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**DR. B. R. AMBEDKAR'S PHILOSOPHICAL VISION OF DEMOCRACY:  
AN ANALYTICAL STUDY**

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**Abstract**

This study critically analyzes and evaluates Dr. B. R. Ambedkar's philosophical vision of democracy and its continued relevance to contemporary Indian society. As the principal architect of the Indian Constitution, Ambedkar redefined democracy not as a mere political system but as a comprehensive moral and social philosophy grounded in the principles of liberty, equality, and fraternity. His conception of democracy transcends the procedural notion of governance to emphasize the transformation of social relations and the empowerment of every individual through active participation in decision-making. Anchored in the ideals of "one person, one vote" and "one vote, one value," Ambedkar viewed democracy as a "mode of associated living" that ensures justice and human dignity for all.

The study explores Ambedkar's unwavering faith in democracy as a means to eradicate exploitation and social inequality. It examines his critical insights on the relationship between political, social, and economic democracy, and how these elements must coexist for the sustenance of a just and inclusive polity. By engaging with Ambedkar's writings and speeches, the research reflects on the philosophical foundations of his democratic thought and its relevance to ongoing challenges such as caste discrimination, religious intolerance, gender inequality, and the erosion of constitutional morality. Ultimately, this analysis highlights Ambedkar's enduring contribution to the idea of Indian democracy as an ethical and spiritual way of life that aspires toward justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity for all citizens.

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