



Aravali International School

## Class V/ Social Science

## Chapter-6 The Indian Government

### Think and answer

1. Imagine that you have been appointed the Prime Minister of India. Mention any one thing that you would like to do as the prime minister.

2. How can we as citizens help the government? Mention two characteristics which you think a good citizen should have.

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3. Read the article given on next page and answer the questions that follow:

a) Discuss the problem highlighted in the article.

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b) Which level of government is responsible for this problem?

c) what steps have been taken by the residents of Krishna Nagar to combat this issue?

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d) What steps would you have taken if you had been a resident of Krishna Nagar?

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# Sufficient supply of water, but not a drop fit to drink

Amid Delhi's scorching heat, Krishna Nagar residents were more than happy when they were getting sufficient supply of water. But their happiness did not last as for the past many days they have been getting contaminated water.

**T**his summer we were quite happy that the supply of water in Krishna Nagar was not affected much. However, soon we realised residents of Krishna Nagar, especially F Block, have been receiving dirty water, which we can't use. This leads to wastage of gallons of water every day. The supply of this contaminated water happens entire day. Though we boil water many a time, yet it's so contaminated that only 10 per cent of it gets cleaned. Sometimes the water is so dirty that you can match it with nullah water," said BS Vohra, secretary, Krishna Nagar Residents Welfare Association.

Some residents who are using this water are suffering badly from stomach ailments. Many residents also complain of skin diseases after bathing with the dirty water. "For the past few days, I and my family have been preferring cold drinks instead of tap water to drink. Some of our neighbours bought drinking water but it is not affordable for all," said Kapil Kapoor, a resident.

According to some residents, a Delhi Jal Board water pipeline going through Krishna Nagar area has got mixed with a sewage line and this has disturbed the quality of the water. Although residents complained to DJB officials, nothing has been done as yet.

"When we call the water tanks of DJB to provide some pure water in our area, they come according to their own timings. We thought that water supply must be clean early in the morning, so we woke up at 5 am to store

some good water but in vain," said Meenakshi Dahiya, resident of Krishna Nagar.

Residents have now requested Dr Harshvardhan, MLA of the area, as well as MCD Councillor Dr VK Monga to intervene in the matter.

When Cityplus contacted DJB official, he said "We have taken the water sample for testing and are trying to rectify the fault soon. Most probably within another couple of days the residents will start receiving clean & proper supply of water."

