

# Democracy without justice is tyranny.

1) Introduction.

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a) Without justice, self-interests take place precedence over collective interests in democracy.

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c) Democracy without justice perpetuate the reign of mobs which brings chaos.

d) Absence of justice in democracy results in oppression of minority by majority.

e) Democracy without justice creates environment for racial discrimination and communalism.

f) Democracy missing justice cannot ensure the accountability of powerful.

g) Lack of justice in democracy turn into an autocracy, infringing citizens rights.

h) Democracy without justice results

in absolutism against democratic rights.

### 3) Justice in democracy maintains its essence.

a) Justice ensure constitutional rights in democracy which is its basic feature.

b) Justice in a society that protects fundamental rights of citizens which defines democracy.

c) Justice maintains implementation of minorities rights in democracy.

d) Justice in a democracy fulfils the basic need of freedom of speech.

### 4) The way forward to preserve essence of democracy.

a) Promoting civic education and critical thinking.

b) Protecting human rights and individual freedom.

c) Promoting representative and participatory democracy.

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and promote inclusivity.  
5) Conclusion.

Democracy hailed as the cornerstone of freedom and equality, can devolve into tyranny when justice is absent. Without justice in democracy self interest can take precedence over collective interests which hinders the rule of law in society undermining the basic foundation of democracy. Democracy without justice perpetuates the reign of mobs which brings the chaos in resulted oppression of minority by majority. It creates racial discrimination and communalism which cannot ensure the accountability of powerful. Furthermore, Justice in democracy can maintain its essence. It ensures constitutional rights in democracy which protect the fundamental rights of citizens and maintains

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the minority rights in democracy, which fulfills the basic need of freedom of speech. Despite all this, these essence can be preserved by taking measures. Promoting education and critical thinking protecting human rights and individual freedom by promoting representatives through which can protect minority rights. Hence, it can be asserted that democracy without justice loses its essence and value. The whole structure of democracy is dismantled and it turns into tyranny if justice is absent.

When justice is absent in democracy, self-interest inevitably supplant collective interests. Without a fair and impartial system to safeguard the rights of all citizens, the powerful and well connected exploit their influence to further their own agendas. Special interests groups manipulate policy decisions, bending laws to serve their ~~country~~ narrow interests rather than common good. Hence, it can be said that collective interests of the people are sacrificed at the altar of the personal gain, undermining the very legitimacy of democratic institutions. (8 min)

Furthermore, it creates a society where might makes right, rather than the law. When justice is absent, the legal system becomes a tool for the powerful to exploit and oppress the weak. For instance,

The Global State of Democracy report 2023, across every region of the world, democracy has continued to contract, with decline in at least one indicator of democratic process in half of the countries covered." Without Justice democracy's promise of equal protection under the law remains an unfilled illusion. Hence, it can be said that it erodes trusts in institutions but also creates a climate of fear and mistrust among citizens. (9 min)

Moreover, when democracy is divorced from justice the rule of law gives way to rule of the mob. Democratic institutions designed to protect individual rights and promotes the common good are hijacked by ~~by~~ the loudest and most aggressive voices. As Alfred Smith said,

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"The cure of ill democracy is more democracy". Hence, it can be asserted that it leaves society vulnerable to authoritarianism, extremism and instability. (7 min)

However, absence of democracy creates a fertile ground for the tyranny of the majority where the rights and interests of minority groups are trampled. Without a protection of for individual rights and the rule of a law the dominant group can exploit its numerical superiority to impose its will on vulnerable minorities. This can manifest discrimination and targeted violence.

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In economic disparities and their citizenship are being reduced. (9 min)

In addition to this, when democracy is stripped of justice the doors is opened wide to racial discrimination and communalism. Without safeguard for individuals rights and protection under the law, majority can exploit their powers to marginalize and oppress minority groups. The absence of justice enables politicians to exploit racial and ethnic divisions. Ultimately, communal discrimination become entrenched in the fabric of society. (6 min)

Furthermore, Democracy without justice is hollow shell, incapable of holding the powerful accountable for their actions! When justice is absent, those



In positions of authority operate with impunity. The lack of robust institutions and mechanism for accountability enables corruption and abuse of power to flourish. The powerful exploit their influence to evade accountability. Therefore, a culture of inaccountability where corruption and abuse of power become entrenched and the democratic system is undermined. (11 min)

Lastly, democracy without justice devolves into absolutism. When justice is absent, power concentrates in the hands of a few, unchecked and unaccountable. Absolutism flourishes as democratic institutions are hollowed out. Democracy promises of self governance and popular sovereignty. To sum up, absolutism destroys the delicate balance of power

undermining the legitimacy of democratic governance. (5 min)

Coming forward, promoting civic education and critical thinking is the lifeblood of a vibrant democracy. By empowering citizens with knowledge of their rights, responsibilities and democratic process, critical thinking enables citizens to discern fact from fiction and make informed decisions. Together, they form powerful against misinformation and authoritarianism. Thus, it strengthens democratic institutions, promotes social cohesion and ensures the long term health of democratic system. (9 min)

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human rights and individual freedom is the cornerstone of democratic governance.

Democracies are ~~built~~ built on the principles of equality, justice and dignity which are only achievable when every

citizens inherent rights are respected and safeguard.

Therefore, erosion of human rights and individual freedom undermines democratic legitimacy, sparking social unrest and authoritarianism. (8 min)

**In conclusion,** democracy without justice is a ticking bomb, waiting to unleash tyranny and destroy the very fabric of society. The absence of justice undermines the legitimacy of democratic process, enables the exploitation of the vulnerable and creates

an environment conducive to oppression. Democracy that neglect justice inevitably slide into authoritarianism, undermining the rights of freedoms of citizens. To prevent this outcome it is imperative that democratic prioritize justice, protecting individual rights and fostering culture of equality. Therefore, democracy can fulfil its promise of liberty, equality and pursuit of happiness for all. (12 min)