

Salient Features of the Constitution - II

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Key Concept

The Constitution establishes a federal structure, dividing powers between the central government and states, though leaning towards a strong centre.

An independent judiciary, headed by the Supreme Court, interprets the Constitution and ensures laws align with constitutional principles.

The Constitution can be amended through a formal process, allowing it to adapt to changing needs while maintaining core democratic principles.

These features, combined with earlier ones, make the Indian Constitution a flexible yet stable framework for governing a diverse nation.

Quick Revision Notes

- The Constitution establishes a federal structure.
- Power is divided between centre and states.
- India leans towards a strong centre.
- An independent judiciary interprets the Constitution.
- The Supreme Court heads the judiciary.
- The Constitution can be amended formally.
- This allows adaptation while keeping core principles.
- These features create a flexible, stable framework.

Practice Questions

- 1 Discuss India's federal structure.
- 2 Research the Supreme Court's role.
- 3 Explain how the Constitution can be amended.
- 4 Discuss why judicial independence matters.
- 5 Research an amendment made to the Constitution.
- 6 Discuss why flexibility and stability both matter for a constitution.