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**GS-II Parliament and State Legislatures—Structure, Functioning, Conduct of Business, Powers & Privileges and Issues Arising out of these**

**1. Examine whether the Anti-Defection Law Fulfils the Purpose it was Enacted.**

**Why this Question?**

- The political skulduggery in Madhya Pradesh represents a new method of bypassing the anti-defection law and toppling Elected Governments.

**Key Demands of Question:**

- Explain the objective of the Anti-Defection Law. Discuss the challenges or issues in this law and suggest way forward measures to address the Issues.

**Directive Word:**

**Examine:**

- Here we need to look into the topic asked in detail, try to understand it, inspect it, investigate it and establish the key facts and issues related to the topic in question. While doing so we should explain why these facts and issues are important and their implications. True examination comes when one analyzes all the various angles of the Question.

**Structure of Answer:**

**Introduction:**

- Give brief about the anti-defection law.

**Body:**

- Explain the main objectives of the law.
- Explain whether it fulfils the purpose it was enacted.
- Discuss the issues in the law. Give examples of the Karnataka defection issues and MP defection issues.
- Explain the reforms needed to address the weakness of the law. Highlight Dinesh Goswami Committee Suggestion.

**Conclusion:**

- Conclude with the institutional reforms and the need for the Ethical Politics.