

# NCERT SOLUTIONS

CLASS - 7TH



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Subject : Civics

Chapter : 9

Chapter Name : Struggles For Equality

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Q1 What do you think is meant by the expression 'power over the ballot box'? Discuss

Answer. The expression 'power over the ballot box' means all adults in India have the equal right to vote during elections. This 'power over the ballot box' has been used by people to elect or replace their representatives. But this feeling of equality that the ballot box provides, because the vote of one person is as good as that of another, does not extend to most people's lives. The increasing privatization of health services and the neglect of government hospitals have made it difficult for most poor people to get good quality health care. These people do not have the resources to afford expensive private health services. Similarly, the man who sells juice does not have the resources to compete with all of the major companies who sell branded drinks through expensive advertising.

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Q2 Can you think of one person in your family, community, village, town or city whom you respect because of their fight for equality and justice?

Answer. DIY

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Q1 What issue is the Tawa Matsya Sangh (TMS) fighting for?

Answer. Missing

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Q2 Why did the villagers set up this organisation?

Answer. In 1994, the government gave the rights for fishing in the Tawa reservoir to private contractors. These contractors drove the local people away and got cheap labour from outside. The contractors began to threaten the villagers, who did not want to leave, by bringing in hoodlums. The villagers stood united and set up an organization to protect their rights.

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Q3 Do you think that the large-scale participation of villagers has contributed to the success of the TMS? Write two lines on why you think so.

Answer. Yes, large-scale participation of villagers has contributed to the success of the TMS. Villagers organised rallies and a chakka jam (road blockade), demanding their right to continue fishing for their livelihood. In response to their protests, the government created a committee to assess the issue.

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Q1 Can you think of an incident in your life in which one person or a group of people came together to change an unequal situation.

Answer. DIY

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Q1 What is your favourite line in the above song?

Answer. DIY

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Q2 What does the poet mean when he says, "My hunger has the right to know"?

Answer. DIY

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Q3 Can you share with your class a local song or a poem on dignity that is from your area?

Answer. DIY

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Q1 What role does the Constitution play in people's struggles for equality?

Answer. The Indian Constitution recognises the equality of all persons. Movements and struggles for equality in India continuously refer to the Indian Constitution to make their point about equality and justice for all.

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Q2 Can you make up a social advertisement on equality? You can do this in small groups.

Answer. DIY

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