

Directive Principles of State Policy are equally important and go together and represent the kind of the society which we wish to create in India. One of the Directive Principles of the State Policy enshrined in Article 47 of the Constitution of India lays down as under:

"The State shall regard the raising of the level of nutrition and the standard of living of its people and the improvement of public health as among its primary duties and, in particular, the state shall endeavour to bring about prohibition of the consumption, except for medicinal purposes, of intoxicating drinks and of drugs which are injurious to health."

### 3.2. International Conventions on Narcotic Drugs 1912-1953.

To control and regulate the supply of opium and other narcotic drugs, the following International Conventions were entered into between 1912-1953:-

- 1912. International Opium Convention (the Hague, 2-3, 1912).
- 1925 Agreement Re manufacture, international trade and use of prepared opium (Geneva, 13.7.1925).

- 1931 Convention manufacturae and distribution of narcotic drugs (Geneva 13.7.1931) Agreement. Re Opium smoking in the Far-East (Bangkok 27.11.1931).
- 1936 Convention for the suppression of illicit traffic in dangerous drugs (Geneva 26.6.1936)
- 1946 Protocol Amending the 1912, 1925, 1931 and 1936 instruments (Lake Success, 11.12.1946)
- 1948 Protocol extending the 1931 Convention to synthetic narcotic drugs (Paris, 19.11.1948)
- 1953 Protocol Re cultivation of the opium Poppy and production Trade and Use of Opium (New York, 23.6.1953).

### 3.3. Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs 1961.

In the second half of 20th century, the white collar crimes assumed alarming proportions. Under white collar crimes also the 'drug addiction' and the 'illicit traffic in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances' became such a menace that the dangers following illicit traffic in narcotic drugs affected the world community and the same became the subject of International Conventions. India is a party to the "Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961",