

Q. Discuss the challenges in implementing the proposed Women Reservation Bill and the ways to overcome those challenges (250 words)?

Y there is need of Women Reservation Bill :-

- Percentage of Elected Women Representation in India is only 14%.

But in other countries like Bangladesh (20%)  
Nepal (30%)

- Acc. to Global Gender Gap Report 2021, Women ministers are only 9.1% in India.

- In the constitution also

Art 15(3) - give special provisions for Women

Art 325 - equal political right for men & Women

- Plus India is also Ratified many International Agreements.

Hence, India have to obey by them.

## Arguments in support :

- (1) Human Development Indicators will be have positive way out.
- (2) Women Representation will make Democracy more representative in Nations.
- (3) It will strengthen Women's empowerment & women's problems can be solved at practical level.
- (4) Women Representation will also increase its role in Panchayats and hence gran root level awareness regarding their political social and economic rights shall be given.

## Arguments Against :

- (1) This Women Reservation Bill might further increases the inequality among women.
- (2) And only women from elite classes might be given representation.
- (3) This might be the case that women Representation can only remain as a proxy. Hence it promotes 'proxy culture.'
- (4) Reserving candidates might lose out as the specific Reservation is provided to women.
- (5) Hence, it might demotivate other ministers to work → Reduces incentives to work.

## WAY FORWARD:

- (1) Provide Reservation in the political parties instead of giving at overall level.
- (2) Candidates Quotas for women should be given at party level.
- (3) We should work on changing the behaviour and change in male dominated value system.
- (4) Awareness and leadership development programmes for women.