

# An Overview of Corruption In India

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**Abstract :** Corruption is a menace to the Indian society. It is also as old as mankind. But its levels change and decline with economic development, in particular with the rise of the middle class. The corruption defines as the abuse of public offices for private gain. Corruption is not a size fit for the entire phenomenon. It has a variation to place to place, state to state, and nation to nation. Indian democracy is based on corruption where all political parties are involved in corruption. Corruption in India has been a major subject of discussion and movement. A decade after independence, there was a lot of debate in the swamp of India. India and at the time there was a debate on this matter in parliament. Corruption has the opposite effect of the country's economy and every person. The corruption of political and technocracy in India is very broad. Corruption is also spreading in its all party, media, army, police etc.

**IndexTerms -** Corruption, Democracy, Political Parties, Public and Private Offices, Technocracy.

## I. INTRODUCTION

The India of today does have its own share of challenges and corruption is definitely one of them. Corruption is not exclusive to a particular country or a region. It can be seen across the world, through the degree of corruption n may be different in different countries. When it comes to corruption India is placed at the 79<sup>th</sup> position around 176 countries according to a recent study of by transparency international. As one can see Denmark tops the list with the best score of 90 and India has just 40 points, similarly to china and Brazil. According to transparency international there are around 53% people of India who are happy with how the government is fighting against corruption. On the other hand, there are 41% people of India who think that the level of corruption has increased. Corruption which is often classified as grand, petty and systematic can hurt any society and India as a country has suffered a lot from this. Corruption can occur in all sectors whether they are public, private even charitable and religious institutions, police, school, hospital, sport institutions, corruption in India is mostly everywhere. The bribery rate is also very high in India. Corruption can bite people in form of favouritism, nepotism, bribery, embezzlement theft, fraud, or extortion and blackmailing. Corrupt politicians give clearances to those projects and grant licences to those individuals who may not so deserve. Corruption is also a road block in attracting foreign investment as it discourages the potential foreign investors.



## OBJECTIVES TO THE STUDY

1. To focus on cause of corruption.
2. To highlight the areas of corruption.
3. To analyse the India's rank in corruption .
4. To analyse the corruption in India
5. To provide the suggestions for reducing corruption.

## II. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY:-

The research design of this paper is based on descriptive studies. The study is based on primary as well as secondary data. The research is based on analytical term also. The analytical study is based on the data of last thirteen decades from 2008 to 2018.

### DIVERSITY AND CORRUPTION IN INDIA:-

In order to understand the arrival of corruption in India and understand its impact on the society as a way of life, one must understand its impact on the society as a way of life; one must understand the history of India. India is a young country. After the British rule of 2009, it got its independence in 1947. The British came to India through the east India company and for decades he come to know that India was neither a geological unit nor culturally homogeneous. Combined effect of focusing on trade and sector from commerce, and political and military power tampered with corruption of its private shareholders-further split diverse areas ahead of time. Thousands of small empire creating geography of India has become weak and more corrupt due to years of their way of embedding the virus of corruption. In 1947, after the Second World War, the British Empire left India. The government came in the hands of Jawaharlal Nehru, the first prime minister of India. In an effort to completely eliminate the western influence, he made a strategic decision to adopt the economy as well as the socialist approach. Since 2005, India has ranked the median (90<sup>th</sup> position out of 180 countries) on the table of transparency international index of corruption activities in India, the misuse of public property for personal gain is involved and from the embezzlement of public money for misuse (including bribe).

### CAUSES OF CORRUPTION:-

Corruption is the biggest threat to the welfare of society. Reduces the quality of corruption services and ruins the life of the common man. Many of the world's countries are affected by the problem called corruption.

Political parties have promised to take steps and take steps to eliminate corruption, they are being voted for power. It shows the importance of corruption free society and government.

Corruption is mainly seen in cases like jobs, business, promotions, election, campaigns, sports etc. Below is the list. The main reasons for corruption are:-

1. **LESS PAY SCALE/WAGES:** - Most employees of the public sector are paid less wages and salaries. Therefore, some employees come back to corruption for more financial gain.
2. **LOW JOB OPPORTUNITIES:** - This is another reason for corruption. Due to the lack of job opportunities on the wish, there are many people who like to go for a job offer for corruption. They will be ready to pay some money for job offer to top officials or positions.
3. **LACK OF STRINGENT AND FIERCE PENALTY:-** Even if the someone has been found guilty or caught red handed by anti-corruption officials or the media, the accused gets less punishment. First of all, they will be suspended for a few month or weeks and will be posted again with same job grade and payment to the second place. So it means that the corrupt practice officer is given a free licence to continue his practice.
4. **LACK OF ILL FAME:-** If a person is found corrupt or has some unacceptable abuse, he must be avoided and should not be respected. But at present, people with corruption and other crime related history are also given important positions like members of parliament or even higher posts. Instead of being humiliated, they are respected.
5. **DEFICT OF PUBLIC UNITY:-** the public openly criticizes corruption, but the interesting thing is that there is no unity between the public to prevent corruption. If a person wants to accomplish his work, then he is done with corruption, if possible, he criticizes the corrupt officials. If the public gets united against corruption in such a way that no one is ready to give a bribe to fulfil his work, then corrupt officials will have no choice but to work in corruption free way
6. **DIFICIENCY OF TRANSPARENCY IN MATTERS AND DEALS:** - There is a lack of transparency in many seat selection procedures, job contract, employee income report (possession of property) etc. In education. For this purpose, RTI has a new task: the right to information, but this act is not strong enough to prevent non-behaviours.
7. **THE LACK OF FREE SPY AGENCY:-** The lack of free spy agency to investigate complete power and independence to expose corrupt persons. Existing agencies are either under the control of the government or the forces and are not free to work. Are there. Therefore, any person committing the crime will not be afraid of the investigation because they can help prevent them from controlling them.
8. **LACK OF STATE FINANCING FOR ELECTION:** - State funding is the best way to beat corruption. Political parties get money from party and will not fully disclose it. in doing so, they encourage corruption. With the promise of helping him come to power, industrialists get huge money. The presence of state financing can end the party fund culture and reduce corruption.
9. **CHOICE OF MANY POLITICAL PARTIES:-** Any political parties can set up democracy. So many political parties in the country are likely to explode. if a political party won, then the party want to expand the party all over the country. to do this, they need adequate financial resources. for this, when they come to power, they will choose corrupt means to make the necessary funds to expand the party.
10. **THE LACK OF ADEQUATE POWER TO THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND OTHER INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION:-** While contesting election like the election commission, politicians cannot ban the contest from contesting the election or do not follow the rules of election campaign (like disturbing money to people). Similarly, in the judicial system there are fewer option to punish certain people who are found.

**EFFECTS OF CORRUPTION:-**

1. Corruption has spread like this in the form of a termite in India that it is difficult to tell all its effects. Whether you are a baba or a road or bridge construction contractor, you will see corruption. In many places in India, people are being exploited in the name of religion, religion, faith and belief. In government offices, the work is not complete when there is no buck or bribe. The items of adulteration are being found in the shops and many committees are found to be found in shops due to corruption. For a few bucks, large employees and leaders pass wrong things, which affect the common man. Earlier, bribery and corruption in the office, especially those working in the offices, were seen due to low income and excessive expenditure, but now even when the government has started paying good salaries to the employees, corruption is still not visible.
2. The biggest reason for not seeing corruption is that corruption is now a habit for everyone. Now, even in spite of corruption, people think that it is only a day's work. Unless our country is free of corruption, we will not be able to make India a developed country. Today, due to corruption, public works started by various types of government are not being fulfilled properly. Roads are made, big buildings are built but they get spoiled in a few years. This is due to corruption and the common man has to suffer.

**CORRUPTION PERCEPTION INDEX 2008 TO 2018:-****III. WAYS TO STOP CORRUPTION:-****1. GOOD SALARIES TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES:-**

According to the report of the 7<sup>th</sup> pay commission, almost all central government employees are getting a good salary to a large extent. Still, the employees of the state government could not get proper salary. But even after getting a good salary, corruption has now become a habit in the offices, which has led to corruption increasing day by day. Therefore, salary should be increased by thinking and at the right time, so that there is no sense of corruption in the employee's mind.

2. **LACK OF PEOPLE IN THE OFFICES:** - In many government offices, fewer employees are required to be appointed, due to which the load increases on the employees who are working. This results in two types of inconveniences. First, the work of the common man cannot be completed at the right time and people take the path of corruption in order to complete another task.
3. **ALL CAMERAS SHOULD BE INSTALLED IN THE OFFICES:-** Today, almost all offices CCTV cameras are installed today to monitor the office. But something should be done so that this CCTV cameras are handled by other department who look after the work while working at the office. This will frighten you from taking the employees working in offices and will be caught on taking it
4. **ANTI CORRUPTION:-** Corruption is just one of the biggest reasons for growing and that is to cooperate with corruption. Regardless of whether any of our work is completed in any offices or not, we should never cooperate with corruption. Corruptly happens because we tend to extend it. We should always contradict corruption and make people aware about it.

- (A) INDIAN COAL ALLOCATION SCAM 2012-186000 CRORES.
- (B) 2G SPECTRUM SCAM 2008- 1,76,000CR.
- (C) WAKF BOARD LAND SCAM 2012- 1.50,000CR.
- (D) COMMONWEALTH GAMES SCAM 2010- 70,000 CR.
- (E) TELGI SCAM 2002- 20,000CR.
- (F) SATYAM SCAM 2009- 14,000 CR.
- (G) PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK 2011-2018- 11600 CRORES.

#### IV. CONCLUSIONS:-

It needs to be understood that using even corrupt methods is an easy way to earn money in most cases but it cannot really be happy to you. You can earn good money on such a bad path, but will your mind ever find peace? No! You can get happiness temporarily but you will remain dissatisfied and unhappy for a long time. Every one of us should take a pledge to leave corrupt practices. This way our life will be better and our country will become a better place.

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