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Answer:

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- (c) D. V. Potdar
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Answer:

(b) Acharya Atre

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...... accepted the responsibility as first Chief Minister of Maharashtra.

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The role of newspapers was important in Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.

Answer:

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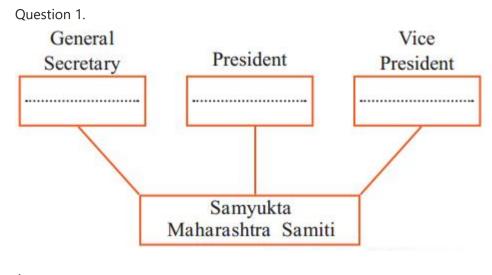
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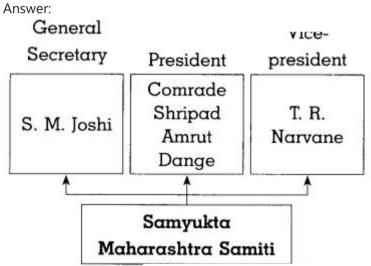
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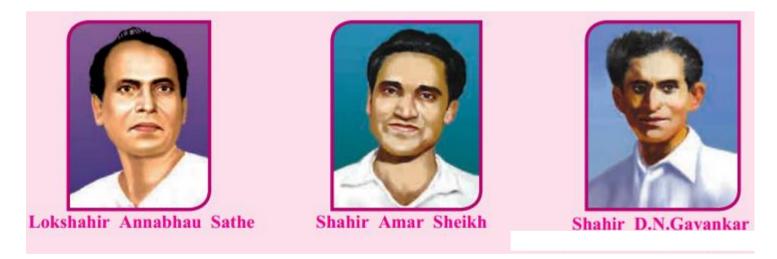
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# Do you Know?



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| Answer:  |
| (c) Senapati Bapat   |
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| Question 2.  |
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| established Dar Commission for forming linguistic province.  |
| (a) Morarji Desai  |
| (b) Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru  |
| (c) Dr. Rajendra Prasad  |
| (d) Yashwantrao Chavan   |
| Answer:  |
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| Question 3.  |
| According to 1953 Pact, Assembly session would be held once in a year at                           |
| (a) Pune   |
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| (c) Nagpur   |
| (d) Aurangabad   |
| Answer:  |
|  |
| (c) Nagpur   |
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| (c) S.M. Joshi   |
| (d) Senapati Bapat   |
| Answer:  |
| (d) Senapati Bapat   |
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| Question 5.  |
| Acharya Atre started the newspaper which played an important role in Samyukta Maharashtra Movement |
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| (b) Prabodhan  |
|  |
| (c) Maratha  |
| (d) Navakal  |
| Answer:  |
| (c) Maratha  |
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| Name the following:  |
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| Question 1.  |
| Demanded reconstruction of a state based on language in 1915.                                      |
| Answer:  |
| Lokmanya Tilak   |
|  |
| Question 2.  |
| Commission which advocated bilingual Mumbai.   |
| Answer:  |
| 'Commission for Reconstruction of States'  |
| Commission for Neconstruction of States  |
| Overtion 2   |
| Question 3.  |
| Samiti established at Tilak Smarak Mandir, Pune.   |
| Answer:  |
| Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti  |
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| Question 4.  |
| The Act passed by the Parliament in April 1960.  |
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Answer the following questions in one sentence:

Answer:

Mumbai Reorganisation Act.

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#### Question 1.

What was the appeal made by Shankarrao Dev in the meeting held on Kamgar Maidan?

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Shankarrao Dev appealed to the people in the following words, "We will oppose the separation of Mumbai from Maharashtra up to our last breath."

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What was the resolution proposed by S. M. Joshi on 7 November, 1955 at the meeting of labourers?

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#### Answer

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#### Question 5.

Who played an important role in establishing Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti?

#### Answer

Acharya P K. Atre, Madhu Dandavate, Prabodhankar Keshav Thackeray, Y. K. Souni played important role in establishing Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti.

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Name the lokshahirs who aroused awakening among people during Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.

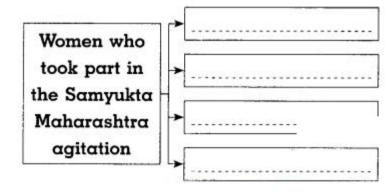
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Lokshahirs Annabhau Sathe, Shahir Amar Sheikh and Shahir D. N. Gavankar aroused public awakening among the people during Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.

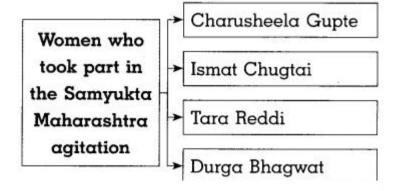
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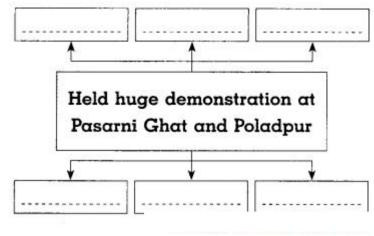


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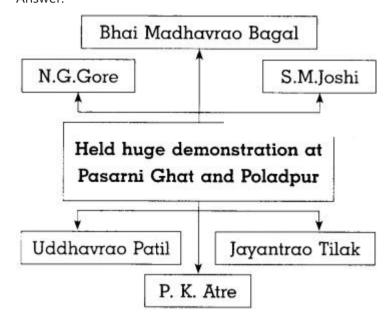


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### Question 2.



# Answer:



# Complete the table:

## Question 1.

| Foundation year      | Name of the<br>Commission/Samiti | Name of the President |
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| 2                    | Dar Commission                   | Justice S. R. Dar     |
| 3. 29 December, 1943 |                                  | Justice Fazal Ali     |
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# Write short notes:

Question 1.

Dar Commission:

Answer:

- 1. The President of Constituent Assembly, Dr. Rajendra Prasad established the Dar Commission on 17 June, 1947.
- 2. The Commission started the work under the leadership of Justice S. K. Dar to form states on linguistic basis.
- 3. On 10 December, 1948, the report of Dar Commission was published but the issue remained unsolved.

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#### Question 2.

Commission for Reconstruction of States:

#### Answer:

- 1. Indian Government appointed a 'Commission for Reconstruction of States' on 29 December, 1953.
- 2. It was formed under the Chairmanship of Justice Fazal Ali.
- 3. In the proposal presented by the commission on 10 October, 1955, a creation of bilingual Mumbai State was advocated.

Answer the following questions in brief:

#### Question 1.

What started the demand for an independent state of Marathi speaking people?

#### Answer:

- 1. The demand for an independent Marathi speaking state started before independence.
- 2. N. C. Kelkar presented the idea that the entire Marathi speaking population should be under one dominion.
- 3. In 1915, Lokmanya Tilak demanded the reconstruction of a state based on language.
- 4. An important resolution regarding Samyukta Maharashtra was passed in the Sahitya Sammelan at Belgaon. It began the movement to form Independent state of Marathi speaking people.

#### Question 2.

Write information on the workers meeting held on 7 November, 1955.

#### Answer:

- 1. The struggle of Marathi speaking people for formation of Maharashtra with Mumbai had started.
- 2. On 7 November, 1955 a meeting of labourers was held.
- 3. Labour Organisation or Communists, Praja Socialists, Socialists, Peasants and Workers Party, Janasangh, etc. participated in the meeting.
- 4. Comrade Shripad Amrut Dange was the President of this meeting.
- 5. S. M. Joshi proposed a resolution to create a Samyukta Maharashtra with Mumbai and Vidarbha.

#### Question 3.

What were the provisions in the Nagpur Pact?

#### Answer:

The following provisions were made in the Nagpur Pact:

- 1. Samyukta Maharashtra should be formed including Western Maharashtra 8 and Vidarbha along with Marathwada.
- 2. Assurance was given regarding equitable financial provisions for development.
- 3. Ample finance will be provided for technical and vocational education.
- 4. Government services will be provided in accordance with the population in the region.
- 5. Once in a year an Assembly session will be held at Nagpur.

# Question 4.

What happened on the day a grand march was taken to Vidhan Sabha?

# Answer:

- 1. For the formation of Samyukta Maharashtra, a grand march was taken to the Vidhan Sabha led by Senapati Bapat.
- 2. The government declared a ban.
- 3. The police started lathi charge and used tear gas on the protestors who broke the ban.
- 4. On the same evening, Comrade Shripad Dange guided a mob of fifty thousand on Kamgar Maidan.
- 5. To give impetus to the Samyukta Maharashtra Movement, it was further decided to hold one day strike on 21 November, 1955.

# Question 5.

Which events took place in the final stages of establishment of Maharashtra state?

# Answer:

The following events took place in the final stages of establishment of Maharashtra state:

- 1. Due to agitation of Samyukta Maharashtra Movement, central government gave consent to the formation of two linguistic states.
- 2. The Congress President, Indira Gandhi also supported the Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.
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- 5. Pandit Nehru on the occasion of Labour Day made a formal announcement of the formation of Maharashtra State at a special ceremony at Raj Bhavan.
- 6. Yashwantrao Chavan accepted the responsibility of first Chief Minister of Maharashtra.

Explain the following statements with reasons:

# Question 1.

Severe response was seen 9, throughout Maharashtra against JVP Committee report.

# Answer:

- 1. The Congress appointed a three ministers committee on 29 December, 1948 to study the conditions of creating linguistic provinces.
- 2. The report suggested that Congress accepted the concept of linguistic state in principle but the time was not proper for it.
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Answer the following questions in detail:

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#### Question 1.

How did the Central Government favour Maharashtra's movement under the leadership of Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti? Answer:

- 1. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was going to unveil statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj mounted on a horse on Pratapgad on 30 November, 1957.
- 2. Under the leadership of Bhai Madhavrao Bagal, Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti held huge demonstrations.
- 3. Leaders like S. M. Joshi, N. G. Gore, Jayantrao Tilak, R K. Atre participated in the protest at Pasarni Ghat and Poladpur.
- 4. Pandit Nehru became aware of sentiments of the Marathi speaking people.
- 5. The Congress President Indira Gandhi supported the Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.
- 6. Finally, the Central government gave consent for formation of two states-Gujarat and Maharashtra from former Mumbai (Bombay) state

Question 2.

Observe the given picture and identify. Write about his contribution in Samyukta Maharashtra.



P. K. Atre

### Answer:

- 1. This picture is of Acharya R K. Atre. He made important contribution to Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.
- 2. He played important role in formation of Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti.
- 3. He presented and supported the pro- united Maharashtra Movement through his newspaper 'Maratha'.
- 4. He was in the forefront of the demonstrations at Pasarni Ghat and Poladpur during the visit of Prime Minister Pandit Nehru at Pratapgad.

# Question 3.

What are the advantages and disadvantages of linguistic reorganisation of states?

Answer:

Advantages:

- 1. The feeling of unity is very strong among the people speaking common language.
- 2. It guarantees social security.
- 3. It facilitates communication between people.
- 4. It helps in achieving linguistic and cultural unity.

# Disadvantages:

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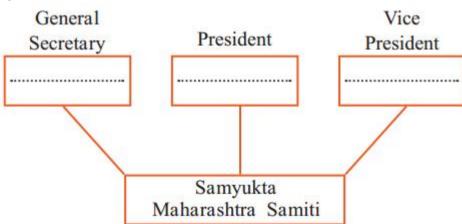
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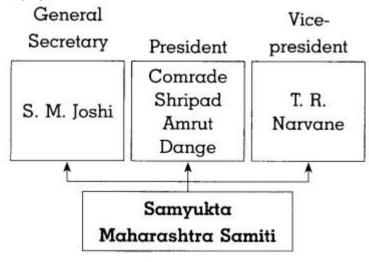
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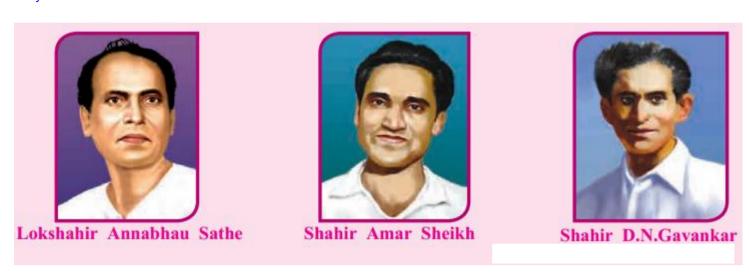


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Answer:

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Answer:

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Samiti established at Tilak Smarak Mandir, Pune.

Answer:

Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti

# Question 4.

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Answer:

Mumbai Reorganisation Act.

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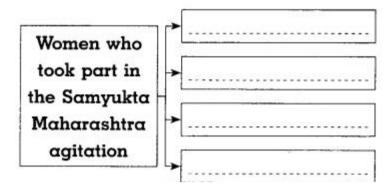
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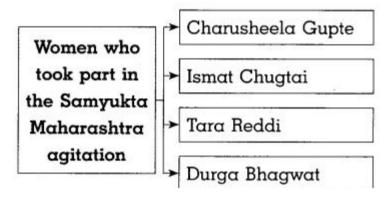
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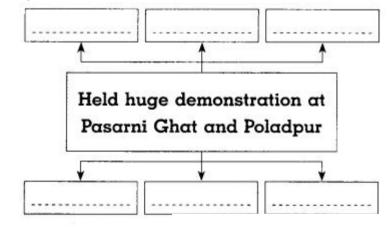
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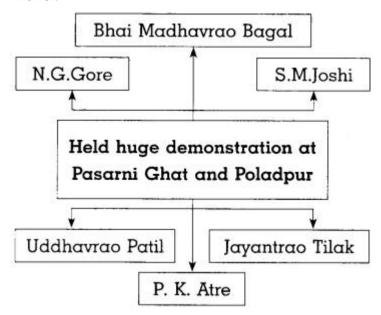


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| Foundation year         | Name of the Commission/Samiti           | Name of the President       |
|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 1. 28 July              | Maharashtra Ekikaran Parishad           | Shankarrao Dev              |
| 2. 17 June, 1947        | Dar Commission                          | Justice S. R. Dar           |
| 3. 29 December,<br>1943 | Commission for Reconstruction of States | Justice Fazal Ali           |
| 4. 6 February,<br>1956  | Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti             | Comrade Shripad Amrut Dange |

# Write short notes:

# Question 1.

Dar Commission:

Answer:

- 1. The President of Constituent Assembly, Dr. Rajendra Prasad established the Dar Commission on 17 June, 1947.
- 2. The Commission started the work under the leadership of Justice S. K. Dar to form states on linguistic basis.
- 3. On 10 December, 1948, the report of Dar Commission was published but the issue remained unsolved.

# Question 2.

Commission for Reconstruction of States:

Answer:

- 1. Indian Government appointed a 'Commission for Reconstruction of States' on 29 December, 1953.
- 2. It was formed under the Chairmanship of Justice Fazal Ali.
- 3. In the proposal presented by the commission on 10 October, 1955, a creation of bilingual Mumbai State was advocated.

Answer the following questions in brief:

# Question 1.

What started the demand for an independent state of Marathi speaking people? Answer:

- 1. The demand for an independent Marathi speaking state started before independence.
- 2. N. C. Kelkar presented the idea that the entire Marathi speaking population should be under one dominion.

- Arjun
- Digvijay
  - 3. In 1915, Lokmanya Tilak demanded the reconstruction of a state based on language.
  - 4. An important resolution regarding Samyukta Maharashtra was passed in the Sahitya Sammelan at Belgaon. It began the movement to form Independent state of Marathi speaking people.

#### Question 2.

Write information on the workers meeting held on 7 November, 1955.

Answer:

- 1. The struggle of Marathi speaking people for formation of Maharashtra with Mumbai had started.
- 2. On 7 November, 1955 a meeting of labourers was held.
- 3. Labour Organisation or Communists, Praja Socialists, Socialists, Peasants and Workers Party, Janasangh, etc. participated in the meeting.
- 4. Comrade Shripad Amrut Dange was the President of this meeting.
- 5. S. M. Joshi proposed a resolution to create a Samyukta Maharashtra with Mumbai and Vidarbha.

#### Question 3.

What were the provisions in the Nagpur Pact?

Answer:

The following provisions were made in the Nagpur Pact:

- 1. Samyukta Maharashtra should be formed including Western Maharashtra 8 and Vidarbha along with Marathwada.
- 2. Assurance was given regarding equitable financial provisions for development.
- 3. Ample finance will be provided for technical and vocational education.
- 4. Government services will be provided in accordance with the population in the region.
- 5. Once in a year an Assembly session will be held at Nagpur.

#### Question 4.

What happened on the day a grand march was taken to Vidhan Sabha?

Answer:

- 1. For the formation of Samyukta Maharashtra, a grand march was taken to the Vidhan Sabha led by Senapati Bapat.
- 2. The government declared a ban.
- 3. The police started lathi charge and used tear gas on the protestors who broke the ban.
- 4. On the same evening, Comrade Shripad Dange guided a mob of fifty thousand on Kamgar Maidan.
- 5. To give impetus to the Samyukta Maharashtra Movement, it was further decided to hold one day strike on 21 November, 1955.

#### Question 5.

Which events took place in the final stages of establishment of Maharashtra state?

Answer:

The following events took place in the final stages of establishment of Maharashtra state:

- 1. Due to agitation of Samyukta Maharashtra Movement, central government gave consent to the formation of two linguistic states.
- 2. The Congress President, Indira Gandhi also supported the Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.
- 3. In April 1960, the Parliament passed the Mumbai Reorganisation Act.
- 4. According to this act, Maharashtra State was formed on 1st May, 1960.
- 5. Pandit Nehru on the occasion of Labour Day made a formal announcement of the formation of Maharashtra State at a special ceremony at Raj Bhavan.
- 6. Yashwantrao Chavan accepted the responsibility of first Chief Minister of Maharashtra.

Explain the following statements with reasons:

# Question 1.

Severe response was seen 9, throughout Maharashtra against JVP Committee report.

Answer:

- 1. The Congress appointed a three ministers committee on 29 December, 1948 to study the conditions of creating linguistic provinces.
- 2. The report suggested that Congress accepted the concept of linguistic state in principle but the time was not proper for it.
- 3. Due to this, severe response of the people was seen throughout Maharashtra against JVP Committee report.

Answer the following questions in detail:

# Question 1.

How did the Central Government favour Maharashtra's movement under the leadership of Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti? Answer:

- 1. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was going to unveil statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj mounted on a horse on Pratapgad on 30 November, 1957.
- 2. Under the leadership of Bhai Madhavrao Bagal, Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti held huge demonstrations.
- 3. Leaders like S. M. Joshi, N. G. Gore, Jayantrao Tilak, R K. Atre participated in the protest at Pasarni Ghat and Poladpur.
- 4. Pandit Nehru became aware of sentiments of the Marathi speaking people.
- 5. The Congress President Indira Gandhi supported the Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.
- 6. Finally, the Central government gave consent for formation of two states-Gujarat and Maharashtra from former Mumbai (Bombay) state

# Question 2.

Observe the given picture and identify. Write about his contribution in Samyukta Maharashtra.

- Arjun
- Digvijay



P. K. Atre

## Answer:

- 1. This picture is of Acharya R K. Atre. He made important contribution to Samyukta Maharashtra Movement.
- 2. He played important role in formation of Samyukta Maharashtra Samiti.
- 3. He presented and supported the pro- united Maharashtra Movement through his newspaper 'Maratha'.
- 4. He was in the forefront of the demonstrations at Pasarni Ghat and Poladpur during the visit of Prime Minister Pandit Nehru at Pratapgad.

## Question 3.

What are the advantages and disadvantages of linguistic reorganisation of states?

Answer:

# Advantages:

- 1. The feeling of unity is very strong among the people speaking common language.
- 2. It guarantees social security.
- 3. It facilitates communication between people.
- 4. It helps in achieving linguistic and cultural unity.

### Disadvantages:

- 1. Linguistic reorganisation may narrow perspective of the people.
- 2. Excessive pride in one's language creates hatred towards other language.
- 3. Learning other languages and enjoying the literature never takes places.
- 4. It creates hurdles in social and cultural development.