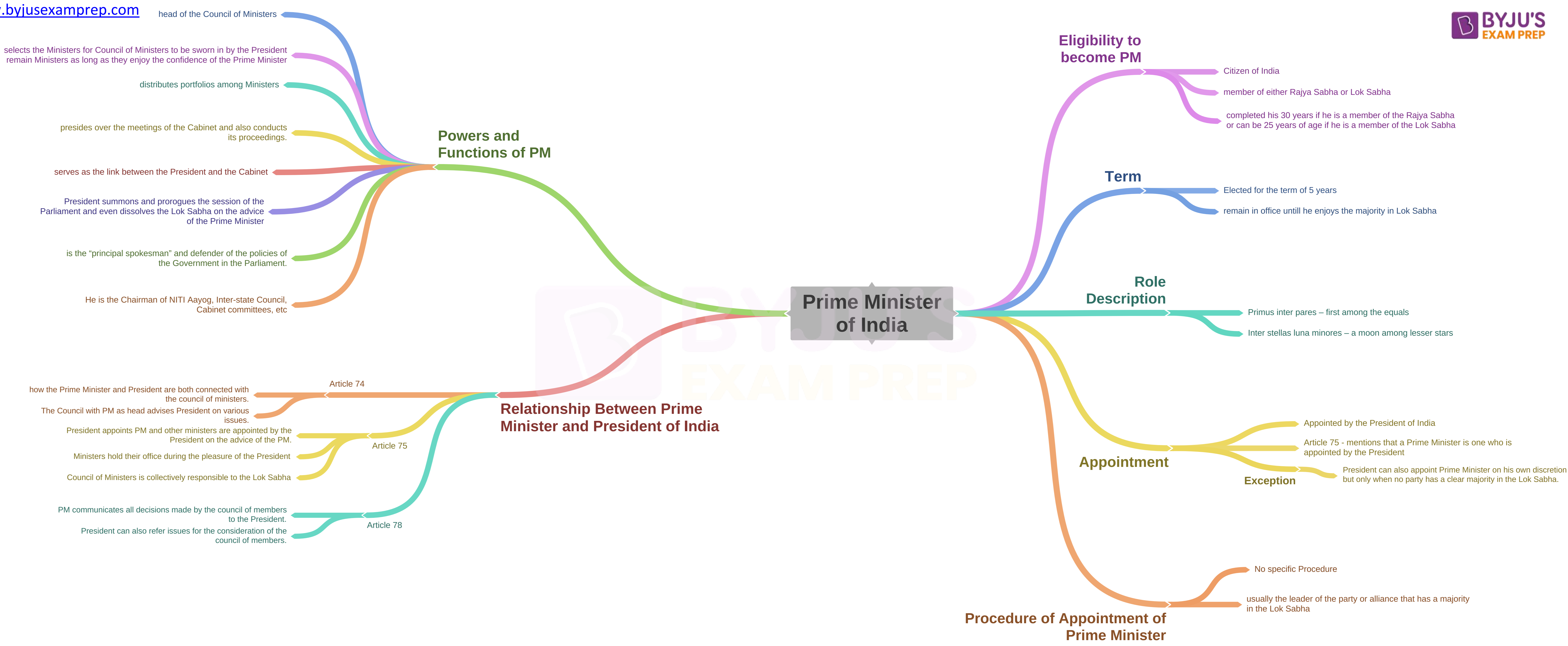




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Mind Map on the Prime Minister of India



# Prime Minister of India

## Powers and Functions of PM

- head of the Council of Ministers
- selects the Ministers for Council of Ministers to be sworn in by the President remain Ministers as long as they enjoy the confidence of the Prime Minister
- distributes portfolios among Ministers
- presides over the meetings of the Cabinet and also conducts its proceedings.
- erves as the link between the President and the Cabinet
- President summons and prorogues the session of the Parliament and even dissolves the Lok Sabha on the advice of the Prime Minister
- is the "principal spokesman" and defender of the policies of the Government in the Parliament.
- He is the Chairman of NITI Aayog, Inter-state Council, Cabinet committees, etc

## Eligibility to become PM

- Citizen of India
- member of either Rajya Sabha or Lok Sabha
- completed his 30 years if he is a member of the Rajya Sabha or can be 25 years of age if he is a member of the Lok Sabha

## Term

- Elected for the term of 5 years
- remain in office until he enjoys the majority in Lok Sabha

## Role Description

- Primus inter pares – first among the equals
- Inter stellas luna minores – a moon among lesser stars

## Appointment

- Appointed by the President of India
- Article 75 - mentions that a Prime Minister is one who is appointed by the President
- Exception
  - President can also appoint Prime Minister on his own discretion but only when no party has a clear majority in the Lok Sabha.

## Procedure of Appointment of Prime Minister

- No specific Procedure
- usually the leader of the party or alliance that has a majority in the Lok Sabha

## Relationship Between Prime Minister and President of India

### Article 74

- how the Prime Minister and President are both connected with the council of ministers.
- The Council with PM as head advises President on various issues.

### Article 75

- President appoints PM and other ministers are appointed by the President on the advice of the PM.
- Ministers hold their office during the pleasure of the President
- Council of Ministers is collectively responsible to the Lok Sabha

### Article 78

- PM communicates all decisions made by the council of members to the President.
- President can also refer issues for the consideration of the council of members.

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