

## **FUNDAMENTAL DUTIES**

These have been provided in Part IV A of the Constitution. According to these, 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 spirit of common brotherhood against all the people of India transcending religious linguistic and regional or sectional diversities, to renounce practices derogatory to the dignity of woman;
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 for excellence in all spheres of individual and collective activity so that the nation constantly rises to higher levels of endeavor and achievement.