



## **Features and Future of Democracy**

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**Abstract:** *The democracy is having its own features and they are unique in feature. They are the main pillars of democracy and they are the base on which the ideology of democracy is situated in the present world. They are the like constitution, people’s government, parliamentary system etc.*

*On these pillars, the democracy is situated and the future of democracy is having shining its place in international level. The features of democracy can be changed from time to time but still they are unique in nature. In this paper, we are discussing the main basic features of democracy and the future of democracy in the modern era*

**Key points:** *Constitution, fundamental rights, parliament, government, democracy etc.*

**Introduction:-** The concept of democracy was also existed even in the ancient age. At the time of city states in Greece and the king’s rule in India the people were well versed with the concept of democracy. After the end of Second World War, the popularity of democracy was increased and many independent nations had adopted the concept of ‘ democracy’ as their form of government.

The democracy, is having its own features and characteristics, is becoming a unique feature of system of government, and largest number of nations had adopted this as a system of government.

Democracy s not a new concept to the human generation. It can be seen in all forms fin various generations. In olden days, the democracy was existed even in the rule of the kings. But is in the hidden form.

The king was not behaving like as dictatorship, and every time he was showing the respect to the feelings of the people. There are so many instances in the world that shows that even the king can be removed if he was not perfect and not having administrative knowledge. . There are so many examples like French revolution, , Russia revolution are the best examples that the monarchies can be removed by the people.



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### Methodology;

Future of Democracy :- Whatever may be the weaknesses of democracy, and they undoubtedly exist, it seems destined to become universal. In fact it has already nearly become such, Since the close of the World War we have seen even the rock-ribbed autocracy of Germany transformed into a republic with all the modern democratic institutions such as universal suffrage without distinction of sex, popular election of the head of the state, parliamentary ministerial responsibility, proportional representation, the referendum, the initiative, and the recall.

Old monarchies such as Belgium, Rumanian, and Hungary have introduced new democratic institutions. It is hardly likely that they will ever again turn away from democracy, for the reason, as Laski, remarks, that men who have once tasted power will not surrender it. Whether, as Sidgwick remarked, democracy is a depressingly prevalent political fact, it is, as he himself admitted, a widely and enthusiastically accepted political ideal.

Recently Russia, Italy, Austria, and Germany have abandoned it, but it is doubtful whether their abandonment will be permanent. Sir Henry Maine, who ventured the opinion that the history of popular government did not warrant the assumption that it had an indefinite future, admitted that the example of the United States had done much to raise the credit of democratic republics and to reveal their possibilities.

Lecky, who, like Maine, feared and distrusted democracy, also admitted that it was likely to dominate, at least for a considerable time, in all civilized countries, and that the only questions to be met were those relating to the form which it should take and the means by which its characteristic evils could be best avoided.

We are free to criticize democracy as much as we please, but as Barthelme remarks, it is as vain as to criticize the course of the seasons or the laws of attraction of the stars. Democracy will reply *sum quia sum*.

It is not improbable, however, that the forms of democracy as it exists in some countries will undergo important changes. There are those who maintain that the remedy for the existing ills is not less but more democracy, and that consequently the changes that are likely to follow will involve a further extension of the democratic principle of on the other hand, an increasing number of wise observers believe that democracy has been perverted through an attempt to throw upon the people tasks for which they are incompetent and that a reaction is inevitable.

Lord Bryce was certainly not over optimistic regarding the future of democracy. In the form which it has almost everywhere taken, that of government by a representative assembly he thought it shows signs of decay in nearly every country the confidence in such assemblies has perceptibly declined, in some they have shown themselves unequal to their tasks, and in others too subservient to parties.

The recent virtual displacement of representative government in a number of [European countries](#) by dictatorships has been due in part to the dissatisfaction with the representative system. Nevertheless it is, as Bryce aptly remark-ed, up to those Who criticize democracy to suggest something better to take its place.

**Feature of democracy;-** The democracy is the ideology which is having many unique features. There are as follows;-

**Constitution;-** Constitution which is in the form of written or unwritten , whatever it may be is also the unique feature of our democracy. The constitution means a set of rules and regulations is always guides the government in the matter of administration. So most of democratic nations had adopted democracy as the unique feature of our democracy.

The constitution can be written or unwritten and it is existed form in all countries;

**Parliamentary form of government;-** Parliamentary form of government is an indivisible part of democratic nation. Parliamentary form of government means representative form of government. Due to large, population, it is inevitable to choose the representatives to make and run the government. It does not having any place to monarchical form of government and it also believes in democratic values.

It can be also considered as people's form of government.

**Election system for choosing the representatives;-** Election system is also considered as the unique feature of choosing the representatives to run the government. Even though, we are having bureaucratic system, still to organize this there is government is necessary to run the administration. Election system means choosing the right people to form and run the government.

It does not allow any king or queen or any hierarchical people to form and run the government. So there is a chance to all qualified and talented people to elect from the people and run the government.

**Universal adult franchise system;-** Universal adult franchise system is also one of the key feature of the democratic system. In this system, the adults are only having the right to vote in the election and choosing the representatives to form the government.

It also symbolizes the indirect democratic system in which the countries are largely populated.

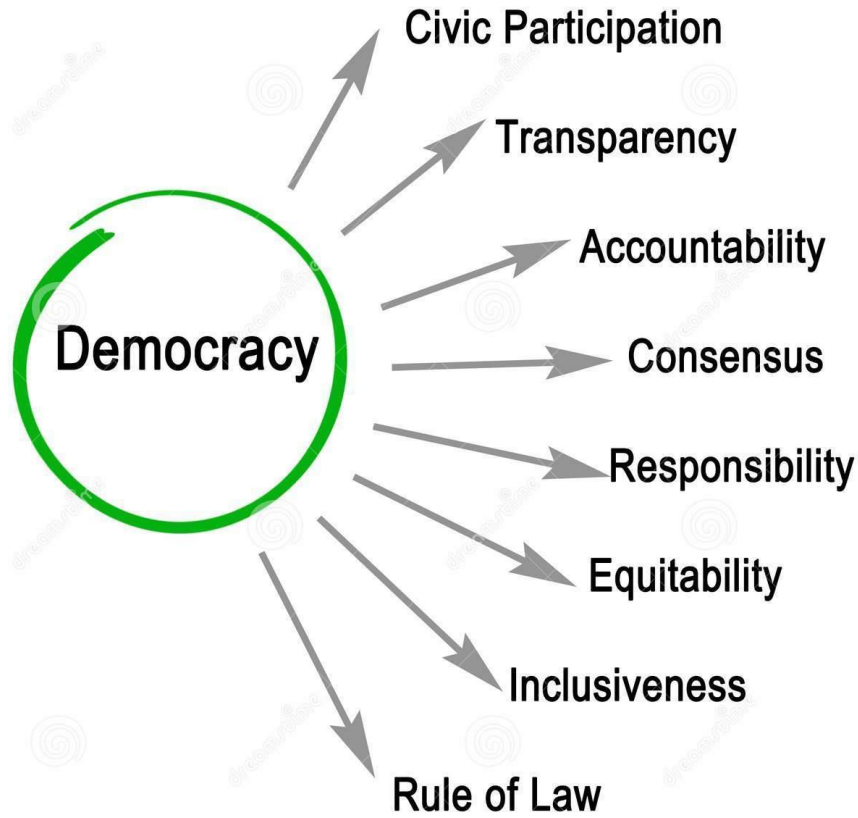
**Future of democracy;-** In the era of modern science and technology, the democracy is having the bright future as an ideal form of government. Most of the countries in the world, had adopted as the regular form of government and now it is wide spread form of government. Even though, we are seeing so many types of governments like kingship form of government, queen's government, military form of government, guided democracy, or whatever it may be and still democracy is accepted as the best form of government.

**Conclusion;-** Totally, we can say that, democracy, which is accepted as ideal form of the government by most of the countries in the world, is having its unique features and it is having shining future in the present world.

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