

Chapter 11

CIVIC LIFE IN PAKISTAN



Q1: Describe the right and obligation (duties) of a citizen? Rights:

- Personal Freedom: Everybody has a right to be free in his thoughts and deeds provided they are not harmful to others. He has the right to move, reside anywhere in the country, to trade, get employment, etc.
- Freedom of Expression: Everybody has a fundamental right of freedom of expression. Newspaper, magazines, TV channels should be free.
- Freedom of Religious: Everybody has the right to practice any religion but nobody has the right to speak against any religion.
- Access to Education and Health: Every child has the right to get education and health care. The government is responsible for providing these facilities to its citizen.

Obligations:

- Respect for law: Every citizen should have respect for law and avoid breaking the law.
- Perception for the rights of others: every citizen is under obligation to care for the rights of others.
- Loyalty to the country: Every citizen should be loyal to one's country. A citizen who is not loyal to one's country should be considered as traitor and will be duly punished.

Q2: Being a student, what are your duties/responsibilities?

The responsibilities of a student are as follows:

- It is the duty of every student to complete his education with devotion.
- During vacations, a student should devote his time to promote adult education, civil defense or other welfare work.
- A student should refrain from malpractices such as copying in the exams or indulge in narcotics or addiction to drugs or smoking.

Q3: What is the meaning of corruption? What are its harmful effects on the society? Corruption:

- Any malpractices or any wrong doing is corruption.
- All violations of laws come under the corruption.
- Corruption is a crime and there is a punishment for it in all the countries of the world.

Harmful effects of corruption on the society:

- There is an increase in lawlessness.
- There is social and moral damage to society.
- The government does not get the money needed to build more schools, hospitals and roads.
- People have to suffer more burdens on bills, taxes, and lack civic amenities due to others' corruption.
- There is injustice with people in every walk of life.

FILL IN THE BLANKS

- 1) In democracy there is **freedom of speech** and freedom of expression.
- 2) The people elect their representatives by **elections**
- 3) National interests should be **preferred** over personal interests.