution on Taxation Power of the State**
- **Distribution of Non-Tax Revenues**
- **Grants-in-Aid to the States**

Article 356

President's Rule can be imposed on any state of India on the grounds of the failure of the constitutional machinery.