

## **Political Science Class 12 Notes Chapter 10 Challenges of Nation Building**

### **Challenges for the New Nation**

India became independent in August 1947 immediately after independence, there were three challenges in nation building

- The first and the immediate challenge was to shape nation that was united, yet accommodative of the diversity existing in the society and eradication of poverty and unemployment.
- The second challenge was to establish democracy.
- The third challenge was to ensure the development and well-being of the entire society and not only of some sections.

### **Partition: Displacement and Rehabilitation**

- On 14th to 15th August, 1947, two nation-states India and Pakistan came into existence. Lakhs of people from both sides lost their homes, lives and properties and became victim of communal violence.
- On the basis of Muslim majority belt West and East Pakistan was created which were separated by a long expanse of Indian Territory.
- Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan also known as 'Frontier Gandhi' was the undisputed leader of the North-West Frontier Province (NWFP). Despite his opposition NWFP was merged with Pakistan.
- The portion of Punjab and Bengal caused the deepest trauma of partition.