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The State does not enforce any particular religion nor take away the religious freedom of individuals.	This is important to uphold the ideals of democratic nation which allow its citizens to choose whichever religion they wish to follow.	In February 2004, France passed a law banning students from wearing any conspicuous religious or political signs or symbols such as the Islamic headscarf, the Jewish skullcap, or large Christian crosses.
That some members do not dominate other members of the same religious community.	This is important in order to establish equality in the society.	Dalits were looked down upon and were discouraged to enter temples.