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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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IMPORTANT AMENDMENTS IN INDIAN CONSTITUTION

- Article 368 in Part XX of the Constitution deals with the powers of Parliament to amend the Constitution and its procedure. It states that the Parliament may amend the Constitution by way of addition, variation or repeal any provision in accordance with the procedure laid down for the purpose.
- However, the Parliament cannot amend those provisions which form the 'basic structure' of the Constitution. This was ruled by the Supreme Court in the Kesavananda Bharati case (1973).

First Amendment Act, 1951-

A new Schedule (9th) was added to the constitution.
It related to land reform like abolition of Zamindary system etc.

Seventh Amendment Act, 1956-

14 States and 6 Union Territories were formed

Tenth Amendment Act, 1961-

 Dadra, Nagar, and Haveli incorporated in the Union of Indian as a Union Territory

14th Amendment Act, 1962-

Pondicherry incorporated into the Indian Union

21st Amendment Act, 1967-

 Sindhi language was language into 8th Schedule of Indian Constitution

36th Amendment Act, 1975-

Sikkim was made a full-fledged state of India

42nd Amendment Act, 1976-

- Words 'Socialist', 'Secular' and 'Integrity' added
- 10 Fundamental Duties added for the citizens.
- Made President bound to the advice of the cabinet

44th Amendment Act, 1978-

- Right to Property was removed from the list of fundamental rights (Article 31) and was made a legal right under Article 300A
- An emergency can be proclaimed only on the basis of written advice tendered to the President by the Cabinet

52nd Amendment Act, 1985-

 A new 10th Schedule was added providing for the antidefection laws.

61st Amendment Act, 1989-

The voting age was decreased from 21 to 18 years.

A Lok Sabha speaker addresses his/ her resignation to whom among the following?

[A] Deputy Speaker

[B] President

[C] Prime Minister

[D] Law Ministry

Economic and social planning comes under which of the following?

[A] Union List

[B] State List

[C] Concurrent List

[D] None of the above

The Directive Principles of State Policy has been adopted from the Constitution of which country?

[A] Canada

[B] South Africa

[C] Australia

[D] Ireland

Which of the following Constitutional Amendment Act was called as 'Mini Constitution'?

[A] 42nd

[B] 46th

[C] 69th

[D] 91st

THANK YOU