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Q 1

What is the uniform civil code? Can it become reality in India? If so what implications will it have on women and religious minorities?

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Uniform Civil Code (UCC) refers to common set of laws governing personal matters such as marriage, divorce, inheritance etc. It falls in Article 44 in Part IV of Constitution of India.

Recently, there have been many discussions over its implementation. It can become reality in India, ^{only} when -

1. Awareness is spread among the society about its benefits.
2. Discussion over religious practices in the society is encouraged.
3. When people are adequately socialized and accept to bring changes in religion.

When implemented, UCC would have wide ranging impact on various sections of society like -

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1. Women - Muslim women will be saved
from polygamy and will be awarded
maintenance in divorce cases
- Hindu women will become contenders
for natural guardianship
- Women would become eligible for
inheritance of property and in no
case would this right be violated.

2. Religious minorities
- Practices of various groups inside the
religion may be undermined by the
common laws of UCC.
- Traditional culture and custom may
be lost by imposition of uniformity
- Religious minorities would fear the
pressure of majority religious practices
- UCC in India is in its discussion
phase and can be successfully
implemented only after adequate
socialisation and development of tolerance
among various religious groups.

- Good analysis
- Good no. of dimensions
- Structure & flow of Ans is good
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Q-2

Define the concept of "Foster Families". How is it different from adoption? Has India truly accepted the concept?

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Foster families are the families that provide custody or guardianship of a child whose parents are not able to take care of the child. It is different from adoption which is a legal process in which a person or a couple becomes legal parents of the child.

⇒ Difference between Foster Family and Adoption

Foster Family

Adoption

1. It is like a job where remuneration is sought

It is not a job and child becomes a part of the family.

2. Emotional bond formed with child is weak

Emotional bond with child is very strong.

3. Child keeps in touch with biological parents.

No touch with biological parents is maintained

4. It is a temporary process

It is a permanent legal status.

Guardian

Not always

legal parents

Not always

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Indian society has undergone many changes, especially post-globalization. The concept of foster families is a new one. It is now seen in metropolises where husband and wife are both working.

But, still its acceptance is very low. The babysitting and child care are often taken care by elderlies. According to Pauline Kolinda, Indian nuclear families have lifecycle from fission to fusion, especially for primary socialization of children.

Indian joint families have not disintegrated (AM Shah) and therefore, foster families are not the norm in India.

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① Still want of biological child

② Discrimination based on caste, colour, creed

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Add these dimensions



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Q 3 How has the pandemic led to increase in child sexual abuse online? What can be the possible prevention strategies or measures that can help curb the menace? 1007

According to Global Threat Assessment Report, 2021 there has been a significant spike in online child sexual abuse cases during the pandemic, throughout the world.

→ The pandemic led to conditions favourable for child sexual abuse online as -

1. Ready availability of internet connection and mobiles, tablets, laptops etc with children since education shifted online.
2. Negligence on part of parents as both parents busy in work from home - 77% rise in child 'self generated' sexual material.
3. Lack of digital education to elders
4. Lack of reproductive and ~~sexual~~ education in schools and by parents.

This menace can be curbed by

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the following strategies -

1. Parents - have a responsibility of socialization of their children which now includes digital and internet socialization as well.

2. Internet Service Providers - should use stricter norms and not permit the children from viewing and posting online. Also in case of a sexual post, the provider should take it down immediately.

3. Government - Improve child protection services

4. Schools - Adequate education about healthy policies of internet use should be taught.

Such incidences impact the mental health of the children and should be curbed with immediate action.

Good use of examples

Structure of this is flow of good

Keep case of mental health

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Q4 Does social media still qualify as an agent of free speech? What impact does it continue to have on the Indian democracy?

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Social media, during the pandemic, has proved to be an important means of communication, ^{growing} businesses and voice for and against the state.

Social media is an agent of free speech as -

1. It is readily accessible and is a safe platform to express one's thoughts about any topic whatsoever.
2. The items published, though can be brought down, but only by appropriate authority, when it is something illegal.
3. It has risen as a medium to mobilise people in large numbers and also from far flung areas.
4. It provides voice to all the marginalized sections of society.

It has the following impacts on modern

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democracy -

1. Positive Impact

- Medium to question government and ensure accountability
- Provides voice to the voiceless
- Inclusion of all citizens in governance
- Freedom of expression to people

2. Negative Impact

- Fake News regarding government policies can be spread
- Hate speech provokes people to cause riots
- Digital divide leading to many people feeling left out of democracy
- Used as medium by political parties to spread false propaganda

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- Good analysis
- Structure & flow of Ans is good
- Content quality & placement is good

Social media has functions as well as disfunctions and therefore awareness among people regarding its proper use is

mandatory

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Q. 5

While the constitution explicitly gives its citizens liberty to choose their religion, its the states, today, that are changing course and making it harder to make that choice. Critically discuss the issue of anti-conversion laws in India?

Anti-conversion laws, introduced by states, prohibit conversion from one

religion to another by force. The

constitution provides the right to freely choose one's religion.

The states make such laws because -

1. To prevent forceful conversions

2. To prevent fraudulent marriages eg. Love

3. Jihad.

→ Issues with Anti-Conversion laws -

Such laws strengthen the right wing groups and are misused by them

against women choosing inter-religious marriages.

2. The onus to prove that conversion was consensual lies on the person who converted the other.

Just give a little context about conversion being more of a cultural issue
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to escape caste, poverty, father's faith

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3. Family members of women choosing
inter-religious marriage may misuse the
law against their husbands seeking
revenge.

4. May lead to increase in honour
killing cases.

The laws should be reformed with
greater respect for the freedom of
religion of individuals. There is a
need for greater tolerance and
awareness among the society to
actually be able to utilize the
laws for their purpose.

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