

**1. DISCUSS THE PREAMBLE OF CONSTITUTION AND DISCUSS ITS VARIOUS FEATURES AND SIGNIFICANCE.**

**Ans:** Preamble is the preface to the Constitution. It elucidates the aim and objectives of the written constitution. It mirrors the Constitution and its ideals. Although it is not physically present among the various parts of the Constitution, it is considered an integral part of it.

The Preamble to the Constitution of India is inspired by the USA Constitution. The Objective Resolution drafted by J Nehru adopted by the Constituent Assembly 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 1947 came to be recognized as the Preamble.

The important attributes of the Preamble are as follows.

**Ultimate Authority of the Country:** Preamble states that the people of India are the ultimate authority or source of authority in India. They rule themselves through representatives elected directly and indirectly by them.

**Nature of Indian State:** The Preamble states that India is a Sovereign Socialist Secular Democratic Republic. The form of government is based on democratic ideals and principles.

**Ideals of the Constitution:** The Preamble states that Justice Liberty Equality and Fraternity are the core philosophy of the Constitution.

**Date of Adoption of the Constitution:** The Preamble states that the Constitution was adopted on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 1949 by the Members of the Constituent Assembly on behalf of the people of India.

Preamble introduces the Constitution in a lucid manner. It is an identity card of the Constitution as rightly mentioned by Nani Palkhiwala.



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