

"Freedom of Speech should be limited"

- 1) Introduction
- 2) What does it mean by "Freedom of Speech"?
- 3) Why Freedom of Speech should be limited?
 - (a) Unrestrained speech hurts religious sentiments (Caricature of Holy Prophet (PBUH) by Swedish artist Lars Vilks).
 - (b) Unrestricted freedom of speech can jeopardise national security (Case study of Pentagon Papers).
 - (c) Unhindered speech can lead to calumny.

(Quotation by Timothy Garton Ash.

(d) Unrestricted freedom of speech can lead to false accusations.

(Pizzagate scandal case against Hilary Clinton).

(e) Unrestrained speech leads to hate speech and violence

(Case study of ISIS propaganda campaigns on social media).

(f) Unbridled speech leads to the spread of rumours.

(Fake news about the treatment of corona ^{virus}).

(g) Unrestricted speech provokes unrest and disturbs societal harmony (2002 Gujarat riots).

4- Why Freedom of Speech should not be limited?

- (a) Bedrock of democracy and accountability
- (b) Protects minority and unpopular views
- (c) Fosters innovation, creativity and societal progress.

5. Conclusions