

Public Opinion (Part-1)

- Public opinion assumes an important place in a democratic legal system. All governmental policies are shaped by public opinion.
- Public opinion plays an important role in the legitimacy of the government. Government has to make policies as per public opinion.
- Public opinion means the collective opinion of many people on some issue, problems etc. specially as a single guide to action, decision or the like. It means what the people in general think about the political events happening around them. It relates to the people's view regarding the policies of the government and how they are implemented. It is not only majority-decision. Sometime it may be the minority-decision. The influence of public opinion is not restricted to policies and elections.