

# **Protection of Rights of Children, Women, Minorities and Weaker Sections of the Society by the Constitution of India**

## General Provisions in the Constitution

- Article 14 emphasizes on “Equality Before Law”.
- Equal treatment to all citizens irrespective of caste, creed and gender.
- There are provisions to safeguard the interests of children, women, minorities as well as weaker sections of the society.

# Rights of Children

- Article 21-A protects the educational rights of children between the age group of 6 to 14 years.
- Right to Education is a fundamental right.
- Article 45 protects the rights of children, which is a part of Directive Principles of State Policy.

# Rights of Women

- Article 15 safeguards the rights of women against discrimination.
- Articles 16 also provides protection to the women.
- These articles provide for provisions to protect women against discrimination on the basis of gender.

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## Rights of Minorities and Weaker Sections

- The constitution of India emphasizes on protection of minorities and weaker sections of the society.
- Articles 29(1) and 29(2) provide safeguards on language, script and culture of different minority communities.
- These are part of fundamental rights provided in the constitution.

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# Thank You

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