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# The Constitution of India: An Introduction

Section A: Fill in the blanks.				
1. The Constitution of India came into effect on				
2. The Constitution is preserved i	2. The Constitution is preserved in a in the Parliament.			
4. The Constitution of India is the	4. The Constitution of India is the			
5. The	5. The was formed in 1946.			
6. The Preamble begins with the	6. The Preamble begins with the words			
7. The three organs of the govern	7. The three organs of the government are			
8. The Constitution guarantees _	8. The Constitution guarantees to all citizens.			
10.The term "Secular" was added	l to the Preamble by the	•		
Section B: Match the following.				
A	В	Ans.		
a. Nandalal Bose	i. Parliamentary System	a		
b. Prem Behari Narain Raizada	ii. Illustrated the pages of the Constitution	b		
c. France	iii. Calligrapher of the Constitution	c		
d. USA	iv. Directive Principles	d		
e. Ireland	v. Independent Judiciary	e		
f. UK	vi. Liberty, Equality, Fraternity	f		
Section C: Choose the correct option	and tick (✓) the right answer.			
1. When did the Constitution of I	ndia come into effect?			
a. 15th August, 1947	b. 26th November, 1949			
c. 26th January, 1950	d. 9th December, 1946			
2. Which of the following is part	of India's cultural heritage that influenced the Co	nstitution?		
a. Judicial review				
b. Concept of 'Vasudhaiva Kut	b. Concept of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam'			
c. Parliamentary system				
d. Separation of powers				

	3.	How many parts and schedule: 1950?	s did t	he Indian Con	istitution have v	when it was adopted in
		a. 22 parts & 8 schedules	$\neg$	b. 25 parts &	12 schedules	
		c. 30 parts & 10 schedules	$\exists$	d. 20 parts &		
	4.		<b>ر</b> the Co	•		tially was
		a. 389		b. 299	, 	,
		c. 250		d. 400		
	5.	In which year was the 73rd Co	onstitut	ional Amendm	nent Act passed	d, which integrated the
		Panchayati Raj System into the Co	onstitut	ion?		
		a. 1990		b. 1992		
		c. 1989		d. 1995		
	6.	The Constitution guarantees the I	Right to	Education und	der Article:	
		a. 19		b. 21		
		c. 21-A		d. 22		
	7.	The term "Fraternity" in the Prear	mble m	eans:		
		a. Equality		b. Brotherhoo	od	
		c. Freedom		d. Justice		
	8.	The Constitution was written in ne	early:			
		a. 5 years		b. 4 years		
		c. 3 years		d. 2 years		
	9.	How many women were in the C	onstitu	ent Assembly?		
		a. 10		b. 5		
		c. 20		d. 15		
	10	). How many members were in the	: Const	ituent Assembly	y after Partition	Ś
		a. 299		b. 399		
		c. 389		d. 289		
Se		n D: Write T for True and F for Fal				
		The Constitution of India came in				
		Dr. Rajendra Prasad was the Cha		J		
	3.			Rights and Dut	ies.	
		Helium gas reacts with ink and p	•			
	5.	The Preamble expresses the spirit	of the	Constitution.		

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	6. The Constitution of India was written in less than one year.	
	7. The 73rd Amendment deals with the Panchayati Raj system	
	8. The ideals of Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity came from the	USA.
	9. The Constitution ensures justice, liberty, equality, and frater	nity.
	10.India's Constitution can never be changed.	
Sec	tion E: One Word Answer.	
	1. The book that lays down the laws and principles of our nati	on
	2. The gas used to preserve the Constitution	
	3. The place where the parade is held	
	4. The head of state who takes an oath to protect the Constitu	tion
	5. The Chairman of the Constituent Assembly	~ () ·
	6. The day the Constitution came into effect	
Sec	tion F: Answer the following questions.	
	1. What is a Constitution?	
	Ans	
	2. Name the three organs of the Indian Government.	
	Ans	
	3. What is the three-tier system of government in India?	
	Ans	
	4. Name any two Fundamental Duties.	
	Ans.	
	5. What is the role of the judiciary in a democracy?	
	Ans	
	6. Mention any two features that make the Indian Constitution	unique.
	Ans	·

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4.	What are Directive Principles of State Policy?
	Ans
5.	Explain the difference between Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles.
	Ans
	n H:: Assertion and Reasoning.
1.	Assertion (A): The Constitution of India is called a living document.
	Reason (R): Because it can be amended according to the changing needs of society.
	Ans
2.	Assertion (A): The term "Secular" means that India has an official religion.
	Reason (R): The Constitution allows the government to favour one religion.

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#### Answer

# Section A: Fill in the blanks

- 1. 26 January 1950
- 2. Helium-filled glass case
- 3. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar
- 4. World's largest written constitution
- 5. Constituent Assembly
- 6. "We, the People of India"
- 7. Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary
- 8. Fundamental Rights
- Directive Principles of State Policy
- 10. 42nd Amendment (1976)

### Section B: Match the following

a — ii

b – iii

c – vi

d - v

e – iv

f – i

## Section C: MCQs

- 1. c) 26th January, 1950
- 4. a) 389

8. c) 3 years

- b) Concept of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam'
- 5. b) 1992

9. d) 15

- 6. c) 21-A
- 21-A 10. a) 299
- 3. a) 22 parts & 8 schedules
- 7. b) Brotherhood

### Section D: True or False

- 1. False
- 2. False
- 3. True
- 4. False
- 5. True

- 6. False
- 7. True
- 8. False
- 9. True
- 10. False

#### Section E: One Word Answer

1. Constitution

3. Kartavya Path

5. Dr. Rajendra Prasad

2. Helium

4. President

6. Republic Day

#### Section F: Short Answer Questions

- 1. A Constitution is a document that lays down the basic principles, structure, and laws by which a country is governed.
- 2. Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary.
- 3. It includes the Central Government, State Governments, and Local Self-Governments (Panchayati Raj).
- 4. (i) To protect the environment. (ii) To respect the National Flag and the National Anthem.
- 5. The judiciary ensures laws are followed, protects citizens' rights, and maintains justice by interpreting the Constitution.
- 6. (i) It is the world's largest written Constitution. (ii) It includes Fundamental Rights, Duties, and Directive Principles.
- 7. Because it can be amended to meet the changing needs of society.
- 8. It acts as a rulebook that defines powers, ensures fairness, and protects citizens' rights.
- 9. India's freedom struggle, cultural heritage, and ideas from other democratic countries like the USA, UK, France, and Ireland.

10. It declares India as Sovereign, Socialist, Secular, Democratic, Republic and ensures Justice, Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity.

# Section G: Long Answer Questions

- 1. Describe the process of making the Indian Constitution.
  - → The Constituent Assembly was formed in 1946 with 389 members, later reduced to 299 after Partition.
  - → It represented various regions and communities of India.
  - → Dr. Rajendra Prasad was the Chairman, and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar chaired the Drafting Committee.
  - → The Constitution took nearly three years to complete.
  - → It was adopted on 26 November 1949 and came into effect on 26 January 1950.
- 2. Explain the key features of the Indian Constitution.
  - → It is the longest written Constitution in the world.
  - → It provides a parliamentary form of government.
  - → It guarantees Fundamental Rights and Duties.
  - → It includes Directive Principles for social and economic justice.
  - → It provides for a federal structure and secularism.
- 3. How did India's freedom struggle influence the Constitution?
  - → The ideals of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity came from the freedom struggle.
  - → Leaders aimed to eliminate discrimination and ensure equal rights for all.
  - → The experience of the struggle shaped democratic values in the Constitution.
- 4. What are Directive Principles of State Policy?
  - → They are guidelines for the government to ensure the welfare of citizens.
  - → They aim to create social and economic justice.
  - → Examples: Promotion of education, protection of environment, and equal pay for equal work.
  - → Though not enforceable by courts, they guide policy-making.

5.

Fundamental Rights	Directive Principles
Legally enforceable	Not legally enforceable
Protect individual freedom	Aim at social and economic welfare
Example: Right to Equality	Example: Promotion of education
Courts can enforce them	Serve as moral guidelines

#### Section H: Assertion and Reasoning

- 1. Both A and R are true, and R correctly explains A.
- 2. Both A and R are false. India has no official religion; all religions are treated equally.