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"Man's capacity for justice makes democracy possible, but man's inclination to injustice makes democracy necessary." Comment.

The quoted comment is best elucidated by the example of Indian Democracy.

## Indian Democracy : The Origins

reaction against

- Was a result of centuries of oppression

by a foreign power.

Subservience was basis  
on the ~~nature~~ of race,

economic and social superiority.

- Freedom struggle was also as much

against structures in India that made

"discrimination of man by man possible"

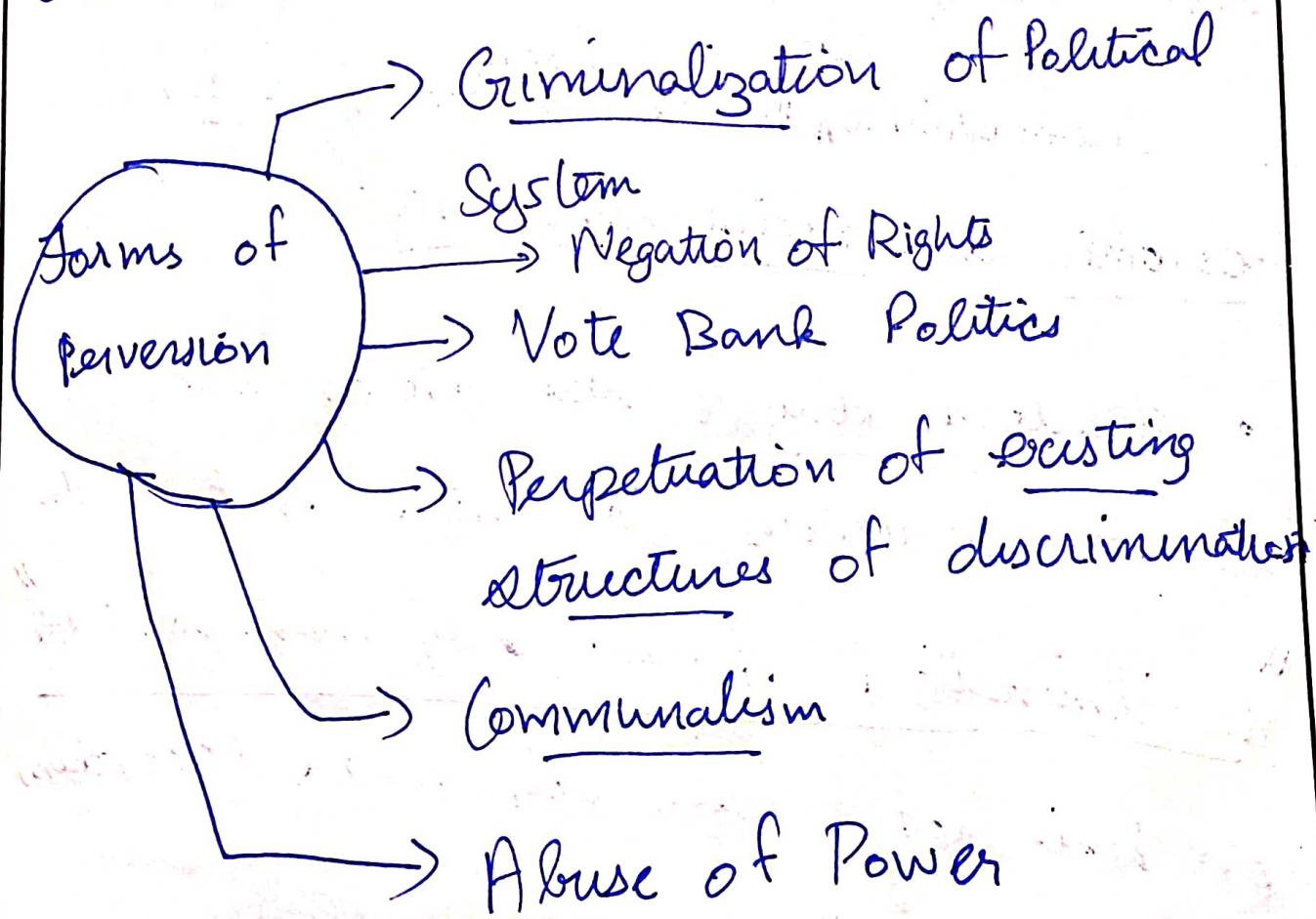
on basis of caste, sex, gender, race, class,  
place of birth etc -

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Constitution was a result of this freedom struggle which brought "democracy" to a land that was fundamentally undemocratic."

## When Democracy is Perverted

- Democracy is often perverted by vested interests which seek to benefit themselves at all costs.



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However, the answer to such perversions lies in democracy itself.

## Examples

- A corrupt government is often voted out of power.
- A perversion of rights is addressed by institutions in a democracy ~~such~~ <sup>such</sup> ~~not~~ as judiciary. [Gg:] Minerva Mills judgement.
- Popular protests and Dissent bring in waves of political change

[Eg]: India against Corruption.

- Absolutism by Political entities is not tolerated.

[Eg]: Excesses of Emergency resulted in the Govt. being voted out.

Therefore, the solutions to problems posed by vested interest in a democracy is often found in the nature of democracy itself.