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How system of checks and balance works in America?
Give few examples.

1) INTRODUCTION:

The system of checks and balance refers to the idea that no one branch of government can do something with interference or review of the other Branch.

This system will help to reduce the monopoly of single branch of government in decision making. All of the branches have its individual powers which these can be exercised without the influence of other branch.

2) BACKGROUND:

The Doctrine of separation of power was firstly introduced by enlightenman John Locke but he just gave the concept

of the executive and legislative
Laton on Montesquieu added
the judiciary branch.

3) CHECKS AND BALANCE SYSTEM:

In order to prevent any
branch from gaining more power,
this system was introduced. This
system prevent the monopoly of
any branch in decision making.

4) BRANCHES IN US:

There are three legislative
branches in United States.

THREE BRANCHES

LEGISLATIVE EXECUTIVE JUDICIARY

1) LEGISLATIVE:

This branch deals with
the law making which is the
need for proper functioning of

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the government. The law will be made according to the need of people to prevent crimes and illegal activities and to promote equality, justice and prosperity among the people.

2) EXECUTIVE:

This branch is responsible to execute the laws which are made by the government. e.g Joe Biden government is responsible to execute the laws.

3) JUDICIARY:

This branch is responsible to interpret and implements the law. This branch can also take judicial review.

5) CHECKS AND BALANCE OF LEGISLATIVE BRANCH:

Legislative branch have checks and

balance an executive and judiciary.

A) CHECKS OVER EXECUTIVE:

- i It can overrides the president's veto by $\frac{2}{3}$ majority.
- ii It can impeach president, vice president and other high officials.
- iii Senate can approve treaties.
- iv Senate can approve appointment of president.
- v Congress can declare war.
- vi Congress has power to impose taxes.

B) CHECKS OVER JUDICIARY:

- i It can create lower court.
- ii Senate can approve the appointment of judges.
- iii It can fix salaries of the judges.
- iv It can increase or decrease

the number of judges

- v May remove judges through impeachment.
- vi Give final approval to judicial Act.

6) CHECKS AND BALANCE OF EXECUTIVE BRANCH:

Judiciary branch has check over legislative and Judiciary.

a) CHECKS OVER LEGISLATIVE:

- i Can give recommendation related to legislation.
- ii Ability to call special/emergency joint session.
- iii It has veto power.
- iv Can appeal to the people concerning legislation and more.
- v President is the Head of house of representative and Commander in chief.
- vi Vice president is the head of Senate.

6) CHECKS OVER JUDICIARY:

- i) President can give pardon to federal offender.
- ii) President can appoint supreme court and other court judges.

7) CHECKS AND BALANCE OF JUDICIAL BRANCH.

Judiciary have checks and balance over legislative and executive.

a) CHECKS OVER LEGISLATIVE:

- i) Power to interpret and judge the law.
- ii) It can declare any law unconstitutional.

b) CHECKS OVER EXECUTIVE:

- i) It can declare any executive action

unconstitutionality through judicial review.

- ii) If judge appointed once for a life time then executive branch cannot do any action against him.

8) EXAMPLES: CHECKS AND BALANCE

i) DEFENCE MARRIAGE ACT:

In 1996, it was signed by the President Bill Clinton. It declared that in federal definition, marriage was between man and woman. In 2015, Supreme court ruled that same sex marriage was legal in federal terms.

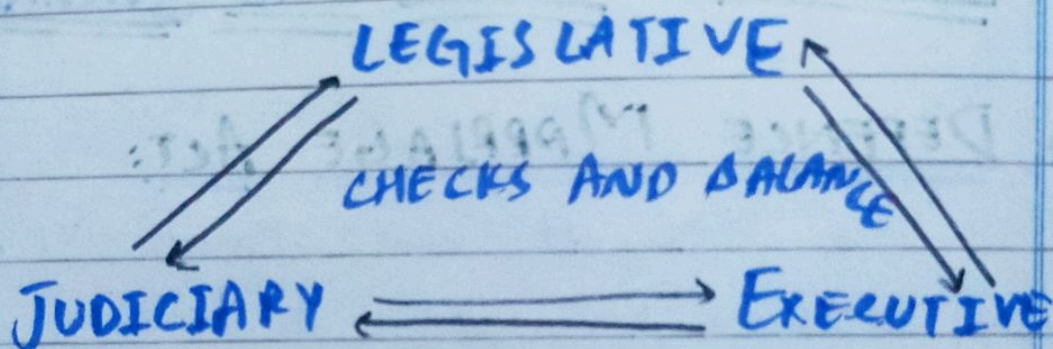
ii) IMPEACHMENT CHARGE AGAINST PRESIDENT:

In 1998, HOR brought impeachment charge against President Bill Clinton, but the Senate acquitted him.

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iii) CONGRESS OVERRIDE A VETO:

In 2016, congress override a veto by President Obama over the issue of families of 9/11 victims being allowed to sue Saudi Arabia



9) CRITICAL ANALYSIS:

Checks and balance system is the best, but sometimes branches misuse their power for self interest not for national and public interest.

10) CONCLUSION:

Through checks and balance system government is able to achieve its goals. This system is useful for the proper function of the government.