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Class-V

Subject :- Social Science

L- 19 Our Social Reformers

New Words

1. infanticide
2. foundations
3. scholar
4. technology
5. intellectual
6. legalizing
7. abolition
8. polygamy
9. discrimination
10. prevailing

Define the following terms

1. **sati** – custom of widow burning herself on the funeral pyre of her husband
2. **polygamy** – the practice or custom of having more than one wife or husband at the same time

3. **female infanticide** – killing of infant girl child
4. **Vedas** – the oldest scriptures of Hinduism

Fill in the blanks

1. The British passed a law in 1856 , **allowing** the **widows** to remarry .
2. Raja Rammohan Roy is often called the **Maker of Modern India** .
3. **Dr. Ambedkar** spent his whole life fighting against social discrimination .
4. Acharya Vinoba Bhave is well known for **Bhoodaan Yagya** .
5. Anna Hazare’s supporters call him **Second Gandhi** .
6. **Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar** brought a revolution in the education system of Bengal .

Answer the following questions

Q 1. Who has been called the ‘ Maker of Modern India ’ ?

Ans- Raja Rammohan Roy has been called the ‘Maker of Modern India ’ .

Q 2. What was Ishwar Chandra’s contribution towards lower caste students ?

Ans- Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar opened the doors of the colleges and other educational institutions to lower caste students , which was earlier reserved only for the Brahmins .

Q 3. Why did people start addressing Ishwar Chandra as Daya Sagar ?

Ans- For his immense generosity and kind heartedness , people started addressing Ishwar Chandra as Daya Sagar .

Q 4. Who was Dayananda Saraswati ?

Ans – Dayananda Saraswati was a Hindu religious leader who founded Arya Samaj , a Hindu reform movement of the Vedic tradition .

Q 5. Mention some of the contributions of Dayananda Saraswati .

Ans – Some of the contributions of Dayananda Saraswati are as follows –

- Promotion of equal rights for women such as right to education and reading of Indian scriptures .
- His insightful explanation of the Vedas from Vedic Sanskrit to Hindi for common man.