

Paper : Indian Political System

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Features of Indian constitution :

1.The bulkiest constitution of the world,2.Rigidity and flexibility,3.Parliamentary system of government,4.Federal system with a unitary bias,5.Fundamental rights and fundamental duties,6.Directive principles of state policy,7. Independent judiciary,8.Single citizenship,9.Bi-cameral legislature,10.Emergency powers.

Directive principles of state policy :

- Articles 36-51 under Part-IV of Indian Constitution deal with Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSP). They are borrowed from the Constitution of Ireland, which had copied it from the Spanish Constitution.
- This article will solely discuss the Directive Principles of State Policy, its importance in the Indian Constitution and the history of its conflict with Fundamental Rights.

Fundamental Rights :

These are mentioned in Part III of the Indian Constitution in articles 12-35.They were taken from the Constitution of the USA.

Fundamental Duties :

These are mentioned in Part IV A of the Indian Constitution in the article 51A.They were borrowed from the Constitution of the former Soviet Union or USSR.

Centre-State Relations :

The centre-state relations are divided into three parts, which are mentioned below:

- (A) Legislative Relations (Article 245-255)
- (B) Administrative Relations (Article 256-263)

