

Note: Please do not copy any part of the Text Book or content provided in the assignment or from online medium to answer the questions at the end. It will be highly appreciated that you make an attempt with your own words. It is a good exercise to learn to organise your own thoughts, information and knowledge and present in clear sentences.

Our Constitution

Some questions to consider before you read your Text Book and go through links and digital content provided, as follows.

What were the basic ideas about government that English Colonist brought to India? Landmark English documents: *Magna Carta*, The Petition of Right, The Bill of Rights, the English Bill of Rights? What far reaching impacts do you see of *French Revolution* on the Constitution of India?

What do we understand by the term Constitution? How was the Constitution written? What was the need to have written Constitution? Why is Constitution important to govern the country? Are you aware of the Constitutions we have borrowed from or sources of the Constitution? What is the relation between Constitution and *Fundamental Rights*? How are they connected to each other?

What does *Preamble of Constitution of India* indicates or informs about? How Important do you think Preamble to the Constitution of India is? What do you understand by term *Fundamental Duties*? What are your Fundamental Duties? What is the purpose of **Directive Principles of State Policy**? What is the need for Welfare State? Who all benefit from the policy of Welfare State? Do you know any country other than India with strong policies to support **Welfare State**. Can you identify Government of India policies in line of establishing sound Welfare State. What is "**Rule of Law**"? What are my rights? Who guarantees my rights? How are my rights protected? Do have I rights? How do I defend my rights? How can I practice my rights? What is **equality, freedom and justice**? Who defines them?

<https://www.humanrights.com/what-are-human-rights/brief-history/magna-carta.html>

Magna Carta to French Revolution:

a) <http://apworldhistory2012-2013.weebly.com/effects-of-the-french-revolution.html>

b) <https://www.thoughtco.com/consequences-of-the-french-revolution-1221872>

Video

c) <https://www.coursera.org/lecture/french-revolution/2-5-the-declaration-of-the-rights-of-man-and-the-august-decrees-FgEhY>

d) <https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2015/jun/15/magna-carta-leaders-celebrate-800th-anniversary-runnymede>

e) <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/education/medieval/magna-carta/>

Constitution

a) <https://youtu.be/e7EpTGD1sdo>

<https://youtu.be/GrMAWYPoIRQ>

b) Dr Ambedkar's speech in Constituent

Assembly: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=IPsZLK540Cg>

c) <https://culturalsamvaad.com/introduction-to-the-constitution-of-india/>

d) <https://www.examrace.com/Study-Material/Political-Science/NCERT-Lectures/NCERT-Class-9-Political-Science-Chapter-3-YouTube-Lecture-Handouts.html>

Preamble

<https://youtu.be/2OsiJp06GC8>

Salient Features of the Constitution

<https://iaskcracker.com/salient-features-of-indian-constitution/>

Single Citizenship

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=a1LJYhnanu4>

Universal Adult Franchise

<https://m.facebook.com/unacademy/videos/683873291989703/>

Fundamental Rights

<https://school.eckovation.com/9/index.php/lesson/democratic-rights/>

Fundamental Duties

<https://www.toppr.com/content/video/fundamental-duties-english-83525/>

Directive Principles of State Policy

<https://youtu.be/7QHZq9XqHmQ>

Welfare State

<https://youtu.be/IUfX55O2RYQ>

https://youtu.be/HYR3oY_V6II

<https://youtu.be/56pxmddAP-4>

<https://youtu.be/pOMLzaKjdwg>

Written Assignment:

1) In the light of present COVID-19 (Corona virus) national pandemic Indian citizens experienced unprecedented crises in the field of health, social, economic, political and religious spheres. Discuss some salient features of the Constitution as follows:

a) What **Fundamental Rights** according to you were stepped upon by the State? **Discuss** and **draw conclusion** on how it impacts the faith of citizen on the Constitution. (**Word Limit 100-200**)

b) What **Fundamental Duties** did you performed to contain the pandemic Corona virus (COVID-19)? (**Word Limit 100- 200**)

c) **Draw conclusion** on importance of having **Fundamental Duties** clearly **defined** in our Constitution and how it played an **important role** in the time of pandemic (COVID-19). **(Word Limit 100- 200)**

d) What **social, healthcare and economic** measures governments at national and state level took during the pandemic and **need to take** to ensure keeping with the spirit of **constitution** deeply rooted in **Welfare State**? **(Word Limit 100- 200)**

e) What is your **assessment** of **Directive Principles** of **State Policy** followed by the Governments at national and state level, in the hour of unprecedented crisis of **COVID-19**, 2020. **(Word Limit 100- 200)**

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