

Three arms, two axes

Do not confuse functions with federal-state allocation.

1 PARLIAMENT

Legislative: debate and pass bills.

Ministers may also sit in Parliament.

2 EXECUTIVE

Administer law and public functions.

It cannot invent a crime by announcement.

3 COURTS

Interpret and apply law in cases.

A court does not pass a bill.

4 OTHER AXIS

Commonwealth / state law-making power.

Exclusive, concurrent, residual need a source.

Both axes can matter to one issue; check each.