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**DILEMMA OF DEMOCRACY IN AN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE BY
HENRIC IBSEN**



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ABSTRACT

Freedom of expression is founding principle of democracy in any region or country, more the exercise of this principle the stronger the organization. However, political parties today are equipped with manipulating the majority opinions and edging the democratic institutions towards arbitrariness. An Enemy of the People by Henric Ibsen is one such a play that comments on the eroding principle of freedom of expression among common people. In order to rule over common masses, the political class is manipulating their opinions through media, and thus dragging us to chaotic situations. The common man is facing moral dilemma as what to abide with: whether to go with political party interest or think of common good. This research paper attempts to uncover and comment on this phenomenon in democracy by referring to the play by Herick Ibsen.

KEYWORDS

freedom of expression, majoritarianism, moral dilemma of common masses in democracy