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How does the spirit of the Preamble confront the realities of caste, poverty, patriarchy and majoritarianism in contemporary India?

The Preamble which is the essence of Indian constitution represents the mind of makers of the constitution towards making India a welfare state. The spirit of Preamble is to fulfil the ideals of the objectives mentioned in our Preamble which are Justice, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity so that to confront the discrimination in case of caste, poverty, patriarchy and majoritarianism and bring everyone at a common platform.

Our Preamble states that

We, The people of India, having solemnly resolved to constitute India into a SOVEREIGN, SOCIALIST, SECULAR DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC and to secure all its citizens: JUSTICE, Social, Economical and Political; LIBERTY of thought, expression, belief faith and worship;

Equality of status and of opportunity; and to promote among them all;

FRATERNITY ensuring the dignity of the individual and unity and integrity of the Nation;

Our constituent assembly this 26th day of November, 1949, do hereby adopt, enact and give to ourselves this constitution."

Addressing Caste:

The ~~pro~~ spirit of Preamble aims to provide equality to all and ends the discrimination and challenges by providing policies like reservation ~~for the~~ and provisions for their upliftment and protection against exploitation.

~~Acts for addressing caste based discrimination~~
There are several acts and schemes by our government such as

- Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 ✓
- ~~SC and ST act~~ 1989 ✓

- CM's Civil Services Incentive scheme is Order for SC and ST students ✓

Prevention of
Apartheid
against SCs
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- National ST-SC hub scheme supporting the Entrepreneurs, etc

These act and schemes have done social upliftment which can be seen in the society.

Addressing Poverty:

The spirit of Preamble to end poverty can be seen in many government schemes like

- Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana for the poor ones
- Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act MGNREGA

It provides wage employment to rural households for 100 days.

Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana

Scheme to provide affordable housing to families

- JEEVKA

It provides socio-economic (employment) empowerment to rural women by grouping them in form of self help groups and developing their skills and providing monetary support

Along with constitutional provisions

Addressing Patriarchy :

The spirit of Preamble to address patriarchy and uplift the women by empowering and safeguards them reflects in various government schemes such as

1. One stop Centre

It is monitored by the C.D.P.O i.e Child Development Project Officer. Women facing violence are provided with all type of aid.

2. Vijawala Scheme

It was launched for prevention of trafficking for commercial sexual exploitation.

3. Beti Bachao - Beti Padhao

This scheme was launched to address gender biased sex selective elimination and to ensure education, protection and participation of girl child.

4. As discussed JEEVKA scheme has played important role in women empowerment in Bihar

Addressing Majoritarianism:

The spirit of Preamble to promote Fraternity and Secular principles are key step to address Majoritarianism.

The Government provides proportional representation so that no community is left behind or feels deprived due to its population.

The Government of India has made laws protecting religious freedom and safeguarding the minorities rights.

Limitations or Challenges

Lack of awareness, education and corruption are hindrance which are still pose as a threat to the spirit of Preamble which needs special attention.

The Preamble has strongly confronted the challenge of caste, poverty patriarchy and majoritarianism through its ideals and objectives. Implementation of its objectives and proves that contemporary India is a welfare state when compared with ancient India.