

Chief executive (gubernatorial)

Chief Executive is a term used for Presidential or Prime Ministerial powers given by a constitution or basic law, which allows its holder to implement policy, supervise executive branch of government, prepare executive budget for submission to the legislature, and appoint and remove executive officials. Depending on the specific constitution, he may also be able to veto laws,

dissolve the legislature or submit his own bills to the legislature.

It is also used to refer to certain gubernatorial offices, expressing the nature of their job being analogous to a head of government. While in most cases there is another specific style, such as president, governor-general, governor, lieutenant-governor, administrator, high commissioner, commissioner, premier, or minister-president, there are a few offices formally styled Chief Executive:

- In the two special administrative regions of the People's Republic of China, which were previously under British and Portuguese rule until the

transfer of sovereignty in late 20th century, the chief executive are the political and executive leaders of the regions and of their respective governments:

Title	Created	Superseded / defunct
<u>Chief Executive of Northern Ireland</u>	1974	<u>Governor of Northern Ireland</u>
<u>Chief Executive of Hong Kong</u>	1997	<u>Governor of Hong Kong</u>
<u>Chief Executive of Macau</u>	1999	<u>Governor of Macau</u>

- In Mauritius, on Rodrigues island, since 12 October 2002 autonomy was granted:

Term	Name	Party
24 October 2002 - 23 October 2004	<u>Claude Wong So</u>	Non-party
24 October 2004 - 20	<u>Jean-Claude Pierre-Louis</u>	Non-party

- New Zealand Antarctic Territory: while not a government, the Ross Dependency is a Crown entity managed by a Board of Directors and

the Chair acts as the Chief Executive.
The Board reports to the Minister of Foreign Affairs (New Zealand).

- The head of government in the Falkland Islands is known as the Chief Executive.
- Historically, the head of government of the Ryukyu Islands was known as the Chief Executive. The functions were largely superseded by that of the Governor of the Okinawa Prefecture upon retrocession of the islands to Japan as a prefecture.

Sources and references

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