

Module 3

Important Constitutional Amendments.

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1. 7 th Constitutional Amendment Art, 1956	Reorganisation of States on linguistic basis and introduced Union Territories
2. 9 th " " 1960	(Bengal Union) amendment was to transfer few territories to Pakistan
3. 10 th " " 1961	Incorporation of Dadra, Nagar & Haveli as Union Territories
4. 12 th " " 1961	" " " Goa, Dama & Diu " " "
5. 42 nd " " 1976	(i) Socialist, Secular & Republic words were added to preamble. (ii) Fundamental Duties - Part IV A was added. (iii) Term of Lok Sabha & State legislative assembly was increased to 6 years. (iv) Declaration of National Emergency can be limited to a specific part / geographical area of the Country.

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6.	44 th Constitutional Amendment Act 1978	<p>(i) term of Lok Sabha & state legislative assembly was restored back to 5 yrs.</p> <p>(ii) Art 31 ie Right to property was omitted from FR category & placed under Ordinary legal right.</p> <p>(iii) One of the grounds for declaring National Emergency ie internal disturbance was replaced by armed rebellion.</p> <p>(iv) National Emergency can be declared by the President on the written communication by PM and other Cabinet ministers.</p> <p>(v) During emergency President can suspend all the FR except Article 20 & 21.</p>
7.	61 st	Lowered the Voting age of elections to Lok Sabha & legislative assemblies of states from 21 to 18 years.

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Constitutional Amendment Act 1993 13 th	A new part <u>IX</u> was added regarding organising & setting up Panchayats in rural areas.
9. 74 th " 1994	A new part <u>IX A</u> was added regarding Municipalities - Nagar Panchayats, Municipal Councils & Corporations.
10. 75 th " 1994	Art 332, Part <u>XIV - A</u> amended to give timely relief to rent litigants by setting up State level Rent Tribunals to reduce the terms of appeals.
11. 76 th " 1994	reservation of seats in educational institutions & appointments in public services for SCs, STs & OBCs.
12. 91 st " 2003	fixed the size of Council of Ministers including the PM to be 15% of Lok Sabha.
13. 94 th " 2004	provision for appointment of Minister in charge of tribal welfare in Chhattisgarh & Jharkhand.

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14.	95 th CAA 2009	extended the reservation for SC, ST, Anglo Indians in Lok Sabha & State legislative assemblies for another 10 yrs ie till 26 th Jan 2020.
15.	100 th CAA 2015	ratified the land boundary agreement between India & Bangladesh.
16.	101 st CAA 2016	1 st Schedule of the <u>Constitution</u> . Application of GST in India from 1 st July 2017
17.	118 th CAA 2012	inserted Article 371T - Special status to 6 backward districts in Hyderabad - Karnataka region.