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# 9. Role of Civil Society for Jan-Lokpal in Indian Democracy

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#### Abstract

The civil society, named India against corruption, started the movement to curb the corruption in the country. With this firm resolution, Mr. Anna Hazare went on a hunger strike unto death in 2011. He was on strike until his demands in support of the Jan Lokpal Bill were met. He demanded to enact powerful and independent Ombudsman institution at Central and State level. This Civil Society for Jan Lokpal wanted the Government of India should draft a strong anti-corruption Jan Lokpal Bill. The whole Civil Society movement of Anna Hazare has focused on alternative drafts of the Lokpal Bill (Jan Lokpal Bill). Other drafts also brought up for considerations. Various eminent persons and NGOs drafted different drafts of the Lokpal Bill which includes Jayaprakash Narayan, Aruna Roy, and T. N. Sheshan.

Keywords: Jan Lokpal Bill, Democracy, Civil Society, Corruption, and Anti-Corruption Movement.

#### Research Methods

A qualitative and library-based research method used to analyze the role of Civil Society for Jan-Lokpal in Indian Democracy.

A) Data Collection

The following sources of data used in writing this research paper.

- 1) Primary Sources
- (A) The original draft of Jan Lokpal Bill.
- Secondary Sources:
- (A) Relevant reference books and research articles.

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