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# INTRODUCTION

- Marxism ?
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In it the capitalist (states) are exploiting the poor (states) and for safeguarding their interest are resorting to war and imperialism.

# Marxism

- Marxism is the political philosophy and practice derived from the works of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, presenting a materialist conception of history a non capitalist vision of capitalism and other type of society, and a non-religious view of human liberation.
- **Marxist view** - The marxist view of democracy is that power can not be evenly dispersed in society as long as class powers unequally distributed.

# Marxist Theory

- The Marxist approach to literature is based on the philosophy of Karl Marx, a German philosopher and economist. His major argument was that whoever controlled the means of production (the factories) in a society controlled the society.
- Marx created the theory of Marxism which believed that the motive for all social and political activities was for gaining and keeping economic power.

- Marxist Theory of Democracy can be divided into three main categories.
- (1) Capitalistic Democracy
- (2) Dictatorship of Proletariat
- (3) Socialist Democracy

# Capitalist Democracy

- Capitalist exploit the proletariat.
- Use of education , religion and culture to promote the interest of rich.
- Bourgeoisie Democracy protects the interests of minority capitalists .
- Workers fail to exercise their political rights.

# Dictatorship of the proletariat

- Essential to end the capitalism.
- Existence of only communist party.
- Dictatorship of proletariat is real Democracy.



# Socialist Democracy

## Characteristics -

- Basic of rights and freedoms for citizens.
- Collective leadership.
- No place for anti socialism political parties.

# Elements of Marxist Theory

- Historical Materialism
- Base-super structure scheme
- Class conflict

# Critical Evaluation of Marxist Theory

- State is not instrument of exploitation.
- One party rule is undemocratic.
- Revolutionary methods are against democratic principles.
- It is totalitarian form of government.

# Conclusion

- Marxist theory talks about the capitalism. as to how the Bourgeoise rule over the proletariat they exploit the working class for their self interest.
- It tells that proletariat have to take some steps (unite dominating class.