

**Chapter – 8 (Patriotism)****5. Answer the following short questions:**

- a) What is patriotism?
- b) What does patriotism teach us?
- c) Why is patriotism called as a part of religion?
- d) Why is patriotism important?
- e) Why shall we love our country?

**6. Answer the following broad questions:**

- a) How is Patriotism shown?
- b) Write a brief note on Ashwamedha Yagna.

**5. Answers of short questions:**

- a) Patriotism is one's deep love and feeling for his own country.
- b) **Patriotism teaches us the following things:**
- i) To know our motherland.
  - ii) To love our motherland.
  - iii) To love the people of the country.
- c) Patriotism is called a part of religion because every honest and religious people love their country. They can sacrifice their own lives for the sake of their country.
- d) Patriotism is important because it is a part of religion. And, it is the duty and responsibility of all to love their country and to work for the welfare of the country.
- e) We shall love our country because she gives us a definite land to live. Moreover, she gives us foods, house etc.

**6. Answers of broad questions:**

- a) **Patriotism is shown by the following ways:**
- i) By loving own country.
  - ii) By working for the welfare of the country.
  - iii) By protecting the country from the hands of the enemies.
  - iv) By defending the independence of the country.
- b) **Ashwamedha Yagna:** Ashwamedha Yagna is the ritual only of the kings. In this Yagna (Yagga), a king releases a horse and the soldiers follow it. The horse runs from one kingdom to another. The defeated king goes under the reign of the winning king. In this way, the kings get defeated and the horse moves to another country unless it is stopped. If a king doesn't stop the horse, it means his defeat. At last, the horse returns home and is slaughtered. In this way, the Yagna comes to an end. This is called Ashwamedha Yagna.