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presents a lecture on

“The Functioning of the Indian Parliament”

Speaker
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About the Lecture

The Parliament is the central institution of our democracy that makes national laws, holds the central government accountable for implementing various policies and allocates financial resources through the budgetary process. In this talk, I will explore the following questions: What are the various ways in which Parliament performs these roles? How effective is it in doing so? Are there ways in which the processes can be modified to improve its effectiveness? What are the major reforms needed to improve the functioning of Parliament?

About the Speaker

MR Madhavan is the President of PRS Legislative Research, New Delhi. His interests are in improving the processes of legislative bodies in three broad dimensions: strengthen the mechanisms for legislators to take decisions in a better informed manner; increase the transparency of the system to enable citizens to know more about the work of legislators and legislatures; and work towards law-making in a more participatory manner by catalyzing engagement of citizens with their elected representatives. Madhavan has previously worked in investment banking with ICICI Securities and Bank of America. He holds a B. Tech from IIT Madras and an MBA and PhD from IIM Calcutta.