

Class 11 Political Science Notes Chapter 4 Social Justice

- Justice was associated with dharma in ancient society to be a primary duty of a king.
- The Greek philosopher Plato interprets justice in his book 'The Republic' as a life of people conforming to the rules of functional specialization.
- Justice has been defined in a various ways, i.e. at sometimes it believed "As you sow, so shall you reap", and sometimes considered the result of actions in previous birth or the will of God.
- According to Prof. Selmond justice is a means to distribute the due share to every body while Marxist considers from each according to his ability to each according to his needs".
- John Rawls describes justice as thinking under a 'veil of ignorance' where position and status in society, everybody would decide as per one's own interests.
- The fundamental elements of justice are equality before law, respect for the necessities of nature, truth and freedom, etc.
- Justice exercises four dimensions, i.e. political, legal, social and economic.
- Social justice refers to equal treatment to each and everybody in the society without any discrimination on the basis of caste, creed, color, race, religion, etc.
- Justice and liberty and justice and equality are closely related to each other.