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**Declaration of Independence**

Declaration of independence was a revolutionary document in the history of United States that was approved on July 4, 1776 by the Continental Congress. Thus declaration announced the independence of 13 North American British colonies belonging to the Great Britain. It also explained the underlying rationale behind resolving these united colonies into independent state on July 2—the day when voting was done. The sole purpose of declaration was not just communicating that colonies have now gained independence from the Great Britain but also explaining it rationally why this measure was necessary to execute. After reading the document thoroughly, it was found that declaration was based on the basic rights of human beings such as equality, independence, free will, freedom, happiness and prosperity. Out of these attributes, equality and freedom of people would be contemplated with respect to the relevance in current American society.

**Equality and freedom**

It was demonstrated that all men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with particular ingrained rights including equality and liberty. A government is responsible for fulfilling basic needs and protecting the rights of individuals being their sole representative. It was demonstrated that government and their subordinate individuals interact in reciprocal manner; if government delivers the best, people elect them satisfactorily for the continuation of long standing prosperity however if government fails to protect these rights, people are not only rightful but obliged to overthrow such government so that someone better could come upfront and lead them towards fulfilling, stable and secure future. As King George was accused of snatching the rights of people by plundering and applying force taxes on colonies, the declaration rationalize that people are rightful to be freed and build their own government. This declaration states that governments should not be overthrown for insignificant reasons hence a long history of abuses made colonists to exterminate an autocratic government. This extermination is the true representation of freedom and free will of common people that is still very relevant and guides evolving governments to follow identical political benchmarks.

**Relevance of these rights in today’s society**

Throughout America’s history, there have occurred important and notable periods of civil rights, economic, social and racial inequalities. However, in today’s society, nearly every person is free to possess deviating opinions and viewpoints regarding political and religious matters as long as it maintains the harmony and integrity in society without creating any negative impact on counterparts. Public elections are held after every government completes its constitutionally specified tenure which is a super-colossal expression of political freedom. United States selected its Black President that verifies the notion that all men are created equal without any distinction of age, sex, race, caste, color and religion. After Christianity, Islam is the second largest religion in America and Muslims are allowed to perform their rituals without any restriction. In addition to Muslims, all the other religious minorities of United States are living with peace and harmony. However, the newly emerging trend “globalization” has threatened the economical equality of individuals; it favors only rich and makes the poor poorer. This is because globalization has paved ways towards off shoring due to which poor people of United States suffer imminent unemployment as businesses tend to shift their industries in cheaper and tax free countries whose workforce is willing to work on minimal wages. Based on these rationales, globalization has widened the gasps between rich and poor. Government must take necessary actions to ensure the economical equality and freedom of individuals. There is still lot more to work on and our governments are trying hard to maintain the freedom that defined America two decades ago.

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