

Constitutional Design Homework

1) Name the chairman of the drafting committee of the constitution of India?

Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar (B.R. Ambedkar) is the chairman of the drafting committee of the constitution of India.

2) What does the word secular mean according to the Indian constitution?

> The word secular means citizens have complete freedom to follow any religion. But there is no official religion.

> Government treats all religious beliefs & practices with equal respect.

3) Name the first captain of the Indian Hockey Team who was a member of the constituent assembly?
Jai Pal Singh is the first captain of the Indian Hockey Team who was a member of the Constituent Assembly.

4) Why is India called Republic?

India is called Republic because the head of the state is an elected person & not a hereditary position.

5) In which magazine did Gandhiji discuss his ideas about constitution & its workings?
In Young India magazine Gandhiji discussed his ideas about constitution & its workings.

6) What is meant by the term socialist?

> The term socialist means wealth is generated socially and should be shared equally by society.

> Government should regulate the ownership of land & industry to reduce socio-economic inequalities.

7) What is Preamble? Explain any five major ideals enshrined in the Preamble of the Indian Constitution?

The constitution begins with a short statement of its basic values. This is called the Preamble.

Five major ideals enshrined in the Preamble to the constitution are :-

i) Sovereign

People have supreme right to make decisions on internal as well as external matters. No external power can dictate the government of India.

ii) Socialist

Wealth is generated socially & should be shared equally by society. Government should regulate the ownership of land & industry to reduce socio-economic inequalities.

iii) Secular

Citizens have complete freedom to follow any religion. But there is no official religion. Government treats all religious beliefs & practices with equal respect.

iv) Democratic

A form of government where people enjoy equal political rights, elect their rulers & hold them accountable. The government is run according to some basic rules.

v) Republic

The head of the state is an elected person & not a hereditary position.