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Q. Discuss the possible factors that inhibit India from enacting for its citizen a uniform civil code as provided for in the Directive Principles of State Policy. [150 W]

Ans → Uniform civil code is basically a proposal in India to formulate and implement personal laws of citizens which apply on all citizens equally regardless of their religion, gender, and sexual orientation.

Factors that inhibit India from enacting Uniform civil code are as follows -

- 1) Diverse customs and laws → India is a country of diversities in all aspects. This leads to diversities even in religious laws and customs.
- 2) Constitutional obstacles → The implementation of Uniform civil code may create a conflict with the concepts of article 25 and article 14.
- 3) Communal politics → Initially, the political parties which <sup>governed</sup> India were more focused on this idea of communal politics which created differences among communities.

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4) Political Willpower - The government is lacking willpower to enact this because it can lead to conflicts.

5) Wrong Perception of UCC - Many communities believe that uniform civil code will lead to encroachment of their right to religious freedom.

The implementation of uniform civil code is necessary to strengthen the 'secular democratic republic' of India. Moreover, it can be achieved by gradual approach of government and by the major awareness efforts among the people.

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