

## FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS (Articles 12–35)

These are the basic rights guaranteed by the Constitution to ensure equality, freedom, and justice for all individuals.

### Article-Wise Breakdown

- **Article 12:** (Definition) Defines "State" to include the government, Parliament, and state legislatures, as well as local authorities and public institutions.
  - **Article 13:** Laws inconsistent with or derogatory to Fundamental Rights are void.
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### Right to Equality (Articles 14–18)

- **Article 14:** Equality before law and equal protection of laws.
  - **Article 15:** Prohibition of discrimination on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex, or place of birth. (*For citizens only*)
  - **Article 16:** Equality of opportunity in matters of public employment. (*For citizens only*)
  - **Article 17:** Abolition of untouchability and prohibition of its practice.
  - **Article 18:** Abolition of titles, except military or academic distinctions.
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### Right to Freedom (Articles 19–22)

- **Article 19:** Six freedoms guaranteed only to citizens:
    1. Freedom of speech and expression.
    2. Freedom to assemble peacefully.
    3. Freedom to form associations.
    4. Freedom to move freely throughout India.
    5. Freedom to reside in any part of India.
    6. Freedom to practice any profession.
  - **Article 20:** Protection in respect of conviction for offenses (no ex post facto laws, double jeopardy, or self-incrimination). (*For all*)
  - **Article 21:** Right to life and personal liberty. (*For all*)
  - **Article 22:** Protection against arrest and detention in certain cases. (*For all*)
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## Right Against Exploitation (Articles 23–24)

- **Article 23:** Prohibition of human trafficking and forced labor. (*For all*)
  - **Article 24:** Prohibition of child labor in factories and hazardous occupations. (*For all*)
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## Right to Freedom of Religion (Articles 25–28)

- **Article 25:** Freedom of conscience and free profession, practice, and propagation of religion. (*For all*)
  - **Article 26:** Freedom to manage religious affairs. (*For all*)
  - **Article 27:** Freedom from taxes for promoting any religion. (*For all*)
  - **Article 28:** Freedom from attending religious instruction in state-funded institutions. (*For all*)
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## Cultural and Educational Rights (Articles 29–30)

- **Article 29:** Protection of the interests of minorities (language, script, culture). (*For citizens only*)
  - **Article 30:** Right of minorities to establish and administer educational institutions. (*For citizens only*)
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## Right to Constitutional Remedies (Article 32)

- **Article 32:** Right to approach the Supreme Court for enforcement of Fundamental Rights.

## Engaging Content Idea:

1. **Visual Timeline:** Show how each Fundamental Right developed over time.
  2. **Memory Trick:** For articles applicable only to citizens, use "**FARM-E**": Freedom (19), Association and Minority Rights (29-30), and Employment (15-16).
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