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Part-I

1. Roman Curia

The Roman Curia is the administrative apparatus of the Holy See and the central governing body of the entire Catholic Church, together with the Pope.
It coordinates and provides the necessary central organization for the correct functioning of the Church and the achievement of its goals.

I. Secretariat

Secretariat of State

II. Congregations

1. Congregation for Bishops,
2. Congregation for Catholic Education (for Seminaries and Institutes of Study),
3. Congregation for the Causes of Saints,
4. Congregation for the Clergy,
5. Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments,
6. Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith,
7. Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples,
8. Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life,
9. Congregation for the Oriental Churches.

III. Tribunals

Apostolic Penitentiary, Apostolic Signatura, Roman Rota.

IV. Pontifical Councils

1) for "Cor Unum", 2) for Culture, 3) for the Family, 4) for Interreligious Dialogue, 5) for Justice and Peace, 6) for the Laity, 7) for Legislative Texts, 8) for Pastoral Assistance to Health Care Workers, 9) for Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People, 10) for Promoting Christian Unity, 11) for Promoting the New Evangelization & 12) for Social Communications.

V. Offices

Apostolic Chamber, College of Cardinals, Prefecture for the Economic Affairs of the Holy See, Fabric of St. Peter, International Theological Commission, Labour Office of the Apostolic See, Office of Papal Charities, Prefecture of the Papal Household, Administration of the Patrimony of the Apostolic See, Synod of Bishops, Governorate of Vatican City State, Vatican Library, Vatican Secret Archives, Roman Curia - Others.

VI. Pontifical Commissions

Pontifical Commission - 1) for the Cultural Heritage of the Church, 2) "Ecclesia Dei", 3) for Latin America, 4) Biblical Commission, 5) for Sacred Archeology and 6) for Vatican City State.

VII. Pontifical Committees

- 1) Pontifical Committee for International Eucharistic Congresses

VIII. Pontifical Academies

- 1) Pontifical Academy for Life and 2) Pontifical Ecclesiastical Academy.

IX. Various Other Offices

Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, Pontifical Lateran University, Pontifical North American College, Arcibasilica di San Giovanni in Laterano {Saint John Lateran Basilica}, Basilica di Santa Maria Maggiore {Saint Mary Major Basilica}, Basilica di San Paolo fuori le Mura {Saint Paul Outside-the-Walls Basilica} and Basilica di San Pietro in Vaticano {Saint Peter Basilica}

2. Dicastery for the Eastern Churches (ഹരസ്ത് യൂറോപ്യൻ കത്തോലിക് ഓർത്തഡോക്സ് കർമ്മം)

(Pope Francis, with his apostolic constitution Praedicate evangelium, which took effect on 5 June 2022, changed its name "Congregation for the Oriental Churches" to the "Dicastery for the Eastern Churches")

1	Head quarters of the Dicastery for the Eastern Churches	Rome, Italy
2	Prefect of the Dicastery for the Eastern Churches	Cardinal Claudio Gugerotti (since November 21, 2022, Cardinal from 30.09.2023)

3. Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences-FABC

1	Headquarters of FABC	Bangkok, Thailand
2	Secretary General of FABC	Archbishop Tarcisio Isao Kikuchi (Archbishop of Tokyo)

4. Apostolic Nunciature in India & Nepal

1	Headquarters of the Apostolic Nunciature in India	New Delhi
2	Apostolic Nuncio in India	Archbishop Leopoldo Girelli (from 2021)

5. Catholic Bishops' Conference of India - CBCI

1	Establishment of CBCI	In 1944 at Madras
2	Headquarters of CBCI	New Delhi (from 1962)
3	Churches/Rites included in the CBCI	Syro-Malabar, Syro Malankara and Latin
Leadership for the 2024-2026		
4	President of CBCI	Archbishop Andrews Thazhath , Archbishop of Trichur (Syro Malabar)
5	Vice Presidents of CBCI	1. Archbishop George Antonysamy, Archbishop of Madras-Maylapore (Latin)
		2. Bishop Joseph Mar Thomas, Bishop of Bathery (Syro Malankara)
6	Secretary General	Archbishop Anil Joseph Tomas Couto (Archbishop of Delhi)

6. Kerala Catholic Bishops' Council - KCBC

1	Headquarters of KCBC	Pastoral Orientation Centre (POC), Palarivattom.
2	Churches/Rites included in the KCBC	Syro-Malabar, Syro Malankara and Latin
3	President of KCBC	Cardinal Baselios Cleemis (Syro Malankara)
4	Vice President of KCBC	Mar Pauly Kannookadan (Syro Malabar)
5	Secretary General of KCBC	Dr. Alex Vadakkumthala (Latin)

1. Thirubala Sakyam (Holy Childhood)

A pontifical association of Holy Childhood.	
Founder	Bishop Charles D. Forbin
Founding year	1843
Founding place	France
Started in India	Beginning of 20th Century
Started in Ernakulam Archdiocese	By Kandathil Mar Augustine
Thirubala Sakyam Day	February 12

2. CLC (Christian Life Communities)

A world wide community of Christians " who want to follow Jesus Christ more closely and work with Him" to build God's reign.	
Founder	Fr. John Lenis SJ of Belgium
Founding date	25th March 1563.
Founding place	Rome
Started in India	In 1607 at Goa.
Started in Kerala	In 1644 at Chennamangalam (Vypinkota seminary)
Started in Ernakulam Archdiocese	On 8th December 1912.
World CLC day	25th March
Slogan	To Jesus through Mary (and Prayer, Study, Work.)
Original name Marian Sodality changed as CLC on 21st November 1967 at Rome.	

3. KCYM (Kerala Catholic Youth Movement)

It is the official Youth Movement under KCBC (Kerala Catholic Bishop's Council) Commission for youth. It aims at the Integral Development of the Catholic Youth and the Total Liberation of Human Society in accordance with the Christian values. The mission of the organization is to achieve Integral development of Youth, to strive for total liberation of society and to provide Youthness to church and society. It is consisted of youngsters between the age group of 15- 35 years who subscribe to the Catholic values and principles. KCYM is affiliated to Indian Catholic Youth Movement (ICYM).	
Formation	1968
Name as "KCYM"	1978
Patron saint of KCYM	St. Thomas More

4. Jesus Youth

Catholic Youth Movement with a Charismatic spirituality spread all over India and other countries of the world.	
Formation	in 80's (in Kerala)
Name as "Jesus Youth"	in 1985
Spreading in other states of India	in 90's

5. Vincent De Paul Society

The St Vincent de Paul Society ("SVP") is an international Roman Catholic voluntary organization dedicated to tackling poverty and disadvantage by providing direct practical assistance to anyone in need.	
Founder	Blessed Federic Ozanam
Founding year	1833
Founding place	Paris
Started in India	1952 by Frankoid Joseph Thiriyon at Pondichery
Started in Ernakulam Archdiocese	1942, St. Antony's Conference-Aluva
Vincent de Paul day	27th September
Ozanam Day	9th September
Smallest unit of the Society	Conference
Next higher level	Area Council (AC)
Next higher level	Central Council (CC)
Ernakulam CC started on	15th Sept. 1954

6. Legion of Mary

The largest apostolic organisation of lay people in the Catholic church.	
Founder	Frank Duff
Founding date	7th September 1921
Founding place	Dublin, Ireland
Started in India	1931, Madras
Started in Kerala	1940 August 15, Pala
Started in Ernakulam Archdiocese	1953 March 22
Smallest unit of the Association	Praesidium
Next higher level	Curia
Diocese level	Comitium
State level	Senatus
International	Concilium - Dublin, Ireland

7. Women Welfare Services (WWS)

Started for the overall development of Women and their family. Membership open for ladies above 18 years including Sisters. It is working in conjunction with Council of Catholic Women of India (CCWI).	
Founder	Joseph Cardinal Parekattil
Founding year	1964
Founding place	Ernakulam
Started in the church	1964
Director	Parish Vicar
Unit President	Sr. Donald CMC
Meeting	First Wednesday

8. All Kerala Catholic Congress (AKCC)

Founder	Nidheerickal Manikathanar
Founding date/year	1905 May 13
Founding place	Mannanam, Kottayam
Started in Ernakulam Archdiocese	1905, Mar Louis Pazheparambil
Started in the church	2006
Old Name of AKCC	Kristiya Mahajanasabha
New Name - AKCC	1931 April 29, Mar Evanios