

GS-I Salient Features of Indian Society, Diversity of India. Social Empowerment, Communalism, Regionalism & Secularism.

- 1. The spirit of tolerance and love is not only an interesting feature of Indian society from very early times, but it is also playing an important part at the present. Explain.**

Why this Question?

- ▶▶ The glaring absence of figures relating to incidents of lynching in the recently released national crime records bureau (NCRB) database on the pretext that the data received from the states were “unreliable” hints at a deliberate attempt to keep the figures under wraps. Figures available from various other sources indicate that in 63 incidents, 28 persons were killed between 2010 and 2017, of which 24 were Muslims. There have been 266 cases of lynching since 2014 and this continues to show an upward trend.

Key Demands of Question:

- ▶▶ Briefly explain the tolerance and love is an integral part of the Indian society in early times.
- ▶▶ Explain why it is very important in the present times.
- ▶▶ Illustrate with suitable examples, facts and figures.

Directive Word:

Explain:

- ▶▶ Here the student should clearly express why something happens, or why something is the way it is. He needs to look at a subject in depth taking note of the detail and if appropriate, consider the implications, and should explain them in good simple language.

Structure of Answer:

Introduction:

- ▶▶ Explain the spirit of tolerance and love is an essential feature of Indian society or explain why it is needed in present times with suitable examples.

Body:

- ▶▶ Explain in detail about the tolerance and love ingrained in the Indian society.
- ▶▶ Mention the causes for the degradation of the tolerance and the love in the present times. For example, hate crimes, lynching, etc.,
- ▶▶ Discuss the importance to restore the spirit of tolerance and love. For example, communal harmony, reviving the secular spirit, etc.

Conclusion:

- ▶▶ Conclude with the way forward measures to overcome the issues like lynching, mobocracy, etc.