Democratic Rights

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1.	Indicate the Fundamental Right with which the statement is associated :
	(a) One can go to the court if one is deprived of one's rights
	(b) Tamil Sangam and Maharashtra Bhawan are opened in Delhi
	(c) A citizen is free to move anywhere in India
	(d) Untouchability is abolished
	(e) Begar is forbidden by law
Ans.	(a) Right to Constitutional Remedies
	(b) Cultural and Educational Rights
	(c) Right to Freedom of Movement
	(d) Right to Equality
	(e) Right Against Exploitation
2.	Which of the following is not an instance of an exercise of a Fundamental Right?
	(a) Workers from Bihar go to Punjab to work on the farms
	(b) Christian missions set up a chain of missionary schools
	(c) Men and women government employees get the same salary
	(d) Parents' property is inherited by their children. [NCERT]
Ans.	(a) Parents' property is inherited by their children.
3.	Which of the following freedoms is not available to an Indian citizen?
	(a) Freedom to criticise the government
	(b) Freedom to participate in armed revolution
	(c) Freedom to start a movement to change the government
	(d) Freedom to oppose the central values of the Constitution. [NCERT]
Ans.	Freedom to participate in armed revolution and freedom to oppose the central values of the Constitution.
4.	Which of the following rights is available under the Indian Constitution?
	(a) Right to work
	(b) Right to adequate livelihood
	(c) Right to protect one's culture
	(d) Right to privacy. [NCERT]

Ans. (c) Right to protect one's culture.

5. Name the Fundamental Right under which each of the following rights falls :

- (a) Freedom to propagate one's religion
- (b) Right to life
- (c) Abolition of untouchability
- (d) Ban on bonded labour.
- Ans. (a) Right to Freedom of Religion
 - (b) Right to Freedom
 - (c) Right to Equality
 - (d) Right against Exploitation
- 6. Which of these statements about the relationship between democracy and rights is more valid?
 - Give reasons for your preference.
 - (a) Every country that is a democracy gives rights to its citizens.
 - (b) Every country that gives rights to its citizens is a democracy.
 - (c) Giving rights is good, but it is not necessary for a democracy. [NCERT]
- **Ans.** (a) Every country that gives rights to its citizens is a democracy. This is because Rights are the hallmarks of a democracy.
- 7. Are these restrictions on the right to freedom justified? Give reasons for your answer.
 - (a) Indian citizens need permission to visit some border areas of the country for reasons of security.

(b) Outsiders are not allowed to buy property in some areas to protect the interest of the local population.

(c) The government bans the publication of a book that can go against the ruling party in the next elections. [NCEKT]

- Ans. (a) Yes. Because Right to freedom of movement does not mean that the security of the nation should be compromised.
 - (b) Yes. This is necessary to prevent the locals from being exploited.

(c) No. This is against all democratic norms and the people have the right to know about the shortcomings of their government.

8. Manoj went to a college to apply for admission into an MBA course. The clerk refused to take his application and said "You, the son of a sweeper, wish to be a manager! Has anyone done this job in your community? Go to the municipality office and apply for a sweeper's

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position". Which of Manoj's fundamental rights are being violated in this instance?

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Ans. Right to Equality.

9. When Madhurima went to the property registration of lice, the Registrar told her, "You can't write your name as Madhurima Banerjee do A.K. Banerjee. You are married, so you must give your husband's name. Your husband's surname is Rao. So your name should be changed to Madhurima Rao." She did not agree. She said "If my husband's name has not changed after marriage, why should mine be?" In your opinion who is right in this dispute? And why?

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Ans. Madhurima is right because she has a right to retain her maiden name as both men and women have equal rights.