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Q6(b)

The Doctrine of Basic Structure of the Constitution has enhanced the power of judicial review of the Supreme Court. Examine

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2022 · PSIR GS 1 · 15 marks · Salient Features of the Indian Constitution

Salient Features of the Indian Constitution: The Preamble, Fundamental Rights and Duties, Directive Principles; Parliamentary System and Amendment Procedures; Judicial Review and Basic Structure doctrine.

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Kesavananda Bharati (1973)

Thirteen-judge bench; amending power exists but cannot damage basic structure.

Minerva Mills (1980)

Struck 42nd Amendment clauses that immunised amendments and unbalanced Parts III and IV.

I. R. Coelho (2007)

Ninth Schedule laws after 24 April 1973 open to basic-structure test.

NJAC case (2015)

Ninety-ninth Amendment struck down; collegium restored as linked to judicial independence.

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