

1/22 Do you think that ECI is right in rejecting the idea of permanent president for political party? Comment

The Election Commission has rejected the permanent party president declaration by a state party recently. By this the election commission has become the flag bearer of participatory democracy yet again.

Evils of permanent presidentship

concentration of power with one person or a family will create blood pressure among the party president circle and members at the party level.

many of intra party elections go unopposed meaning, the concentration of power with some entity in perpetuity. It demoralises the core concept of democracy. ~~The word~~

Corrective measures

The word political party is mentioned

only in the Tenth schedule and the rules apply to candidates rather than parties.

The sec(29) of Representation of People Act (RPA) 1951 and Article 324 find no mention in regulation of internal democracy

① The political parties must be funded by states based on the votes they get. This can add some flavour to the intra party democracy.

② Parties have to inform changes in office bearers to ECI regularly.

③ Parties have to submit document of expenditure incurred during election and non election times.

④ Model code of conduct must become statutory and include aspects of intra party democracy.

Political parties are the pillars of parliamentary democracy in the nation. A structure inclusive framework is central to achieve objectives of constitution