

**MOCK - 2 (PAPER - I)**

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**REMARKS**

Q1. The remains of Buddhist architecture and sculpture at Sanchi in Madhya Pradesh tells the story of the rise, flowering and gradual decline of Buddhism in India. Comment. (10 Marks)

Remarks

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- Q2. As with other art forms, Kutch embroidery has had to evolve with modern times and it successfully did so. Considering the above statement discuss about Kutch embroidery art. (10 Marks)

Remarks

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- Q3. Almost around the time, when the Gupta's were creating architectural heritage in northern India, another purposeful movement was taking place in the Deccan. Analyze the above given statement with special reference to Chalukya architecture. (10 Marks)

Remarks

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Q4. How far do you agree that Yoga is a wonderful gift to the Modern World by the Ancient Indians? (10 Marks)

*Remarks*

**Remarks**

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- Q5. To what extent you agree, that the contribution of Subhas Chandra Bose to India's freedom struggle is not less than any other leader of Indian freedom movement. Elaborate

SC Bose had been a great freedom fighter of Indian National movement (INM). (10 Marks)

① He was a radical Youth who advocated rapid independence for the country.

② He was much disengaged by Gandhi's

Struggle-Thrice-Struggle policy and along with Nehru formed Independence of India League

③ He appreciated Communist ideas and even set up National Planning Committee (NPC)

while he was president of INC in 1938

This shows his far-sighted vision

④ He left INC in 1939 due to ideological differences

and embarked to form the Forward Bloc

⑤ He formed the Indian National Army (INA)

for free India with British support

INA trials initiated a wave of nationalism in the country which led to RIN mutiny

This mutiny clearly showed the British that their rule over India was over.

Remarks

8 They rapidly began to move out of India.

In this way, S C Bose was a great figure & his contribution in INM is beyond comparison.

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Discuss contribution  
in detail and precisely

Remarks

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- Q6. Discuss the ideological foundation of Modern Indian Nationalism. What were the factors that forced the educated elites in India to introspect into their own culture?

Indian modern nationalism can be seen to develop (10 Marks)

under various ideological dimensions.

①. Vivekananda arose a sense of superiority in India that was long subjugated under Britishers. He created social reforms where there were in the country along with other reformers. He talked of patriotism & Nation hood.

②. Aligarh movement creates a wave of modernization in Muslim masses. They, thereafter, participated in National movement with more vigour e.g. in Swadeshi movement & Khilafat agitation.

③. Tilak took nationalism to religious undertones. He spread national feeling through Shrawi & Ganpati festivals.

④. Annie Besant, Savitribai Phule & Yugantar were guided by militant nationalism to work for self-reliance to gain independence instantly.

Ref. ⑤. Gandhiji brought an altogether different ideology of non-violence & truth which steered the Modern nationalism in an all encompassing manner. He steered the country to independence through his innovative philosophical stand.

Remarks

Western Education,  
spread of nationalism.

*Remarks*

- Q7. "Non-Cooperation Movement could not bring Swaraj in one year but it did give a new direction and energy to the nation movement." Comment. (10 Marks)

Non-Cooperation movement (ncm), the brain child of Gandhi ji began with the firm belief of liberating India of foreign rule but guided by non-violence ideology, Gandhi ji stopped it

saying after Champaran incident -

However it ignited a new wave in the country that eventually led to independence.

(1) It arose much needed feeling of nationalism & patriotism is raised.

(2) It made people aware of the exploitation done by British & created a popular representation

(3) The Kothi was discouraged by the sudden stop & resorted to unique practices like - resorting to Mahatma - Bhagat Singh, AN Roy setup.

Communist party in India

(4) Ambedkar, Savitribai, Yugandhar again rose up to fight against British imperialism?

(5) Widespread peasant movements, Trade union activism followed.

(6) Congress overhauls its working - It even saw a shift - no changes & Swarajisti.

Remarks

Precisely discuss the mass participation dimension in detail

Thus, new age of politicians & freedom fighters was born  
in India after 1947 which gave rise to independence

1947.

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Remarks

- Q8. Apart from persuasion and diplomacy, use of force was an effective strategic move in integration of princely states. Do you agree? Substantiate. (10 Marks)

British left the Indian Subcontinent in ambiguity. The act of 1947 had allowed Princely states to either join India or Pakistan or even remain independent if they want to.

Most states signed Accession treaties with India under guidance of Sarosh Vallabhbhai Patel. However, J&K, Hyderabad & Mysore decided to remain independent.

Their independent status was a threat for India as these entities could have been used by 3rd parties against India. Nizam of Hyderabad was actively engaging with Pak. & others.

Thus, use of force was strategically needed in case they did not accept the formal invitation.

This force was used to integrate Hyderabad. These entities remain in peace & have assimilated completely in India. Thus,

Diplomacy → force was justified  
 (Ref. J&K)

However, J&K states remain doubtful and the signing of accession deals with mafias.

Remarks

Morisingh in order to help J&K tackle pakistan aggression is often brought to criticism. We forced J&K to sign accession. This has not been accepted by few sections of J&K society. India must do the referendum to ascertain <sup>the</sup> ~~wider~~ public demand in the region.

use of force against own people is not justified but for the good of higher writer (leader of India) our political leaders accepted it as a suitable & needed force.

(4)

Properly discuss the  
dimensions

Remarks

Q9. Though India won the war of 1971, yet Shimla Agreement is seen as a diplomatic defeat of India. Critically Analyse. (10 Marks)

Shimla agreement was signed in the aftermath of 1971 war. The agreement provided the ceasefire line. This was seen as a diplomatic defeat despite the physical winning of war because:

- ① India could not take back the Pakistan occupied Kashmir that Pakistan captured after independence.
- ② The ceasefire line was poorly demarcated and was based on previous status quo of boundary. India had to return the captured territories.
- ③ USA had been supporting Pakistan through modern weapons & remained biased towards Pakistan. However, Russia (USSR) decided to remain neutral to the war even though actively participated in 1965 war. This was a big shock for India.
- ④ The settlement did not talk about the demarcation beyond Nرج 842 point in Kashmir. It led to frequent infiltrations & subsequently to 1999 Kargil war.

Shimla  
Agreement

Remarks

(5) United Nations' involvement remains questionable:

(6) The settlement did not talk of 'referendum' in Kashmir. However, Pakistan did demand referendum but without vacating the region. India did not accept it.

(7) The settlement did little towards improving India's position. However the war did force India to further stabilize India towards west. It further stabilized the South-Eastern boundaries from India.

Then it was a major diplomatic defeat for India.

However, we were liberated Bangladesh, we embarked upon maintaining good relations with the country. Our allies with USSR got strengthened & we enhanced our defense capabilities.

Ques 3  
Ref. limits

Precisely discuss the positive outcomes and criticism regarding Shimla Agreement.

Remarks

Q10. Give some examples of armed conflicts in post-industrial world that emerged from the movement and migration of people and explain the reason why they happened? (10 Marks)

Post-industrial world saw widespread migration & conflicts because:

(1) Industrialization process has led to the rise of need in industrialised countries for raw material & markets.

As such many European countries embarked on colonization & Imperialism causing widespread migration of European to the non-industrial countries like India, African countries, China etc.

It led to subjugation, exploitation & with the feelings of deprivation, protests followed eg. Revolt of 1857 (India), Opium wars in China etc.

(2) Within industrial countries industrialisation gave rise to capitalism & exploitation of labour class. The labor was not given any rights and they eventually revolted for eg. Luddite movement.

(3) In European these industrial countries, feudalism was also rampant in 18th & 19th centuries. This encouraged the peasants to migrate to industrial centers. This was

Remarks

Called the enclosure movement. It led to plenty of labour availability causing labor wages to ~~shift~~ ~~climb~~ down to very low causing wide separation in labor class.

④. migration of Europeans to American continent led to colonization of the continent. These American settlers

soon forgot their European roots & embarked on freeing themselves from the <sup>economic</sup> exploitation of British &

various conflicts followed like Boston Tea Party, American war etc.

Ref:

Conflict with locals  
(Red Indians.)

Remarks

# Briefly till WW-II

## Major factors responsible for it

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Q11. The integration of Europe has been a perfect example, how the once rival countries can become partners in progress and prosperity. Discuss. (10 Marks)

Europe is known for many cycles of integration and disintegration. To avoid such cycles

- ① ~~Historically we hear of mighty kingdoms by names of Habsburg & Bourbon dynasties. They disintegrated in time fighting with each other giving rise to smaller countries like Germany, Czech Republic, Hungary etc.~~
- ② Italy & Germany themselves were driven by various rulers. They were fragmented into small - small kingdoms. Bismarck has been accorded the title of "unifier of Germany".
- ③ Ottoman Empire once ruled most of Eastern Europe. With its disintegration many countries like Greece were born.
- ④ With fall of communism, the communist union that included Ukraine, Belarus, Baltic countries & among others broke up to creation of independent states.
- ⑤ Yugoslavia too balkanised to give rise to many small countries.
- ⑥ European Union formed in the aftermath of

Remarks

world war II is today seems to be disintegrating  
with the Brexit.

- ⑦ There is a wide urge in United Kingdom where  
water Scotland's northern Ireland are getting ready  
part away from the main.

2 to  
Rep. India

Remarks

Q12. Through-out history mankind has always tried to find comfort in similar identity and culture and has tried to eliminate the others. With modern technology, the process has just been made easy. Elaborate in context of the Jew Holocaust. (10 Marks)

Mankind is known by the ~~festival & groupism~~ instincts. They seek to remain in their own group & tries all their might to raise the standards (levels) of their group. Group identity easily surpasses individual identity & this was a major cause for Jew ~~persecution~~ - holocaust & in today society of Terrorism modern technology provided with variety of military tools. It gave the confidence of countries that had military industries or countries that were rich enough to buy modern technology.

Nazi-Germany was guided by suspicion towards the progressive-Jews who controlled major part of the country. As such they were always inclined towards scratching away all means of protection from these Jews.

Modern technology (telegraph etc.) further enhanced the communication in Nazi-autocratic regime.

Transportation network & modern railways provided means to transport Jews in huge numbers to holocaust sites.

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Modern media was used by Nazi-leadership to spread hatred & instil violence among the Nazi-masses who ~~eventually~~ rose against the Jews. The modern weapons of mass destruction further enhanced the pace of the gashorr + machine ~~horr~~ Hitler had created in his own mind.

Mention the tech used for annihilation of the Jews

Remarks

Q13. Two Massive and devastating wars have been fought on European Land, yet Europe is one of the most productive and economically well-off region in the world. Evaluate the reasons. (10 Marks)

A country, or for that sake a continent, is known by its "people".

Europeans are progressive & smart bunch of people who are guided by developmental instinct. They are experts in rebuilding and standing again after falls.

Apart from these, the European community has following advantages that keep them well ahead of the world:

- ① Expert knowledge base & huge budgetary allocations to research & development.  
Most economies run on "Innovation" eg. automobiles in Germany, Defence equipment of France
- ② They believe in globalization & inter-country trade to boost domestic development.  
They formed the European Union to facilitate movement of skilled labour & manufactured goods
- ③ The continent is full of resources and these countries have state of art mining equipments
- ④ The continent has massive agricultural potential eg. Mediterranean climate is

Marshall Plan, Bipolarization of the world, UN, Nuclear Power deterrence.

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good for vines, citrus fruits, ~~stepper~~ central low lands provide cereal cultivation -- relatively less

(5). Their polity is ~~not~~ driven by communal agendas & put economy above religion. This is not the case with West Asian countries.

(6). They were pioneers of Industrial revolution & they still today have the first industries that lowers the cost of production substantially.

They cleverly use international agreements & agencies for self benefit like Phytosanitary measures & up to keep Indian goods away.

Conclusion required for every ans.

- Q14. Indian society's strength lies in its ancient roots, capacity of its culture to assimilate and carry out reforms needed with changing times. (10 Marks)

India since ancient times has been a accommodative state & this has allowed her to continue her existence without a break.

'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' & 'ahimsa dasa bhava' have guided the conscience of people for eternity.

The guiding principle had been "mosaic of cultures".

This allowed India to keep evolving in its cultural values that gave significant

flavor to our cultural heritage for eg  
from Nalanda to Taxila, from Mathura art to  
Gandhar art, from Pahari paintings to  
Ajanta paintings, from Mughal architecture to  
Chandela architecture etc.

With coming of new cultures, Indian culture

kept evolving & reforming itself. many battles

were fought that changed the course of times

and established new rulers but the legacy

of Indian Cultural Heritage continued. It was

mainly because these rulers came to establish

themselves in India rather than exploiting

& taking war-exploits back to their own lands.

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India's

The geography & its vegetation had attracted people from all directions. Its resource base acted as a magnet. India's spice trade made her a golden Sparrow and this bounty of wealth attracted Europeans in 17th century that came & exploited the country for more than 2 centuries.

However, since independence India has bowed back

to growth & development. Respect for diversity & unity & fraternity still remains our foremost principles. We are the pioneers in reforms like Non-alignment movement & among others.

Factually elaborate

Remarks

Q15. We have two Indias - 'India' and 'Bharat'; and they are more in conflict rather than symphony. Illustrate. (10 Marks)

India is said to constitute 2 images - the more developed & progressive India & the backward-retarded to change 'Bharat'. NITI aayog has also accepted this bifurcation.

Both of them are in conflict because -

(1) India is 'change' prone, while 'Bharat' is change resistant?

(2) India is modernised & is rapidly enculating progressive & modern values, while Bharat still suffers from rampant prejudices, superstitions & orthodox values

(3) India has modern government that are development oriented, Bharat has government that themselves keep it backward - guided by vote bank politics etc.

(4) In India there is more respect for women, better safety & security for women & children while Bharat lacks the same

(5) The Bharat people often take law & order in hand, violence is common. It is relatively low in India. eg. Naxalism in East India.

Remarks

However, both "India's blots" are part of the country as a whole & the need is to develop holistically in order to raise the standards of the country & make India developed.

NITI Aayog has begun this through bottom-up planning & State-Specific development. This way each state is allowed to develop as per its priorities. The eastern state (Bihar) which possess high population & forest cover got larger devolution as per the new devolution formula off finance commission.

Analytically discuss the Rural-Urban disparity in detail

Q16. Discuss the impact of media on Indian society? How media could play a constructive role in bringing communal harmony? (10 Marks)

Media has been labelled as the 4th pillar of democracy. It refers to communication devices excluding Television, radio, Internet, news channels others.

It has a huge impact on society.

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The wave of national movement was ignited by

- ① The wave of national movement was ignited by media only.
- ② It spreads awareness among people regarding government policies, health, farming etc. It reaches the ~~seated~~ corners of the country.
- ③ It is an agent of attitude change. It has been an agent that helped the country to accept modern ideas of democracy, fraternity etc.
- ④ On the contrary, Indian media has become quite value loaded & biased. It has been used to incite communal feelings & for邪 bank politics. The media is changing

Negative aspect

in detail can play an effective role in bringing

communal harmony by following:

- ① Spreading awareness among people about other cultures, religions. Once people will know the good features of other groups, the prejudices & stereotypes will come down leading to

Remarks

visceral sense of harmony..

- ② media can be used to deliver skills & ~~not the~~
- ~~stop~~ increase employment opportunities.
- Employed people are less prone to violence.
- ③ media can help decrease fundamentalist attitude of people by attitudinal change through persuasion, discussions & debates -
- ④ It can be effectively used to make our youth aware so that they may not get indoctrinated by groups like ISIS & ~~Daesh~~ etc.

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media seeks to enhance harmony in diversity. It allows all to share information & information is a major tool towards peaceful coexistence.

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Q17. What is SEWA? What has been its contribution to women empowerment? (10 Marks)

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**Remarks**

Q18. Since 1992, satellite altimeters indicate that the rate of sea level rise has increased to 1.2 inches per decade, a significantly larger rate than at any other time over the last 2000 years? In this context, are Indian coasts geared up to take up the challenge? Critically discuss? (10 Marks)

with increasing anthropogenic activity,  
the climate change process has accelerated. It is  
caused acceleration in sea water level rise as  
predicted by the IPCC report as well.

India has a 7500 km long coast line both  
submerged & emerged. monsoon badly affects the  
western coast and we yearly see the flooding of  
coastal cities like Mumbai.

As such India considerably lacks in its  
preparation to tackle consequences of sea water level  
rise.

① mangroves are still being cut out to make  
ports, coastal plains etc

② large population lives in coastal zones much  
close to shore line. They are highly vulnerable  
to water level rise. Government still has  
no plans to effectively rehabilitate these  
people.

③

Bio-physical and socio-economic  
impacts in detail

Remarks

On the other side, we are preparing well to cope up with disasters.

- (1) we are having a well-equipped NDRF that can assist in weather related consequences in coastal areas.
- (2) National disaster fund can be used to make coastal zones more resilient to weather change.
- (3) Indian Institute of Oceanographic research is actively engaged in research on climate change & its effects on Indian Coasts. It is further designing mitigation & adaptation measures.
- (4) Early warning systems are being put in place across the coastal landscape & ocean bottoms to assist in ~~over~~ ~~dealing~~ various disasters.

Q19. What are the causes of the Cauvery River water dispute between Karnataka and Tamilnadu? Why is there no amicable solution yet? Examine. (10 Marks)

Cauvery river basin is shared by 3 states namely Karnataka, Tamilnadu & Kerala & Pondicherry (UT).

Sharing of water is thus, a cause of conflict over the river.

~~Decided~~ an water sharing agreement done in

British times in 1924 lapsed in 1970's & after

that on request of the States Cauvery water

Tribunal was setup under Article 262 (river water

sharing). After ~~Karnataka~~ ~~decided~~ ~~verdict~~ ~~regarding~~ water sharing) . Article

The tribunal has given its verdict regarding water sharing however it is entitled on the contest

that it did not consider ground water

regional topography while delivering the verdict

Karnataka says that it cannot release water to

TN as it is not able to even supply water

to its farms. This year Karnataka had

different rainfall while rest of India had above average rainfall.

The tribunal had asked the center to constitute a

Cauvery water management board which would

take over all powers from state as related to

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Carey water & will then impartially divide water between states & also equitable ~~in case of~~ in case of failed monsoon's offer distressed situations.

This board has not been setup till now.

# Carey today lacks the potential to serve the needs of all three states. Hence, conflicts are bound to rise.

The need is to adjust to short water availability.

through water management practices, grey-water

use, recycling & reuse of water, climate resilient

& agro-climate region based cropping.

2. Water falls under state list. The parliamentary

standing committee asked to put it under

central list. This will allow center to

effectively deal with the problem

A National River authority can be formed

on lines of NDAI with suitable powers

being devolved to the authority

Remarks

Q20. Recent scientific studies show that climate change may intensify the effects of Jet-stream. What can be the implications of this? (10 Marks)

Jet-stream are upper-tropospheric global circulations.

They are very fast winds mostly moving above 150 kmph. They are geostrophic in nature & are mostly westerlies (Northern Hemisphere) except the regional Equatorial Jet stream that flows above Indian peninsula.

Climate change may intensify these winds. This will have various implications like

~~with~~ most jet planes & aircrafts will be affected.

①. Most jet planes & aircrafts will be dependent on ~~with~~ this will affect the easterly equatorial jet, this will affect the monsoon cycle in India & elsewhere.

②. Relying waves are highly useful in transferring heat across the polar region & temperate region. It will cause changes in heat balancing across the planet.

③. Weather destabilizing and extreme weather generating. These will also be adversely affected. They are also associated to ozone hole. Thus, change in jet stream patterns will affect

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Polar Vortex

ozone hole as well.

- ⑤ Jet streams give direction & speed to cyclones. Thus, cyclones will now hit at different locations & their life cycle will get altered.

Climate change will have consequences that human

cannot even envisage to full extent. We must

work to reduce climate change as much as

possible. Recent INDC's & Paris summit are positive steps in this regard.

Massive impact on global food supply and potential for massive geo-political unrest.

Q21. Reducing regional disparities has been one of the significant goals of Indian democracy. Can the smart cities mission help India achieve this objective? Critically analyse. (10 Marks)

A smart city mission envisages creation of Smart infrastructure & living space around the periphery of already established cities (Urban areas).

As such Smart cities will provide more area to accommodate population migrating from rural cities to

However, it is not actually designed to reduce regional disparities as:

① Villages & small towns will remain backward, it will cause increased rural to urban migration.

② Only few cities will be developed. What about census towns & other smaller cities.

③ Funds needed to develop such cities will be

specific criticism of Smart City concept required (Refined)

Thus, the need is creation of Smart villages.

along with "Smart Cities", Government must follow an existing PWRP initiative

"Providing urban amenities in rural areas"

Remarks

R-urban mission if it has to work

Smart city ecosystem is the need of today's India.

However, we must not forget that majority India still

lives in rural areas. We must focus on

branding Education, Primary health care, Skills to  
the rural population to check rural to urban migration.

As no smart city can accommodate an ever increasing

migration population.

Smart cities, thus, cannot exist on their own. They

need well developed country side as well.

Refined

Remarks

Q22. According to World Health Organisation air pollution levels are rising in many of the world's poorest cities. As India is the home to world's largest poor population, critically examine India's preparedness in responding to this threat. (10 Marks)

Air pollution means - contamination of Air with other dangerous gases & particulate matter. Air is said to be polluted when the percentage of a gas/particulates increase beyond permissible limits. For eg. recently in Delhi, after diwali, Particulate matter 2.5 - levels reached beyond 1000 ppm. where the safe limit is below 60 ppm.

~~India lacks prerequisite expertise in creating a~~

# The coming of Bharat - VI norms is a positive step towards reducing emissions from vehicles which are major source of pollution.

# The government is today encouraging dismantling of vehicles beyond 15 years age and Delhi government has banned more than 1000 old vehicles from entering the city.

# The Industries have been mandated to use electrostatic precipitators, smoke filters etc at the chimney's of their plants.

# Solid waste burning process is being made relatively pollution free by using Lyt. quality incinerators. Recently, the government

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is Cerdency use of Plasma - incinerates that completely break the pollutants into harmless gases.

However, still lot more needs to be done:

- ① ban needs to be put on Construction - demolition activities without use of dust-reducing measures
- ② sweeping should be done in nights as road-dust causes increased PM<sub>10</sub> PM<sub>2.5</sub>
- ③ Scrubber bags & catalytic converters should be made compulsory along with electrostatic precipitators in chimneys as to reduce levels of smoke filtration.

Lessons from international experiences

Conclusion required

Q23. According to National Green Tribunal reports, the Art of Living's world cultural festival negatively affected the Yamuna flood plains. Discuss how such events affect the ecology of the region? Do you think such events should be allowed to be held? Discuss.

(10 Marks)

Recently Art of living organised a multi-day program in Yamuna flood plains. This ~~badly~~ affects the local ecology as follows:

- ①. Plenty of ~~plantation~~ is cut-off which causes loss of habitat to birds & wildlife.
- ②. levelling of land is done. It further degrades land ~~near capacity~~ to act as a barrier to river flow.
- ③. huge amount of ~~garbage~~ is generated.
- ④. noise pollution due to use of high capacity speakers.
- ⑤. Sewage generated is directly drained into river without treatment which increases biological oxygen demand leading to eutrophication. Like this severely affects downstream water quality.

Such events are having relevance to people of country and freedom of association is integral to Indian democracy Article 19(1)(b).

As such these programs should be allowed to

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Findings of Shashi Sekhar  
com. precisely

take place. However they should not interfere with our ecosystems environment as right to healthy ecosystem is also the right of an individual (Article 21).

The need is to provide suitable location to such events like stadium, waste lands etc.

The use of wasteland for such events will help in levelling the wasteland. This way we can

effectively use such events for additional gains.

In stadium, these events will fetch huge revenue for the government which can be used in other developmental agenda.

It is the most dangerous for floodplains as they are of great relevance to our ecosystem.

its judgement imposed heavy penalties on

the RTI Act, but still the damage done is

beyond any remedy.

# Discuss in detail

**Q24.** What is the meaning of Storm Water Drainage? The importance of storm-water drainage to a city increases in the context of changing weather patterns. How is this relevant to India? (10 Marks)

Storm water drainage means that the drainage system of a city should be sound, & prepared enough to channelise the acute water downpour that takes place in a storm. As such it is integral to the flood water management.

Changing weather pattern have increased its relevance because:

① The intensity & frequency of rainfall & cloud bursts is rapidly increasing.

② Glaciers are melting rapidly and the water is accumulated in glacial lakes, may times getting burst out any time causing rapid flash floods.

③ Cities are getting more congested

↳ often breaking into smaller flood plains (e.g. Deltic city has reached Yamuna flood plain)

are much prone to floods

④ Petroleum economy

It is of high relevance to India because:

⑤ India is a country of monsoon which in itself is

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is highly variable.

- ② western flats & North East are likely from to heavy rains, the intensity may increase with further climate change
- ③ Increasing temperature will increase continental rainfall causing increased intensity
- ④ Himalayan region has very high number of marsh lakes & there may burst with heavy rains eg. Pedamalh floods.

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The whole economy gets choked by such floods  
irrigation takes place. It is always better to  
be prepared than to spend 5-10 fold money on  
rescue, rehabilitation & developing again after disaster

Inadequate storm water drainage system in Indian cities in detail

Remarks

- Q25. Recently the Mihir Shah report has recommended an urgent overhaul of the current water management systems. Is National water commission the panacea to water management problems in India? Critically examine. (10 Marks)

India has water governance currently possess 2 separate bodies to regulate heavily inter-dependent resources - ground water & surface water. There are Central Ground Water Board & Central Water Commission respectively. These 2 bodies work separately & this has caused some problems like:

- ①. Ground water & Surface water have a high degree of coherence i.e. it is the surface water that seeps down to form ground water reservoirs & the soft/hard topography is also responsible for the same.
- ②. These 2 bodies lack multidimensional expertise like geohydrology experts, agro-hydrological, geohydrologists trained in topography based water management etc.
- ③. Despite these 2 bodies, we face acute water shortages, ground water levels have decreased to huge extent, rivers are frequently getting dried.
- ④. In recent Supreme court has also held that "Dual responsibility" means "no responsibility at all". This appears to be much relevant to these 2 bodies. NWC (National Water Commission) will subsume these 2 bodies and is envisaged to be the long term

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Solution to the problem because?

- ① It will have multidimensional expertise as such it will be an experts body encompassing above mentioned fields offers as well.
- ② It will cater to irrigation related problem & low surface irrigation is related to ground water levels. It will ensure both ground & surface water are seen as inter-related & therefore its planning process will be holistically driven.

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*Conclusion required*

Remarks