

BASIC STRUCTURE OF THE CONSTITUTION

1951 – Shankari Prasad case – FRs amendable

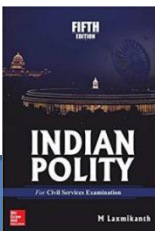
1967 – Golaknath case – FRs NOT amendable

1973 – Kesavananda Bharathi case - FRs amendable but, basic structure/features

1980 – Minerva mills case - basic structure/features

1981 – Waman Rao case – adhered to basic structure/features and applicable to constitutional amendments after 1973

S. Court YET to define basic structure/features



By various judgements - BASIC STRUCTURE

Supremacy of the constitution

Sovereignty, Republic , Democracy , Unity & Integrity of Indian Polity

Secularism

Separation of powers

Federalism

Welfare state

Judicial Review

Freedom & dignity of Individual

Parliamentary System

Rule of law

Harmony between FRs & DPSP

Principle of Equality

Free & fair elections

Independence of judiciary

Limited power of parliament to amend constitution

Effective access to Justice

Principle of reasonableness

Powers of S. Court under Articles 32, 136, 141 & 142

