

GS-II Indian Constitution- Historical Underpinnings, Evolution, Features, Amendments, Significant Provisions and Basic Structure

1. We need to complement our assertion of our Fundamental Rights with recognition of our Fundamental Duties. Comment

Why this Question?

- The Idea of citizenship has acquired a new meaning, content and purpose in the Democratic World. While emphasising rights, it also very important to recognise one's Fundamental Duties.

Key Demands of Question:

- Briefly explain the statement with the introduction of fundamental rights and fundamental duties.
- Explain how the recognition of our Fundamental duties we are able to complement of our rights.
- Explain the constitutional provisions and the famous leaders thought about the fundamental duties and its relevance in Contemporary Times.

Directive word:

Comment:

- When you are asked to comment, you have to pick main points and give your 'opinion' on them based on evidences or arguments stemming from your wide reading.
- Your opinion may be for or against, but you must back your argument with evidences.
- These types of question offer you a chance to consolidate your reading of different subjects to justify your opinion.

Structure of Answer:

Introduction:

- Give brief intro the fundamental rights and fundamental duties with relevance to the statement.

Body:

- Explain how the recognition of our Fundamental duties we are able to complement of our rights.
- Discuss why the importance given to the fundamental duty in the complex governance systems. For example, increasing pollution, national security, fake news, post-truth, etc.
- Illustrate with examples such as US and Singapore give importance to the citizen's duties and how they attain the development in short span of time.

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- Highlight the constitutional provisions of the fundamental duties.

Conclusion:

- Conclude with the constitutional makers thought on the fundamental duty and its importance in the Nation's Progress.

