

Directive Principles of State Policy and Fundamental Duties

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List the restrictions on the powers of the Government.

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Solution:

The restrictions on the powers of the Government are as follows:

- State cannot discriminate between and among citizens on the basis of caste, religion, race, language, or sex.
- State cannot deny anybody equality before the law and equal protection of the law.
- No person shall be deprived of his life.
- State cannot impose any religious taxes.

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Say 'Yes' or 'No'.

The jobs advertised in the newspaper are for men and women both.

1. Yes
2. No

Solution: The jobs advertised in the newspaper are for men and women both. - **yes**

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Say 'Yes' or 'No'.

Men and women doing the same work in a factory get different wages.

1. Yes
2. No

Solution: Men and women doing the same work in a factory get different wages. - **No**

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Say 'Yes' or 'No'.

Government implements various schemes for the improvement of public health.

1. Yes
2. No

Solution: Government implements various schemes for the improvement of public health. - **Yes**

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Say 'Yes' or 'No'.

The State shall protect all monuments of historic interest and national importance.

1. Yes
2. No

Solution: The State shall protect all monuments of historic interest and national importance. - **Yes**

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Tell why -

The State shall protect all monuments of historic interest.

Solution:

1. All monuments of historic interest like artefacts, buildings, etc. give a lot of information about the rich cultural heritage of the country.
2. Some of these monuments tell us about the inspiring story of India's freedom struggle, the reigns, and rulers of the past, etc.

Hence, the State shall protect all monuments of historic interest.

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Tell why -

A pension scheme is implemented for old people.

Solution:

1. According to a provision in the Constitution, it is imperative on the State to offer public assistance to citizens in cases of unemployment, old age, sickness, etc.
2. It is mentioned as one of the Directive Principles of State Policy.
3. A pension scheme ensures financial help to the enrolled citizens above 60 years of age.

Hence, a pension scheme is implemented for old people.

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Tell why -

Free and compulsory education has been made available to children in the age group 6 to 14.

Solution:

1. As per our Constitution, all children between 6 and 14 years of age are entitled to get education as a Fundamental Right.
2. However, some of them have to work to help their parents earn a living for the family.
3. In spite of these adverse conditions, as per the Right to Education Act, receiving an education is extremely necessary for these children.

Hence, free and compulsory education has been made available to children in the age group 6 to 14.

Exercise | Q 4.1 | Page 87

Say right or wrong. Correct and write the wrong one.

Not to let the National Flag fall down on the ground.

1. Right
2. Wrong

Solution: Not to let the National Flag fall down on the ground. - **Right**

Exercise | Q 4.2 | Page 87

Say right or wrong. Correct and write the wrong one.

To stand at attention while the National Anthem is playing.

1. Right
2. Wrong

Solution: To stand at attention while the National Anthem is playing. - **Right**

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Say right or wrong. Correct and write the wrong one.

To carve or paint our names on the walls of a historic place like a fort.

1. Right
2. Wrong

Solution: To carve or paint our names on the walls of a historic place like a fort.
- **Wrong**

Statement - It is our Fundamental Duty to value and preserve the rich heritage including historic places like fort. Hence, we should not spoil or destroy such historical places by carving or painting our names on them.

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Say right or wrong. Correct and write the wrong one.

To give lesser wages to women than to men for the same work.

1. Right
2. Wrong

Solution: To give lesser wages to women than to men for the same work. - **Wrong.**

Statement - There is a directive to ensure 'equal pay for equal work' according to which both men and women should get equal pay for the same work.

Exercise | Q 4.5 | Page 87

Say right or wrong. Correct and write the wrong one.

To keep public places clean

1. Right
2. Wrong

Solution: To keep public places clean - **Right**

Exercise | Q 5.1 | Page 87

The Directive Principles of the Constitution enumerated in the textbook.

Solution:

1. The directive instructions specified by the Constitution to the State on how to achieve the goals, expressed in the Preamble, are called as Directive Principles of State Policy.
2. The Directive Principles of the Constitution enumerated in the textbook are as follows:
 - a. The State must ensure sufficient means of livelihood for all citizens without any gender discrimination.
 - b. The State must ensure equal pay for equal work for both men and women.
 - c. The State must ensure that the public health improves.
 - d. The State must ensure the protection and improvement of the environment by safeguarding the forests and wild-life of the country.
 - e. The State should protect all monuments of historic interest and national importance.
 - f. The State should promote, with special care, the educational and economic interests of the weaker sections of the society, especially the Scheduled Castes and Tribes.
 - g. The State should offer public assistance to citizens in cases of unemployment, old age, sickness, etc.
 - h. The State should secure a uniform civil code applicable to the entire country.

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The provision of a uniform civil code for citizens in the Directive Principles of the Indian Constitution.

Solution:

1. Secularism is one of our goals as per our Preamble. Accordingly, all religions are considered as equal. No one religion is considered to be the State religion and the citizens are free to follow their own religion.
2. Also, to make India a 'Sovereign, Socialist, Secular, Democratic Republic', the principles of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity have been included in our Preamble.
3. Implementing a uniform civil code for citizens will help realise the above goals, support the above principles and prevent any discrimination among individuals on the basis of caste, creed, race, language, region, place of birth, or sex.
4. This will help realise the larger goal of public welfare which in turn will help the nation to progress. Hence, the provision of a uniform civil code for citizens is included in the Directive Principles of the Indian Constitution.

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Why is it said that the Directive Principles and Fundamental Rights are two sides of the same coin?

Solution:

1. Fundamental Rights give citizens the most needed liberty. On the other hand, Directive Principles of State Policy create an atmosphere conducive to the growth of democracy.
2. Although we cannot go to the courts if the government does not implement a Directive, we can put pressure on the Government to make a policy in accordance with the Directive Principles.
3. This implies that the Directive Principles and Fundamental Rights are both specified in the Constitution with a common goal of public welfare.

Hence, we can say that the Directive Principles and Fundamental Rights are two sides of the same coin.

Exercise | Q 6 | Page 87

What are the ways in which citizens can conserve the environment? Write with examples.

Solution:

1. The living and non-living components of the environment like animals and trees, air, water, etc are natural resources. It is our duty to protect the resources of our country.
2. It is important to maintain a balance between these natural components to maintain a stable environment. Even if we take into account one component, that is air, citizen can do many things to protect it. As trees maintain the balance between the different components of air like oxygen and carbon dioxide, citizens can run campaigns for conserving trees around them and also for planting new trees in their surroundings.
3. A moderate and a considerate use of natural resources will also help to conserve the environment.
4. Example:
 - a. Instead of using a four-wheeler to go to nearby places, one may opt for a bicycle and prevent air pollution.
 - b. Car-pooling (sharing the ride with friends and co-workers) is another option to reduce the consumption of fuel and reduce air-pollution.