

Q. The Data Protect Act rightly takes a graded approach to children's maturity levels, giving them right to make decisions on their personal data. Examine. (250 W)

The Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023, (DPDPA 2023), plays a path-breaking role in its inclusivity of children and recognizing their voice by providing autonomy to the Future India.

DPDPA 2023:-

- Section 9 - Puts obligation to gain verifiable consent from the parent before data processing.
- Section 9(4) - Mentions some exemptions from the above mentioned consent.
- Section 9(5) - Empowers Centre to notify the age for exemption.

Hereby, This act relaxes the paternalistic lens and empowers the younger India to exercise their rights and expands the autonomy.

This have some Goods and Bads too,

BENEFITS OF PROVIDING RIGHTS

Improves Digital Literacy & Self - Learning.

Better and Regulated Exposure to their second teacher, the Internet.

Enhance Autonomy & Creative thinking.

Defers & Rejects Bad Parenting.

Implementing & Expanding Article 21.

Providing Voice to the Voiceless.

Better Environment between the Regulator & the Industry.

GREY AREAS

Terrorist Institutes may influence badly

Children are emotional, vulnerable & susceptible.

Reduces Parental - Teacher Guidance

⇒ With Awareness, Education and Sensitization the Demographic Divident can be harnessed to it's finest through technology.