

ACTIVITY NO – P.S-X

Subject	Political Science
Class	VIII
Chapter /Unit	L-10 : law and Social Justice
Topic	Industrial Disaster
Time	30 minutes
Nature of Activity	Individual

Activity Title – Diary Entry

What will I learn?

The students will be able to -

- examine the causes behind the industrial disaster at Bhopal in 1984.
- suggest ways involving the various stakeholders involved in an industrial production- government and private organizations , to prevent an industrial disaster .

Skills - Analysing and Interpreting

What I have to do? – To document a diary entry on causes behind the industrial disaster at Bhopal in 1984 and suggest possible solutions involving the various stakeholders –government and private organizations to take necessary measures to avert reoccurrence of such disasters and ensure protection of men and material .

What do I require ? – Pen and A4 size sheet

What do I need to know?- Post-midnight on December 3, 1984, poisonous gas that leaked from the factory of Union Carbide in Madhya Pradesh capital Bhopal killed thousands of people directly. The incident is now known as the Bhopal disaster or Bhopal gas tragedy.

Teacher's Activity - Teacher will-

- discuss the various causes behind the occurrence of Bhopal gas tragedy in 1984 as given in the lesson.

- share the guidelines to make a diary entry on the incident of Bhopal gas tragedy in 1984 .

(The guidelines in figure 10.1)

Figure 10.1- Guidelines for diary entry

- Write the date, day on the left corner of your sheet and time on the right corner, then start with Dear Diary.
- Begin the entry with a general sentence describing the day or momentary feelings.
- In the body, you may discuss an event, your feelings towards it.
- Conclude with final remark and future course of action.

Student's Activity -Students will-

- read the instruction given by the teacher for the activity.
- use an A4 sized sheet write a diary entry on the Bhopal gas tragedy in 1984.
- share it with the classmates and record it in their notebooks.

What have I observed?-

Complete the table with reference to Bhopal gas tragedy in 1984.

	CAUSES	STUDENT'S PERSPECTIVE
1.	*Shortage of workers	There should be a union of workers to put forth their demands .

***Sample filled**

What have I learnt?-

The world's worst industrial tragedy took place in Bhopal 24 years ago. _____ an American company had a factory in the city in which it produced pesticides. At midnight on _____ 1984 methyl-isocyanite (MIC) - a highly poisonous gas leaked from the plant.

What am I curious to learn?

As many as 11 were killed and 1,000 affected following a gas leak from LG Polymers plant at RR Venkatapuram village in Andhra Pradesh on May 7, 2020. Find out how this disaster bears similarity to the Bhopal gas tragedy in 1984?

Let me evaluate myself

Q1. Bhopal gas tragedy was a man made disaster. Elucidate the reasons behind this disaster in three points .

Q2. How do government certifications like the ISI certification help the consumer? Answer in 30-40 words.

Q3. Point out any two reasons for the sharp differences in safety standards between the 2 Union carbide factories in the USA and India ?

Q4. In what way ,was the government responsible for the Bhopal tragedy? Write in 50-60 words.
