**Class 8 (Social Science) Assignments**

**Chapter-6 Understanding Secularism**

Question 1.  
Where do Christians go for prayer?  
(a) Temple  
(b) Church  
(c) Mosque  
(d) Gurudwara

Question 2.  
What happened in Hitler’s Germany?  
(a) Several million people were killed  
(b) Bomb blast took place in Nagasaki  
(c) Assassination of Mrs. Indira Gandhi  
(d) All of these

Question 3.  
What does ‘to force someone to do something’ mean?  
(a) Coercion  
(b) Intervene  
(c) Interpret  
(d) None of these

Question 4.  
Indian Constitution contains  
(a) fundamental rights  
(b) discrimination  
(c) unequality  
(d) all of these

Question 5.  
What could the tyranny of majority result in?  
(a) Discrimination  
(b) Coercion  
(c) None of the above  
(d) Both (a) and (b)

Question 6.  
What can we not do in government schools?  
(a) Sing national anthem  
(b) Sing Rashtriya Geet  
(c) Celebrate any religious festival  
(d) None of these

Question 7.  
What refers to the State’s effort to influence a particular matter in accordance with the principles of the constitution?  
(a) Intervene  
(b) Coercion  
(c) Meditation  
(d) None of these

Question 8.  
Which is the sect of Jainism?  
(a) Arya Samaj  
(b) Khalsa  
(c) Digamber  
(d) Sanatan Dharm

Question 9.  
What is celebrated on 2nd October of every year?  
(a) Christmas Day  
(b) Children’s Day  
(c) Gandhi Jayanti  
(d) Diwali

**10.**What is Secularism? Explain about Indian Secularism and its difference from other democratic countries.

**11.** Why is it Important to Separate Religion from the State?

**12**. Can you think of a recent incident, from any part of India, in which the secular ideals of the Constitution were violated and persons were persecuted and killed because of their religious backgrounds?

**13**. In India, can the State discriminate against citizens on the grounds of their religion?

**14**. What is Religion? What are the major religions practised all over the world?

**15**. What is the 4th point of the Fundamental Rights of the Indian Constitution? ‘

**16**. Describe the main objectives of the Secular State. Mention three.

**17.**List the different types of religious practice that you find in your neighbourhood. This could be different forms of prayer, worship of different gods, sacred sites, different kinds of religious music and singing etc. Does this indicate freedom of religious practice?

**18**. Give some historical examples of discrimination.

**19**. Will the government intervene if some religious group says that their religion allows them to practise infanticide? Give reasons for your answer.