



# CLASS - 10

## SOCIAL SCIENCE

Democratic Politics - II

CH-3 : GENDER, RELIGION  
AND CASTE

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Previous Year Questions

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# PREVIOUS YEAR QUESTIONS



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Answer :

The assertion of social diversities in a democratic country is very normal and can be healthy because :

- (i) This allows various disadvantaged and marginal social groups to express their grievances and get the government to attend to them.
- (ii) Expression of various social diversity results in their cancelling one another out and thus reducing their intensity.

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(iii) They also help to uplift the marginalised or  
deprived section of society which also leads to  
strengthening of democracy



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(2019)



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**2** | Social divisions affect politics. Examine the statement. **(2019)**

**Answer :**

Yes, social division affect politics in the following ways :

- (i) It strengthens the idea of communal politics.
- (ii) Government mainly supports the majority community, by denying the rights of minority community.

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(iii) Politics of social division is very normal and can be healthy, it allows people to express their grievances.

(iv) Its outcome depends on how people perceive their identity, or how political leaders raise their demands, and it depends on how the government react to demands of different groups.

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**Answer :**

In our country, women still lag much behind men despite some improvements since Independence.

Women face disadvantage, discrimination and oppression in various ways:

- (i) The literacy rate among women is only 54 per cent as compared with 76 per cent among men.

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(ii) Similarly, a smaller proportion of girl students go for higher studies. Girls are performing as well as boys in school. But they drop out because parents prefer to spend their resources for their boys education rather than spending equally on their sons and daughters.

(iii) The proportion of women among the highly paid and valued jobs is still very small. On an average an Indian women works one hour more than an average man everyday.

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(iv) The Equal Wages Act provides that equal wages should be paid for equal work. However in almost all areas of work, from sports and cinema, to factories and fields, women are paid less than men, even when both do exactly the same work.

(v) In many parts of India, parents prefer to have sons and find ways to have the girl child aborted before she is born. Such sex selective abortion led to a decline in child sex ratio.

(vi) Women face harassment, exploitation and violence on the domestic front.

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**Answer :**

Empowering women by providing education to them. Educate women about their legal rights as well as laws like Domestic Violence Act, Inheritance Laws etc. to protect them.

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**Answer :**

The way to create communal harmony among various communities of India are given below:

- (i) To show respect to the religion of others.
- (ii) To prevent activities that exploits the right of other communities.
- (iii) To celebrate all religious functions together.

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(iv) To make others aware about the need for paying respect to the religion and social practices of people belonging to different faiths.



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**6** | Mention any three features of 'secularism' described in the Indian Constitution. (2020 & 23)

**Answer :**

The three features of secularism described in the Indian Constitution are as follows —

- (i) The Constitution of India does not give special recognition to any religion and there is no state religion in India.
- (ii) All individuals and communities have been given freedom to practice, profess and propagate any religion.
- (iii) The Constitution of India puts ban on the discrimination on grounds of religion.

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(2020)



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**7** | Mention the problem of 'Casteism' in Indian politics. **(2020)**

**Answer :**

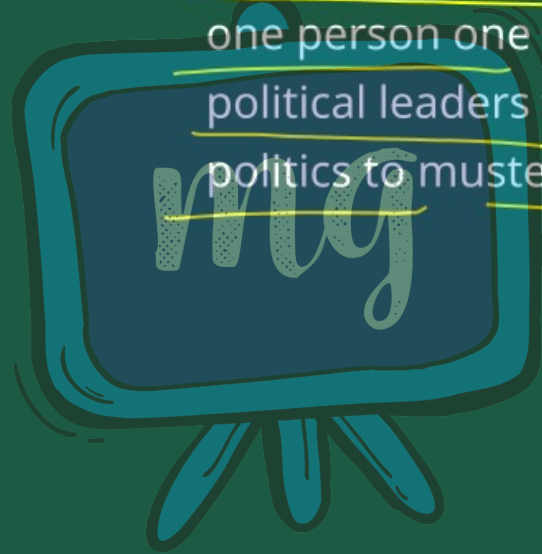
Problems of casteism in Indian politics :

- (i) When parties choose candidates in elections, they keep in mind the caste composition of the electorate and nominate candidates from different castes so as to get necessary support to win elections.
- (ii) Some political parties are known to favour some particular caste.

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(iii) Universal Adult Franchise and the principle of one person one vote have compelled the political leaders to bring caste sentiments into politics to muster support.



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Two statements are given below as Assertion (A) and Reason (R). Read the statements and choose the appropriate option.

**8** **Assertion (A)** : Women in different parts of the World organized themselves and agitated for equal rights.

**Reason (R)** : Women's movement aimed at equality in personal and family life as well. **(2023)**

**A**

Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).

**B**

Both (A) and (R) are true, but (R) is the not correct explanation of (A).

**C**

(A) is true, but (R) is false.

**D**

(A) is false, but (R) is true.

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**9** | Which one of the following matters do NOT deal with the 'Family Laws'? **(2023)**

- A** Marriage
- B** Adoption
- C** Inheritance
- D** Finance

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Which of the following term refers to the belief in and advocacy for the social, political and economic equality of women? (2024)

- A Patriarchy
- B Matriarchy
- C Socialist
- D Feminists

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Read the given statements:

- India has no official religion.
  - All the communities have freedom to profess and practice any religion in India
- (2024)

Which one of the following constitutional term is used for the above statements?

- A Republic
- B Secular
- C Sovereign
- D Socialist