Federalism

HOTS QUESTIONS (HQ)

- Q.1. Imagine a situation where both the state government and the central government wish to make law on newspaper.
- **Ans.** In this situation the central government's, i.e., the union's, law will be implemented because 'Newspaper' is the subject of Concurrent List.
- Q.2. If you are permanently settled in Sweden. Being an Indian can you be entitled of getting the citizenship of Sweden?
- **Ans.** Yes, I can get the citizenship of Sweden because under the new scheme of Overseas Indian Citizenship Act, 2003'. Overseas Indians are allowed to hold dual citizenship of some specified countries. Sweden is one ofthem.
- Q.3. "There are two sets of identities, people belong to the region as well as the country. Each region has a separate system of government, distinct powers and responsibilities." Which form of federalismis having all these characteristics and which country practises this federalism?
- **Ans.** "Coming together form of federalism" is having all these characteristics, This includes:
 - (i) Power sharing at two levels.
 - (ii) Dual citizenship.
 - (iii) Specified separation of powers and responsibilities.

This form is practised in USA.

- Q.4. "If we would not have linguistic formation of states in our country, we might have had: one language and 14 or 15 nations." What does this statement signify?
- **Ans.** The above statement signifies that if we had not accommodated linguistic diversities in our country in a very meaningful way through the linguistic formation of states, we would have to face a situation where the country was divided into 14 or 15 nations.