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Detailed List of Social and Religious Movements in India - GK Notes for SSC & Bank Exams in PDF

India as a country is known for its glorious past, blossoming present and is believed to witness a prodigious future. But the present status that we as Indians celebrate is not an outcome of an unprompted growth but is due to the anticipation shown by some luminary and lionhearted people who came ahead to shape the present India. It is very important for all of us to acknowledge such reform drives in case we want to qualify competitive exams like **SSC, Banking** etc. Let's look at the list of social and religious movements in India in a way that we take pride in being Indians as well as register them in our minds as GK Notes for our upcoming or ongoing exams.

Emergence of Social and Religious Movements in India

In the **19th Century**, many dynamic & thoughtful people from all parts of the country came forward and joined hands to begin various social and religious reform drives to eradicate the ordeals of being the oldest civilization of the world.

During that time a major population of India offended the culture and beliefs brought in by the west but some gradually understood that modern western thoughts will provide the key to a new and developed society.

The ideas that all the reform leaders of the time had in common were -

- One God and basic unity of all religions.
- Devalue priesthood, rituals, idolatry and polytheism.





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- Improve the status of girls & women in the country.
- Foster feeling of self-respect, self-reliance and patriotism.

Outcome - Social and Religious Movements in India

The determination of the reform leaders finally brought our society on a path to social, religious and mental well being. Impact of modern western culture soon gave birth to a new awakening in India.

The major outcomes of the social & religious reform movements were -

- Creation of national awakening among the masses.
- The revival of Hinduism as a tolerant.
- The onslaught on the indignities committed on women, untouchables & other oppressed sections of the society.
- An attack on the hereditary character and rigidity of the caste system.
- The sense of co-existence of cultures and religions.

After understanding the emergence and impact of the social & religious movements in India, let's now look at the List of Social and Religious Movements in India.

List of Social and Religious Movements in India

Down here is the detailed list of Social and Religious Movements in India listed along with the founder, year and place of origin. Run through the list of social & religious movements in India properly and devise a strategy to remember them!



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Name	Founder	Year	Place
Atmiya Sabha	Raja Ram Mohan Roy	1815	Calcutta
Young Bengal Movement	Henry Vivian Derozio	1826	Calcutta
Brahmo Samaj	Raja Ram Mohan Roy	1829	Calcutta
Dharma Sabha	Radhakant Dev	1830	Calcutta
Tatvabodhini Sabha	Debendranath Tagore	1839	Calcutta
Paramhansa Mandili	Dadoba Panderung	1849	Bombay
Rahnumai Mazdhyan Sabha	Dadabhai Naroji	1851	Bombay
Radhaswami Satsang	Shiv Dayal Saheb	1861	Agra





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Brahmo Samaj of India	Keshav Chandra Sen	1866	Calcutta
Prarthana Samaj	Dr. Atmaram Pandurang	1867	Bombay
Arya Samaj	Swami Dayanand	1875	Bombay
Theosophical Society	H.P. Balatsvy & Col. Olcott	1875	New York
Sadharan Brahmo Samaj	Anand Mohan Bose	1878	Calcutta
Deccan Educational Society	G.G Agarkar	1884	Pune
Indian National Social Conference	M.G Ranade	1887	Bombay
Dev Samaj	Shivnarayan Agnihotri	1887	Lahore



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Ram Krishna Mission	Swami Vivekanand	1897	Belure
Servants of Indian Society	Gopal Krishna Gokhale	1905	Bombay
Pune Seva Sadan	Mr. Ramabai Ranade & G.K Deodhar	1909	Pune
Social Service League	N.M Joshi	1911	Bombay
Seva Samiti	H.N Kunjru	1914	Allahabad

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