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Dr. Singh's scholarship is guided by the belief that education must not remain limited to academic achievement alone. It must also cultivate character, constitutional awareness, ethical reasoning, social responsibility, scientific temper, environmental sensitivity, respect for diversity, and commitment to national development. His writing often connects contemporary educational needs with Indian philosophical ideas such as *dharma*, *kartavya*, *seva*, social harmony, and collective well-being.

In this book, Dr. Singh examines Fundamental Duties not merely as constitutional statements but as educational, moral, civic, and institutional principles that can shape the character of learners, teachers, families, communities, and the nation. The book reflects his larger academic commitment to building a more responsible, inclusive, value-oriented, and constitutionally aware education system in India.

PREFACE

India's democracy is built not only on the promise of rights but also on the discipline of duties. The Constitution of India protects the freedom, dignity, equality, and participation of every citizen. At the same time, it reminds citizens that the life of a nation depends upon the quality of their conduct, their sense of responsibility, their respect for others, and their willingness to contribute to the common good. This book, *Fundamental Duties, Education and National Civic Character*, has been written with this central idea: a strong democracy requires citizens who understand both freedom and responsibility.

In public discourse, rights often receive greater attention than duties. Citizens are rightly conscious of their freedoms, protections, and entitlements. However, democratic life becomes incomplete when rights are detached from responsibility. The right to expression must be accompanied by respect for harmony and truth. The right to education must be accompanied by the duty to learn, think, and contribute. The right to participate in public life must be accompanied by the duty to protect public property, reject violence, respect institutions, and act with civic maturity. The health of a democracy depends on this balance.

The Fundamental Duties listed in Article 51A of the Constitution represent this moral and civic dimension of citizenship. They remind citizens to respect the Constitution, national symbols, freedom-struggle ideals, national unity, women's dignity, composite culture, natural environment, scientific temper, public property, excellence, and the education of children. These duties are not merely formal statements. They offer a framework for building civic character. They show that citizenship is not passive membership in a nation but active participation in the ethical and democratic life of society.

The purpose of this book is to examine Fundamental Duties through the lens of education. Schools, colleges, teacher-education institutions, families, communities, NGOs, youth organisations, and public institutions all play a role in shaping civic behaviour. A child does not become a responsible citizen only by reading a chapter on the Constitution. Civic character develops through repeated experiences of respect, discipline, dialogue, cooperation, service, fairness, environmental care, and ethical decision-making. Therefore, the teaching of Fundamental Duties must move beyond textbook memorisation. It must become part of school culture, classroom practice, teacher behaviour, student leadership, community participation, and institutional accountability.

The book begins with the idea of responsible citizenship and the relationship between rights and duties. It explains that citizenship is not only a legal identity but also a moral relationship with society and the nation. The discussion then moves to Indian educational thought, where ideas such as *dharma*, *kartavya*, *seva*, harmony, self-discipline, compassion, and collective welfare provide a deep philosophical foundation for civic responsibility. These Indian concepts are not outdated; they remain relevant for contemporary challenges such as social conflict, environmental crisis, misinformation, digital behaviour, civic apathy, and declining respect for public institutions.

A major concern of this book is curriculum. The mainstreaming of Fundamental Duties in school curriculum is not a matter of adding one more lesson or one more examination topic. It requires a rethinking of curriculum design itself. History can teach freedom-struggle ideals and constitutional values. Science can cultivate scientific temper and environmental responsibility. Language can develop empathy, cultural understanding, and expression with responsibility. Social studies can strengthen democratic participation and respect for diversity. Art, physical education, digital education, and community-service programmes can also contribute meaningfully to civic formation.

The role of the teacher is central. Teachers are not merely transmitters of information. They are builders of civic character. A teacher who respects students, encourages questioning, promotes gender dignity, protects public resources, values diversity, and demonstrates fairness teaches Fundamental Duties through personal example. Teacher education must therefore prepare teachers to integrate civic values across subjects, classroom management, school activities, assessment practices, and community outreach. Duty-based education requires reflective teachers who themselves understand the deeper meaning of citizenship.

The book also gives attention to student behaviour. Civic education becomes meaningful only when it influences how students think, speak, act, cooperate, disagree, care for public property, use digital media, respond to diversity, and participate in community life. Schools must help students develop civic habits through student councils, peer mediation, environmental clubs, service learning, cultural programmes, debates, reflective writing, and participatory projects. These practices make duties visible and experiential.

Family and community life form another important dimension. The responsibility of citizenship does not begin and end at school. Parents, guardians, local bodies, community leaders, civil-society organisations, and neighbourhood institutions all shape the moral imagination of young people. The home teaches respect, responsibility, discipline, compassion, and social behaviour. Communities provide real contexts where children learn service, cooperation, diversity, and shared responsibility. Therefore, civic education must build strong bridges between school, family, and community.

The institutionalisation of civic responsibility is equally important. If Fundamental Duties remain limited to speeches, posters, or ceremonial occasions, their impact will be weak. Schools and institutions need policies, calendars, activities, rubrics, audits, student participation systems, teacher-training modules, partnerships, and review mechanisms. Civic responsibility should become part of institutional culture. It must be planned, practised, monitored, and improved.

The final concern of the book is national civic character. A nation is not built only by infrastructure, technology, economy, or policy. It is also built by the character of its citizens. When citizens respect the Constitution, protect nature, promote harmony, value women's dignity, develop scientific temper, preserve heritage, safeguard public property, and strive for excellence, they create the moral foundation of national development. Civic character is therefore a national resource. It must be cultivated consciously through education and social institutions.

This book is written for teachers, teacher educators, B.Ed. and M.Ed. students, school leaders, curriculum planners, education policymakers, NGOs, youth organisations, parents, civil-society workers, and all readers interested in constitutional values and responsible citizenship. It may also serve as a useful resource for courses on education, civic education, value education, Indian Knowledge System, constitutional literacy, teacher education, school leadership, and educational policy.

The central argument of this book is simple but urgent: India's future depends not only on what citizens know, but also on what citizens do. Knowledge without responsibility can become self-centred. Freedom without discipline can become disorder. Rights without duties can weaken social trust. Education must therefore cultivate informed, ethical, compassionate, responsible, and constitutionally aware citizens.

If this book encourages even a small movement towards duty-conscious education, civic reflection, responsible teaching, student participation, and community-based citizenship, it will have served its purpose.

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I acknowledge the Constitution of India as the foundational source of democratic values, civic responsibility, justice, liberty, equality, fraternity, and national unity. The Fundamental Duties contained in Article 51A provide the moral and civic foundation for this book. They remind every citizen that the nation is strengthened not only by laws and institutions but also by responsible conduct, ethical discipline, and commitment to collective well-being.

I am grateful to the generations of teachers who have carried constitutional values into classrooms, often through quiet and sincere work. Teachers play a vital role in shaping not only knowledge but also character. Their daily examples of fairness, patience, discipline, empathy, and commitment to students are among the most powerful forms of civic education.

I also acknowledge students, young citizens, parents, and community members who bring life to the idea of citizenship through participation, cooperation, dialogue, service, and social responsibility. The future of civic character lies in the hands of young people, and education must provide them with meaningful opportunities to understand, practise, and internalise their duties.

I express appreciation for the contributions of educational institutions, school leaders, teacher educators, civil-society organisations, NGOs, youth groups, and community-based initiatives working in the areas of value education, constitutional literacy, environmental awareness, social harmony, inclusive education, gender dignity, public responsibility, and civic participation.

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Finally, I dedicate this work to all educators and learners who believe that education is not merely preparation for employment, but preparation for life, citizenship, service, and nation-building.

ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviation	Full Form
AI	Artificial Intelligence
CABE	Central Advisory Board of Education
CBSE	Central Board of Secondary Education
CCE	Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation
CSR	Corporate Social Responsibility
DIET	District Institute of Education and Training
FD	Fundamental Duty
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IKS	Indian Knowledge System
MoE	Ministry of Education
NCF	National Curriculum Framework
NCFSE	National Curriculum Framework for School Education
NEP	National Education Policy
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation
NPE	National Policy on Education
NSS	National Service Scheme
NYKS	Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan
RTE	Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education
SCERT	State Council of Educational Research and Training
SDG	Sustainable Development Goal
SEL	Social and Emotional Learning
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund

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The book examines the relationship between rights and duties, the Indian ideas of dharma, kartavya and seva, the role of teachers as builders of civic character, and the importance of curriculum, student behaviour, family life, community participation, digital citizenship and institutional accountability.

It argues that education must not only prepare learners for examinations and employment, but also for constitutional awareness, social harmony, environmental responsibility, scientific temper, respect for public property, gender dignity and national development.

Written in an accessible yet policy-oriented style, this book is useful for teachers, teacher educators, B.Ed. and M.Ed. students, school leaders, curriculum planners, civic-education workers, NGOs, parents and policymakers. It offers practical frameworks, school-level activities, audit tools, assessment rubrics and implementation models for mainstreaming Fundamental Duties in educational institutions.

This book invites readers to view citizenship not as a passive identity, but as an active commitment to building a just, responsible, inclusive and constitutionally aware India.



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