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• **Preamble and its Significance**

❖ **What is constitution?**

1. The constitution is a document that provides an edifice of principles and framework for the functions of the organs of the government of a state and it declares the principles governing the operation of those organs.
2. The Constitution sets out the matrix to regulate the different institutions of the Government within the Nation and outside the Nation.
3. Constitution is a codification of those basic rules which can not be disregarded by the Government and by any authority of the Government.
4. The constitution is a floor to check and balance the adopted procedures, by the authorities of Government.
5. The constitution is an erection of Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles, Fundamental Duties, and Structure of Institutions of Government at the Central and State levels.

❖ **What is Preamble?**

- ❖ The Preamble of the Constitution is a collection of 63 words which is an ideal piece of structure that lays down the pillars of the Country.
- ❖ The Preamble of the Constitution is an aspiration and natural ideal of the people of India.
- ❖ The Preamble is a sort of introduction to the statute and many times very helpful to understand the policy and intention of the Government at both levels.

In the case of I.C Golak Nath V. State of Punjab AIR 1967 SC 1643

C.J. Subba Rao said that the Preamble to an Act sets out the main objectives that the legislation is intended to achieve.

The Preamble embodies in a solemn form all the ideals and aspirations for which the country has struggled so far.

❖ **PREAMBLE OF THE INDIAN CONSTITUTION**

- WE, THE PEOPLE OF INDIA, having solemnly resolved to constitute India into a SOVEREIGN SOCIALIST SECULAR DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC and to secure to all its citizens:
- JUSTICE, social, economic and political;
- LIBERTY of thought, expression, belief, faith, and worship;
- EQUALITY of status and of opportunity;

- and to promote among them all
- FRATERNITY assuring the dignity of the individual and the unity and integrity of the Nation;
- IN OUR CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY this twenty-sixth day of November 1949, do HEREBY ADOPT, ENACT AND GIVE TO OURSELVES THIS CONSTITUTION

➤ **Objectives of the Preamble of the Indian Constitution**

- THE PEOPLE OF INDIA
- SOVEREIGN SOCIALIST SECULAR DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
- JUSTICE, social, economic and political
- LIBERTY of thought, expression, belief, faith, and worship
- EQUALITY of status and of opportunity
- FRATERNITY

➤ **SOCIALIST, SECULAR, UNITY, AND INTEGRITY WERE INSERTED BY THE 42nd AMENDMENT IN 1976**

PURPOSE OF PREAMBLE

It gives the source from which the Constitution comes, that is the People of India

It gives the enacting date, not which Constitution comes into force

It declares the Rights of People of India and the nature of Polity which has been adopted by the Government

Significance Of the Preamble In the Indian Constitution

The Constitution of India is the supreme law of the land. The Constitution begins with the preamble. The Preamble is part of the basic structure of the Constitution.

It holds significant importance for several reasons which are as follows:

- **Guiding principles.**
The preamble of the Indian Constitution provides for the guiding principles by which the provisions of the Constitution are interpreted. It acts as a moral compass for the judiciary and other organs of the government. To ensure that the objectives of the Constitution are upheld.
- **Unity in diversity**
The Indian Constitution is designed in such a way as to accommodate the diverse cultural, linguistic, religious, and social backgrounds of the country. Mentioning words such as 'fraternity in the preamble emphasizes the need for unity and harmony among the people of India.
- **Constitutional identity**
The preamble defines the essential identity of the Indian Constitution. It

sets the tone for the entire legal framework and for the subsequent articles and provisions in the Constitution.

- **International influence**

The use of the words such as 'Justice, 'Liberty, and 'Equality in the preamble, reflects the influence of international ideals and principles. It highlights India's commitment to global values of human rights, social justice, and equality.

- **Reflection of historical struggles**

The preamble reflects the sacrifices made and the struggles faced by the Indian people in their fight for an independent India and Justice. It pays homage to the freedom fighters and the principles for which they fought.

In summary, the preamble of the Indian Constitution encapsulates the foundational values, principles, and objectives that guide the nation's governance. It plays a very significant role in shaping the interpretation and application of the provisions of the Constitution and serves as a reminder of the vision and the goals of the framers of the Constitution.

➤ **CONCLUSION**

- **The Preamble of our Constitution is of extreme importance because it lays down the unique parameters for the Government to govern the democratic country for the welfare of society in three dimensions that is, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, and POLITICAL without any discrimination.**
- **The Preamble is the soul of the Constitution which buttresses the inalienable character of the Country, that is SOVEREIGN SOCIALIST SECULAR DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC.**
- **The Preamble ensures the Rights which were provided to the People of India, for which they had struggled so far.**