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SECTION - A

1. Asymmetric Federalism – Imposing Uniformity or Harvesting Unity in Diversity?
2. Philosophy of protectionism is the philosophy of war.
3. The separation of religion and state is a necessary but not a sufficient ingredient of a secular state.
4. Social Media in a post-truth world.

Asymmetric Federalism – Imposing uniformity or Harvesting unity in diversity

Indian Constitution is a transformative document which aims to convert a traditional hierarchical society India into a modern egalitarian society. It is a ~~cosmo~~ cosmopolitan society like document which aims to make India all inclusive, prosperous and vibrant democracy. The founding fathers in the very first Article 1

establishes India as an indestructible union of destructible states. It dreams India as a vibrant federation.

In this essay, we will first understand meaning of federation and why our forefather selected federal model for India.

In addition to this, we will understand meaning of Asymmetric federalism and how it is different from symmetric federal model. Then we will analyse it as an imposing uniformity or harvesting unity in diversity. Finally, we will deliberate what should be the future of federation and address the challenges associated with it.

Meaning of Federation

Federation is a political model which is based on the harmonious relationship of Centre and State. It treats State and Centre as two important unit and focus on the collaborative and competitive efforts of administration.

Ideal Federation is not based on hierarchical set up, but based on Mutual respect and collaboration.

India tasted the flavour of federal model of administration through Government of India Act-1935. GoI Act 1935, first time tried to impose federal model. However it did not come into

reality, but it sowed the seed of federal model. India, which is made Heterogenous society, having social, linguistic, caste and religion based diversity, ideal suited for Federal model. After the tryst of destiny, it was imperative that if India wants to be a great Nation, it must take every body with itself. Development should be quick and inclusive.

Meaning of Asymmetrical Federalism

Asymmetrical federalism is based on the idea that every encompassing unit should not be treated equally in their representation. It is opposite of USA's

Symmetrical federalism, which gives equal representation to each state.

India, which encompasses so many diverse and big states, could not go for such model, as it is against the proportional representation.

A small state like "Sikkim" can not have equal representation like "Uttar Pradesh".

However, inequality only exists in numerical strength and not in qualitative representation. It is

the reason why we adopted asymmetrical model of federalism and worked for the inclusive development.

Federalism : A Tool for imposing uniformity ??

Indian model of federalism is some time criticized for giving widespread power to centre. It is different from USA model of handholding federalism where states have come together to work together in Federation. India, on the contrary, is a top down federation, where centre has created the Federation. India has adopted this model because it is only way to keep diverse society like India into harmony.

Political analyst like K.C. Wheare criticized India model

as an unitary model, where centre can also impose its diktat on states and state have not option other than to expect this. However, thinker like Granville Austin supported India's model of federation and said that it was necessary keeping in mind the diversity and political condition post Independence.

India's federation is based on unique model, where federal ~~the~~ setup flexibly convert into unitary on per the need. There are numerous situation such as

Article 356 (Presidential Emergency), when centre take care the legislation and administration of state through Governor.

In addition to this, Institution like Governor, All India services, Integrated Judiciary, Comptroller and Auditor General, etc. puts the question mark on efficiency & centre-state collaboration. Though they play a very crucial role in State Administration but state have very little say in their establishment and functioning.

A Economic policies such as monetary policies, fiscal policies, term of reference of Finance Commission show how the divide between centre and state. They have bearing on State revenue generation & taxation & financial devolution, but states play no role in their functioning. It makes the state role as a mere spectator.

Similarly, debate of Simultaneous election, change in RTI act, National Security Act recent amendment with respect to A-370 show some the growing disparity between Centre and States.

Federalism : HARVESTING UNITY.

However, Federalism is not only sovereign, but provide genuine opportunity for collaboration and effective governance. Centre and States derive their power from Indian Constitution and States are not subordinate to Centre. Institutions like Inter-State Council, Zonal Council, Regional development Council at Niti Aayog, Independent Judiciary etc. provide an unique opportunity to Centre - State

shared working. They help them to understand Regional and National ~~state~~ challenge such as - Governance, poverty, water disputes, Political empowerment, tackling environmental and Security challenge in more efficient way.

State and centre should understand the point of convergence and try to bring parity in their approach. State has autonomy in their sphere and only centre interfere in exceptional situations. India is build on the idea of accommodation and not assimilation.

Federation is based on frinkled respect, autonomy and shared rule.

Centre should motivate state in identifying their comparative advantage.

and act in concert to bore the fruit of vibrant democracy.

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Challenges and way-ahead

Federal setup in India is facing challenges from multiple front. It is facing Border issue, glaring flood, Heatwaves, drought etc, facing challenge through Naxalism and left wing extremism. All these challenges are very big in nature and required collaborative effort to address.

Various Commission such as Rajamannar committee, Sarkaria Commission, Ruchi commission etc suggested India model of federation has enough flexibility to work through any challenge. However,

Both Centre and State must work in Collaboration. In today's one party dominant political spheres there is a sign of centralizing trends, in form of one vote - one Nation, one country - one exam (NEET), one country - one land etc.

However, we must understand India is based on idea of unity not on uniformity. Federalism is not a static concept, but dynamic ethos - it should be based on Gandhi Ji's idea of Oceanic Circle, where power distribution is not strictly hierarchical, but centrally circular. S.R. Bommai case defined Federalism as the Basic Structure and it must look for unity rather than uniformity and aspire for "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas".

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SECTION - B

1. Our predecessors endeavored to make men into machines; we are endeavoring to make machines into men
2. Even while they teach, men learn.
3. Integrity is telling myself the truth. And honesty is telling the truth to other people.
4. Ideologies separate us. Dreams and anguish bring us together.

Our Predecessors endeavored to make men into machines; we are endeavouring to make machines into men

Aakash, an IT employee, is working ~~like~~ ^{as} a robot. He is daily working for 15 hours and waiting for Sundays, to go to a peaceful walk around a lake.

Amit, a 8 yr. ~~was~~ old boy, find happiness in asking silly question by his iPhone ~~to~~ Voice-Assistant "Siri". His ~~both~~ parents are working and they don't find enough time to spend with Amit.

In the above example, we can see how Aakash, is so much engrossed in his work that he does not find time even for his small happiness. Amit, who wants to spend some time with his family, on the contrary finding happiness with an artificial programme.

It shows that Aakash is behaving like a machine and Amit wants a machine to behave like a human.

In this essay, first we will try to understand the meaning of men and machine. Then, we will analyze, the reasons of and impact of men turning into a machine. and we will also explore, how machine can we are turning into machine. In the end, we will analyse, what should be the ideal approach.

HUMAN and Machine : Meaning

Human is an organic entity who has rationality and capability to express their ideas, feeling and thinking. Every human is different and known by their individuality.

on the contrary, Machines are physical entity, which is more keen on doing similar type of work. It can have intelligence but lack rationality, sentimentality. They lack feeling, independent thinking and more focus on doing repetitive tasks and productivity. However, in 21st century, the dichotomy between Men and Machine is blurring. Sometime Men are behaving like a

machines and on the other sides, machine are showing Emotion and Intelligence.

Endeavour to make Men as Machine

Paleolithic Era men were living in some care and enjoying life in peace with their family and communities. They were hunter and gatherer and their desires were limited. But soon, they discovered fire, agriculture, wheel etc and started living a settled life. They started belicury and acaulny private prosperities and then began the race of desires, private property, consumerism.

Industrial revolution, played

a crucial role in mechanization of human productivity. Machines like Steam engine, Pompan, textile Machines etc started the race of money minting. Human who were enjoying life in peace, got attracted towards mindless consumerism.

Industrial revolution, increased the productivity to multi-fold, but the same human became slave of their desire. Some became the capitalist and others become the workers. They started believing in their consumerism and started neglecting happiness, Joy, independent thinking, rationalism, humanism etc. They became the slave of routine life and hence started

the race of accumulation of wealth
It killed the creative human
and made us a ~~race~~ disciplined
workforce devoid of any happiness,
any joy etc.

It made us so disciplined
that we lost our moral creativity.
we lost our inner conscience

and rationality. In a famous
trial of 'Eichman in Jerusalem'

when the Judge asked Eichman
that why did he kill so many
innocent Jews, he said - "ee

I was doing my duty and
I prefer not to question
the decision of my master".

It shows that Endeavour of consumerism
has made us so emotional
that we killed our rationality.

We converted men into an one-dimensional men and he was only working for one desire. He lost human feeling and devoid of any Emotion. ~~It~~ We human turned into a machine, when we dropped Nuclear Bomb on Nagasaki and Hiroshima, we killed humanity the very same day.

We are still inhuman, when in the search of being great social, political and economical power, we are hitting environment day-by-day without any remorse.

Endeavour to make Machine as human

In 21st century, we are venturing into era of making Smart Machine who can think, act and feel like human. We

are ushering in to Era of Industrial
~~era~~, where we want to make
 machine Artificially Intelligent and
understand the sentiment of others,

In this Journey, we are
 creating humanoid Robot like
Sophia and Rashmi, wants to
 develop humanistic feeling. In
 the Pursuit of this, we might
 be missing real human,

We have developed the
 technology of virtual and augmented
reality, where we want to depict
 human through hologram technique.

It is our effort to make it
 more humanistic. However, in this
 course we have forgotten what
 actual human means and behave.
 we wait for Sundays and holidays
 to talk to our parents and lord

ones. We have developed technologies to gene-editing like CRISPR, through which scientists want to make Designer Baby. We want to tweak specific features of our baby. In this pursuit, we want to end the innocence and first touch of baby.

Technologies like Artificial Intelligence are used to create Paintings, understand emotions, decision making pattern. In this course, we tend to ignore the actual creativity of Painters such as Picasso, M.F Hussain etc.

Men or Machine or Both: Way ahead

First of all, we need to understand that Man, by nature is not one-dimensional. Humans

are multi-dimensional animal. Human mind is a tabula Rasa. He is most successful creature not

because of fast, smart ~~and~~. He is successful because he is rational, can understand difference between pain and pleasure, can act in concent and make collective identities. These are

the features which make Human / humans. We obviously

we undoubtedly need machine to make our life better, easy and effective. We need Benevolent

Innovation like - alternative

Renewable energy technologies,

Hydroponic based Agriculture, electric-

vehicle, Rapid transportation, AI,

Machine learning, Tele-medicine etc.

to make our life easy convenient
 But we must understand that
mindless race to consumerism
 will make us animal. The
 goal of life should be free life
 and freedom should be from need,
desire, and Then only human
 can look for things that
really ^{make} them happy. otherwise,
 in the race of life, we
 will spend all our time
 in things that do not matter
 in long run.

Our endeavour should not
 be making men as machine or
Machine as men, But create
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mindless race of consumerism,
 we will be doing crime against
humanity. Aakash, must
 understand, that job should not be
 such that you need to keep
 your own life on hold to
find place. Amit's parents
 must realise that no matter
 how accurate and true answers
Sibi can give, but if can
 address the child inquisitiveness and
~~his~~ mother his parents can do.
 So, mindless pursuit of desire
 should not be the end goal
 and we must try to be a
good human.

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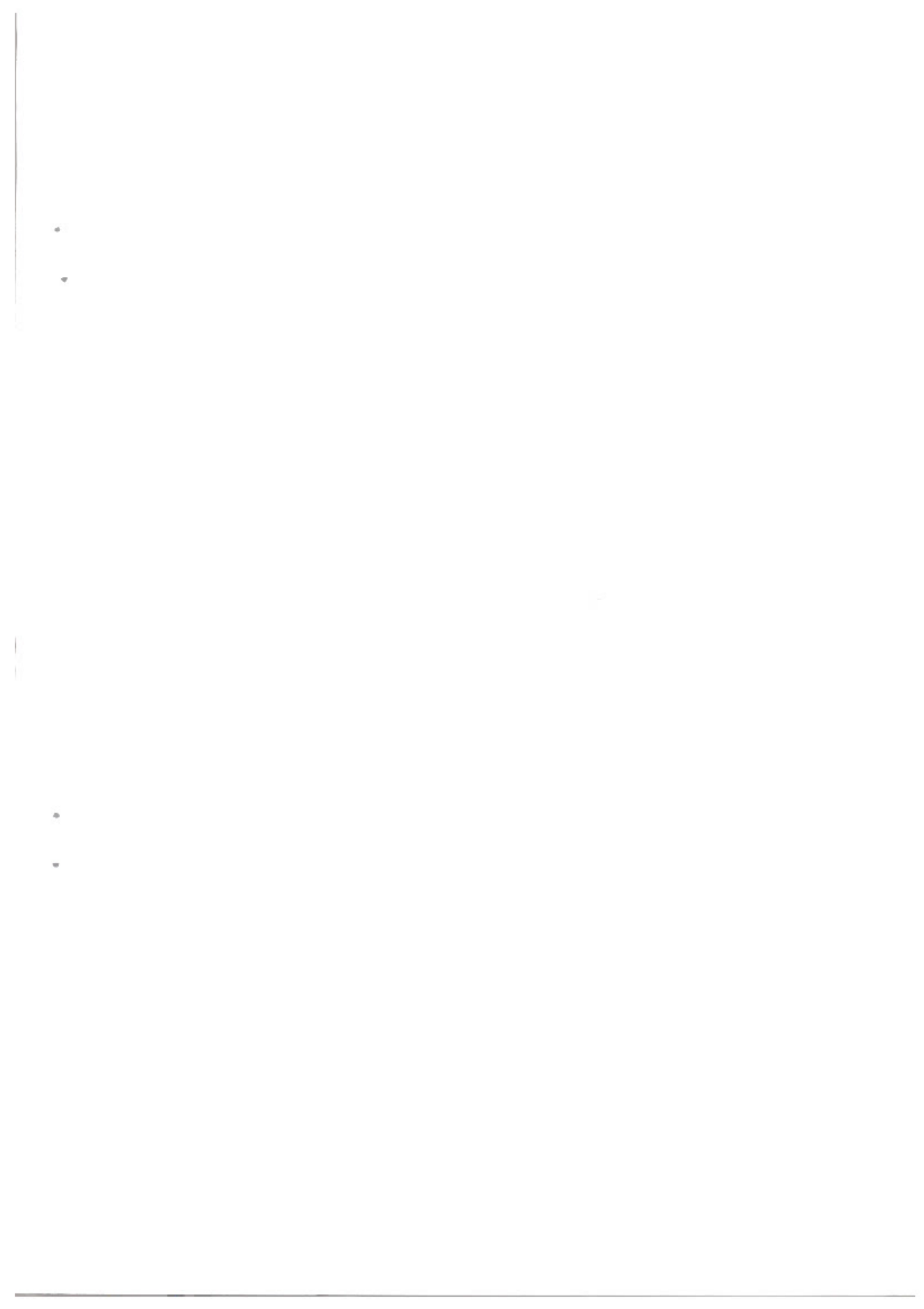
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