

FUNDAMENTAL DUTIES

It shall be the duty of every citizen of India-

- 1) to abide by the Constitution and respect its ideals and institutions, the National Flag and the National Anthem;
- 2) to cherish and follow the noble ideals which inspired our national struggle for freedom;
- 3) to uphold and protect the sovereignty, unity and integrity of India;
- 4) to defend the country and render national service when called upon to do so;
- 5) to promote harmony and the spirit of common brotherhood amongst all the people of India transcending religious, linguistic and regional or sectional diversities; to renounce practices derogatory to the dignity of women;
- 6) to value and preserve the rich heritage of our composite culture;
- 7) to protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers and wild life, and to have compassion for living creatures;
- 8) to develop the scientific temper, humanism and the spirit of inquiry and reform;
- 9) to safeguard public property and to abjure violence;
- 10) to strive towards excellence in all spheres of individual and collective activity so that the nation constantly rises to higher levels of endeavor and achievement;
- 11) who is a parent or guardian to provide opportunities for education to his child or, as the case may be, ward between the age of six and fourteen years.