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Chapter 14: Republic of India – Section 3: The Government of India

Guided Notes

Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

- India came under ______ rule beginning in the 1700s, and it was a 1. _____ of the British Empire until 1947.
- Today India is the world's largest ______. 2.
- India is a federal 3.
- The head of government is a ______, and the 4. head of state is a ______.
- The ______ branch has the prime minister, president, and 5. cabinet.
- The ______ branch is the Parliament of India. 6.
- Finally, the ______ branch has the Supreme Court that is 7. made up of a chief justice and twenty-five associate judges.
- 8. The national Parliament of India has two houses: the _____ (Rajya Saha) and the People's ______ (Lok Sabha).
- The leader of the majority ______ in the 9. Indian parliament serves as prime minister and head of government.
- 10. The Indian ______ was adopted in 1950. It _____ all Indian citizens the same basic rights.
- 11. Local power is in the hands of ______ in India.
- 12. Each village council, known as a panchayat, is part of a larger group of

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- 13. Because India is so large and has so many different _____, castes, and religions, the national government has had to work very hard to see that all groups feel included and are equally ______.
- 14. _____ India's huge population of children is another issue.
- 15. Rapid growth of cities means that there are challenges to meet the needs of city dwellers and keep their _____ healthy.