



UCC before Uttarakhand's Foundation Day

Why in News?

Recently, the **Uttarakhand Chief Minister** declared that his state will implement the [Uniform Civil Code \(UCC\)](#) before [Foundation Day](#) (9th November 2024).

Key Points

- The **UCC Bill** was introduced in the **state legislative assembly on 6th February 2024 and was passed on 7th February 2024** during a **special session of the Uttarakhand assembly**.
- It was proposed in India to **establish uniform rules for personal matters** such as **marriage, divorce, inheritance, and property rights applying** to all citizens equally irrespective of their **religion, gender or sexual orientation**.
- The proposed law has **392 sections divided into four parts and seven chapters** providing equal rights to women in marriage, divorce, alimony and inheritance of property, proscribes certain kinds of relationships, bans polygamy, sets the marriageable age for men and women (21 years and 18 years respectively), and makes registration of marriages mandatory.
 - The **state's [Scheduled Tribe](#) population** which comprises **2.89% of the population** are exempted from this law.

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UNIFORM CIVIL CODE

All sections of the society irrespective of their religion shall be treated equally according to a National Civil Code - the Uniform Civil Code.

THEY COVER AREAS LIKE



Marriage



Divorce



Maintenance



Inheritance



Adoption

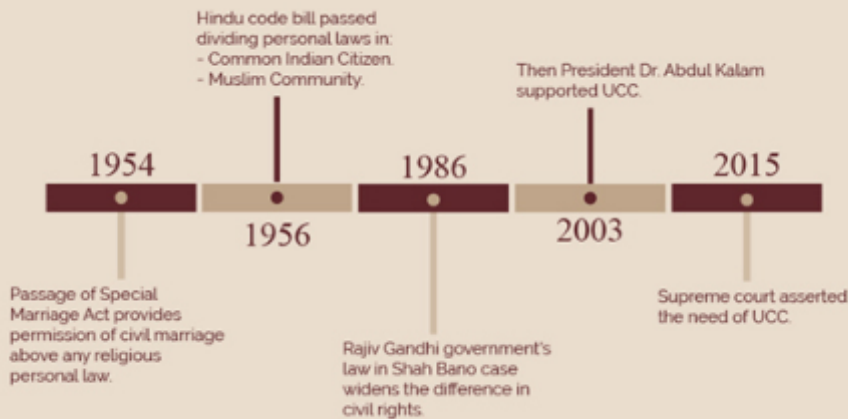


Succession of Property

It is based on the premise that there is necessarily no connection between religion and personal law in a civilized society.

"UCC refers to a common set of laws governing civil rights of every citizen."
Article 44 of Directive Principles sets duty of state for implementing UCC.

TIMELINE



The dialogue for UCC was started by the Law Commission in the year 2016

