

# Other Constitutional Dimensions – SSC Notes

## Emergency Provisions

- Articles: 352–360
- Purpose: Deal with threats to the nation, states, finance
- Types of Emergency:
  1. National Emergency (Art. 352)
    - Cause: War, external aggression, armed rebellion
    - Effect: Fundamental Rights (Art. 19) can be suspended
    - Proclamation by President
  2. State Emergency / President's Rule (Art. 356)
    - Cause: Failure of Constitutional machinery in State
    - Effect: State Govt → President Rule
    - Duration: Initially 6 months, can extend with Parliament approval
  3. Financial Emergency (Art. 360)
    - Cause: Threat to financial stability of India
    - Effect: Reduction of salaries of Govt officials, control of state finances

### ◆ Important SSC Points

- National Emergency → Fundamental Rights suspended
- State Emergency → President Rule in State
- Financial Emergency → Never used in India

## Official Language

- Articles: 343–351
- Official Language of Union: Hindi in Devanagari script
- English: Associate official language till 1965, continues for official purposes
- State Languages: Each state can choose its own official language
- Scheduled Languages: 22 languages listed in 8th Schedule

### ◆ Important SSC Points

- Union Official Language → Hindi
- 8th Schedule → 22 Languages
- English continues for official purposes