

# GS SCORE

IAS MAINS 2019

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Time Allowed: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 250

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# REMARKS

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## Section - A

Q1. "Bay Of Bengal Large Marine Ecosystem Project (BOBLME) has tried to mitigate trans-boundary issues affecting marine ecosystem effectively." Critically Analyse.

(10 Marks)

Bay of Bengal large marine ecosystem project [BOBLME] is multilateral regional collaboration for sustainable development of marine resources and human welfare among Bay of Bengal region. BOBLME involve countries like India, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Maldives.

Major initiatives are:

① It aim to improve life of people. Around 400 million people dependent on Bay of Bengal region with promoting sustainable fishing and pisciculture. Also it aim to reduce marine pollution.

② It aim to conserve ecology of Bay of Bengal region which host 8% of all mangrove & 12% of all coral.

③ It conserve sea, spits and other depositional landform.

Apt products

Discuss Initiatives life

 Protecting Coastal  
 Commitment  
 Conduct study  
 on BOBLME  
 environment

Remarks

① It fosters transboundary cooperation among nations. Sidelineing their issue like Palk Strait b/w India and Sri Lanka, Myanmar Thailand border etc.

However some challenges of

BOBLME are:

① Lack of fund for regeneration & conservation  
② capacity building measure and Technological upgradation among fisheries sector.

③ limited to regional level as more

Global externalities emerge like climate

change it require Global collaboration.

Hence considering the large amount

of biodiversity in Asia-Pacific region and large dependent population, more collaboration

and comprehensive measure are require to

fulfill SDGs & sustainable development.

make it concise

Discuss its effectiveness

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Q2. "Apart from affecting polar ice caps, Black Carbon has significantly contributed in receding Himalayas." Analyse. (10 Marks)

Black carbon is a short term pollutant which has large green house gas potential compare to carbon dioxide.

Discuss the geographical region from where these carbons are emanating

According to Ice Hindu Kush Assessment Report, Hindu Kush mountain which are regarded as III<sup>rd</sup> pole of earth due to massive glacier, have receded more than average speed around 1/3<sup>rd</sup> glacier retreat by 2100.

Among various reason like increase Green house gases, Deforestation etc. Black carbon has significant contribution

nicey explained

① Black carbon generated by unburnt hydrocarbon & fire forest fuel burning; have greater GHG potential resulting greater warming.

② Black carbon which get settled on ice caps decrease its albedo which fuels cyclic process of melting.

Remarks

① Black carbon help in formation of Brown cloud which act as a insulator further increasing warming.

Retreating Himalaya can have disastrous effect on entire subcontinent region. Some step such as

Shorten it and discuss relevance of

① Reducing green house gases and Black carbon through improving technological intervention like BS VI norm, filters in Thermal power plant etc.

Himalayan glaciers & the impact

① Afforestation, controlling Desertification & land degradation, sustainable development especially in Himalayan region

of retreating of glaciers on Indian sub-continent

① Bio-Engineering process to mitigate Himalaya region from climate change.

Hence, Both structural & non structural step need to be taken to mitigate Ecological decline Himalaya.

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Q3. India has banned bottom trawling in few areas while Sri Lanka has banned it completely. Critically analyse the impact of bottom trawling and deep sea mining on aquatic ecosystem. (10 Marks)

Sri Lanka and coastal India region are largely dependent on fishing for food and economic security. Explain bottom trawling & deep sea mining

however overexploitation of fishery & minerals led to the degradation of marine ecosystem.

Practise of bottom trawling & deep sea mining ~~led~~ have various negative consequences like: Discuss India's & Sri Lanka's stand on it.

① Dredging of sea floor can disturb Benthic marine organism and can also disturb offspring of various organism. nicely explained

② bottom trawling have resulting in capture of unwanted species ~~and~~ like Dugong, shark etc. resulting endangering their status.

③ Deep sea mining can alter the chemical and physical state of marine ecology like temperature, salinity etc. which may

Remarks

have adversely affected marine organisms.

② Also deep sea mining can induce seismic activity and may lead to release of methane gas in atmosphere leading to increase in GHG.

③ Bottom trawling can introduce invasive species which can change local ecosystem.

Further since India fisheries

is mainly dominated by inland fisheries &

only 35% are coming from marine fishes.

India needs to increase its share from marine.

Also ~~request~~ <sup>ISA</sup> permission to India

to explore polymetallic nodules will further

increase mining operation. However

such practice needs to be sustainable &

non-environment degrading for sustainable

development. Measures like hydraulic

~~and~~ scoop for mining, ~~sustained~~ technological

upgradation of fishing boats, training &

capacity building of fishermen need to

be focus.

Way forward?

Shailesh Nayak Committee's recommendation

Remarks

Good points

Nice articulated

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Q4. "Anthropogenic activities have been constantly threatening biodiversity of India's hotspots". Analyze the impact of human interference on flora and fauna of these biodiversity rich regions. Suggest some of the conservation strategy with existing framework citing Gadgil and Kasturirangan reports on Western Ghat. (10 Marks)

India is one of most diverse<sup>17</sup> nation in the world having 7-8% of all species. According to International Conservation, India have to 4 hotspot namely, Indo-Burma, western Ghat and eastern Himalaya and Soudaland.

Good Introduction

Over the year the health of hotspot get deteriorating due to anthropogenic activities like

① Expansion of agriculture land through cutting down forest. Schedule V and VI provide greater autonomy also full shifting cultivation specially North East region.

Shooting and disturb the threat associate with each hot spot.

② Unustainable agriculture practice leading to reduce water table. ex: In Koleny river upper course, cultivation of sugarcane lead to lower water table,

③ Mining activity in North East and western Ghat leading to degradation of ecology.

Remarks

① Overexploitation of resource like fishing reduces sustainability of ecosystem.

② Anthropogenic ~~to~~ activity induced climate change because of increase GHG lead to shift in weather phenomena & rainfall pattern.

Accordingly, Govt constitute Kasturirangan & Gadgil committee setup to look degradation of hotspot western Ghats.

Gadgil Kasturirangan committee recommend complete ban on developmental activity in Eco sensitive zone. However Gadgil committee demarcate Eco sensitive zone into Eco sensitive I, II, III, IV zones. to regulate development

and mining activities. They also regulate ~~recommend~~ tourist inflow, Hotel facility and other function in Eco sensitive zone.

→ Highlight the precise recommendation of Gadgil & Kasturirangan report.

— Mining activities to be restricted in Western Ghats

Q5. National policy on Biofuels primarily tries to address supply-side issues that has discouraged the production of biofuels within the country. In this regard, highlight the salient features of the policy and also mention the benefits of the policy.

(10 Marks)

Biofuel are the renewable fuel derived from Biomass. They are categorized as 1<sup>st</sup> Generation which ~~is~~ obtain from food crop, 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation obtained from residual agri waste 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation obtained from Algae.

Wood

National policy on Biofuel 2018 focuses on production of Biofuel as

① It expand the scope of raw material to include residual food crop, broken rice, wheat etc.

② It provide viability Gap funding for developing infrastructure.

nicey explained

③ It promote OPPs to create market for Biofuel.  
↳ Avoid Shortforms

④ It also ensure 20% ethanol blending & 5% bio diesel

some of the benefit of policy are :-

Remarks

① Biofuel can reduce GHG emissions & reduce SO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 99%.

② It can reduce import dependency on oil and gas and further improve current account deficit.

③ It can reduce cost of fuel specially aviation turbine fuel and hence reduce subsidy burden.

④ It can propel rural infrastructure, support scheme like waste to wealth, Doubling farmer income, Swachh India, waste management etc.

⑤ Improve health by channelizing used cooking oil.

Hence, National policy of Biofuel aim to create sustain supply side with adequate market mechanism & demand.

Good  
intent  
with  
good  
structure

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Q6. What do you understand by 5G technology? What are the advantages/applications and challenges to adapt to 5G in India? (10 Marks)

5G is a new mobile technology associated with increase data speed upto 20 mb/ps at peak hour and greater reliability of connection.

India have planning to roll out 5G service by 2022.

Advantages

- Substantiate by Citing: Latency, massive device connectivity & Comparison with the earlier version
- ① Greater speed of Data transmission along with high frequency & Bandwidth.
  - ② 5G can include more new connection per 1000 sq km.
  - ③ Very low latency time around 1 millisecond.
  - ④ more reliable network coverage & low drop calls.

Application

- Cross Analysis
- ① New Emerging technology like Internet of things.
  - ② tele-education, telemedicine and other e-government services.
  - ③ Boost to Data mining, Big Data Analyses.
  - ④ Promote Data driven startup.

Remarks

However there are some challenges in expanding 5G network.

① High spectrum price leading to incise cost of service and affecting it each year.

② skilled manpower involving in 5G.

③ Backhaul challenge as 20% operators are ~~linked~~<sup>connected</sup> to optical fiber rest on microwave backhaul.

④ Urban - rural divide manifested in telecom density - in urban is 150% while rural is 70%.

⑤ Literacy among people / Explain your point  
 However it is estimated that timely rollout of 5G can give \$1 trillion advantage to economy. Hence govt should have comprehensive & multi dimension policy to promote & facilitate 5G service in India.

Remarks

Q7. It is expected that there will be more than 24 billion IoT devices on Earth by 2020. What do you understand by 'Internet of Things' (IOT)? Who are the major stakeholders in it? How will it benefit different industries? Examine. (10 Marks)

Internet of Thing is emerging field in science which aim to integrate physical infrastructure with digital space. It allow inter device / inter machine and intra machine communication.

Major stakeholder include working in Internet of thing are

- ① Consumer
- ② Service provider including Internet provider  
Manufacture of smart devices
- ③ Industries who incorporate IOT in business process
- ④ Government for Regulation & facilitation

Relevant points

IOT said to benefit different industry like :-

- ① Agriculture :- IOT can anchor smart irrigation system, smart pest control, monitor fertilizer supply, ~~product~~
- ② Minning :- IOT can <sup>help in</sup> drift according to precise data and location.

Remarks

Transport & logistics : Smart Traffic control  
 monitor inventories loading and unloading  
 in factories, smart warehousing, storage  
 + facilitate Omnidirectional Mobility including car,  
 Trucks etc.

Industry : Automated supply chain in  
 manufacturing, smart meter in power supply.

Public policy : Resource management  
 weather prediction.

Household : Smart home, smart lighting,  
 smart AC, washing machine.

However rolling out of IoT  
 will face certain challenges like low  
Internet penetration & interoperability,  
Data privacy & cost of service.

Hence GOI must ensure  
 timely adoption of futuristic technology through  
 comprehensive policy & regulation of sector.



Q8. US-based Hyper-loop Transportation Technologies (HTT) is in talks with five Indian states to build a high-speed travel network. Highlight the technology behind hyperloop and discuss its significance for India. (10 Marks)

Hyper loop is a ~~travel~~ high speed travel network develop by Elon Musk. It is estimated that it ~~cost~~ cost \$ 40 mn per km; almost valued compared to bullet train.

It work on the technology of magnetic levitation. In hyper loop transportation technology it move in vacuum tube with minimum friction achieving the speed akin of the aircraft.

Such HTT has great significance in India because

- ① It provide fast transportation comparing other mode of transport.
- ② cost is half of that bullet train which ~~can~~ make it more attractive mode of transport.
- ③ It can supplement other public transport like bus, train, airplane etc.

Elaborate its working  
series of tube, pad may travel free of air resistance

Explain by comparing other mode of transport

Good points

Remarks

② HTT is safe to operate in eq. earth-quake quake region. hence ideal to use in seismic zone region.

Explain your point. ③ ← Energy efficient mode of travel.

④ Help in decongest road & urban area by making commutations fast & cheaper.

⑤ Though HTT is cheaper than that of bullet train, it is still an expensive than other mode of transport.

nicely explain Hence, its commercial viability need to be further understood. Also HTT route & roll out plan need to incorporate with last mile connectivity.

⑥ Hence, govt must come out by comprehensive policy & regulation to better roll out of technology. &

Q9. Owing to growing dependence on space resources, it is important for India to protect its critical space assets and infrastructure from possible threats. In this context, examine the need for a Space Security Policy in India. (10 Marks)

Space is a Global common and used by nation for social, economic and strategic purposes. Space provide resources like different orbit for satellite operation, outer planet, metals & resources etc.

owing to growing dependence of space resource, India need to protect its critical space assets & infrastructure.

~~from~~ ~~resources~~ like the dependence is shown in different area like ..

- ① Remote sensing & imaging satellite
- ② Banking & financial service
- ③ communication serup.
- ④ Military satellite
- ⑤ Inter planetary probe mission

Threat emerging & are -

- ① Anti satellite attack by any other nation
- ② Attack on communication satellite affecting military, economic, financial sectors

Relevant Point

Explain each point relating it with space technology

Remarks

Good  
 points

- ① attack from outspace debris, around 20000 large size debris present in outer space.
- ② Solar flare & other natural phenomenon
- ③ Militarization of space - see to cost 300 ~~500~~ military satellites present in space.

hence it is imperative for India to come up with space security policy like of us, china,

space security policy should be comprehensive in dealing all space related issues and services along with including space in military doctrine which include land, air, water & space warfare.

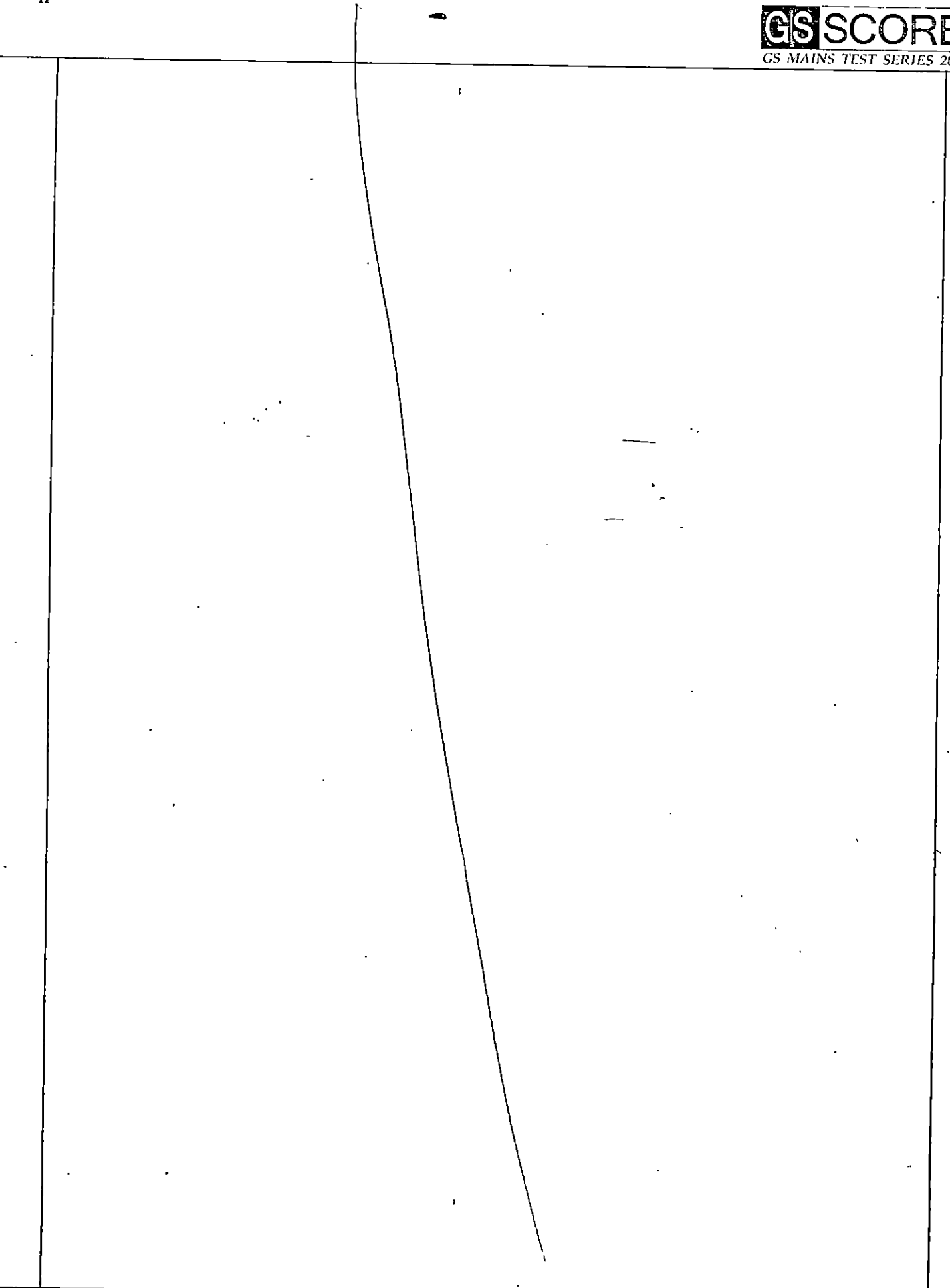
→ Illustrate some features that should be part of India's Space policy.

- Developing a legal architecture
- Developing Counter Space Capabilities

Remarks

Q10. Graphene was touted as "the next big thing". Many believe it could spell the end for silicon and change the future of computers and other devices forever. In this context, list out its potential applications. Discuss the challenges that are arising in the commercial use of Graphene. (10 Marks)

*Remarks*



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## Section - B

Q11. Environment Pollution Prevention and Control Authority (EPCA) recently recommended to the Supreme Court that Delhi's buses switch to H-CNG within the next two or three year. In this regard, what do you understand by Bio-CNG and HCNG? What are the advantages of Using H-CNG Vehicles? Also highlight the challenges. (15 Marks)

CNG is compressed natural Gas obtained from fossil fuel. It comprises primarily of methane gas around 97%. Bio-CNG is similar to CNG in composition around 95% pure methane.

It is obtained from renewable source from agriculture and food waste. Wood and products

HCNG is incorporation of hydrogen in CNG gas to increase H/C ratio in fuel and reduce GHG's.

Accordingly CNG is blended by hydrogen to around 18%.  
 Hydrogen Concentration is 18%

### Benefits

- ① It can reduce ~~emission~~ emission of carbon monoxide by 70%.
- ② It improve fuel efficiency in burning by improving H/C ratio of fuel.
- ③ little modification is required to make engine compatible to HCNG.

Add more points

Remarks

① HCNG reduces unburned hydrocarbon reducing  $\text{NO}_x$  emission.

### challenges

① Blending of hydrogen reduces energy content per volume of fuel.

② Expansion of HCNG vehicle without improving ~~sup~~ supply chain and infrastructure will be restricted.

③ Research required to find optimum level of hydrogen blending to CNG.

④ Small and medium vehicle may not be compatible for HCNG due to volatile ~~##~~ nature of hydrogen.

⑤ Blending of hydrogen in CNG can increase cost of fuel making public transportation costlier.

Remarks



Considering the challenges ICA  
 recommend use of HCNG limited to  
 Delhi-buses. Hence to expand use of  
 H-CNG to other mode of transport  
 more research and development need to  
 be done. Further engine should be made  
 compatible for efficient performance, infrastructure  
 related to H-CNG pump need to be  
 created for better transmission towards  
 H-CNG fuel.

Way forward:- HCNG has potential to  
 meet toughest diesel engine  
 EURO-V norms.

Remarks

Q12. Over-exploitation and loss of habitat is leading to the extinction of various plants, animals and microbial species. How is the Indian government attempting to tackle the issue?

(15 Marks)

According to the UNDP, India is one of the 17 most diverse countries in the world, with only 2.4% of total land, India host 7-8% of recorded species.

Every species of plant, animal and microbial species have it own niche in ecosystem and perform different ecological function in ecosystem. These are necessary for healthy and sustainable ecosystem.

Among the various threat like climate change, disaster; overexploitation and loss of habitat remain the most important threat.

Overexploitation and loss of habitat lead to reduction of food, prey for carnivorous, reduce breeding tendency of animal, loss of keystone species leading to mass extinction.

Remarks

It also increase wild and human conflict leading to death, poaching.

To conserve diverse species government of India took following step.

① legislative measure like Biodiversity Act 1988, wildlife protection Act 1972, Forest Act etc.

② ~~Project~~ Dedicated project like Project Tiger, Project Elephant, vulture conservation programme etc.

③ To control poaching and illegal trade, empowering wildlife crime control bureau

④ NGO's like wildlife trust of India, world wildlife fund etc.

⑤ Community participation like sacred grove, forest right act etc.

nicely analysed

Remarks

① Coastal Regulation Zones, Eco-sensitive zone, Tiger Reserve, forest Reserve to safeguard and conserve wildlife.

② Environment Impact Assessment to assess developmental project impact on the environment.

Hence to fulfill SDG and to mitigate climate change, conservation and safeguarding of Biodiversity is necessary.

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Remarks

Q13. The main factors contributing to urban air quality deterioration are growing industrialization and increasing vehicular pollution. Discuss the recent policy initiatives taken by the government in mitigating air pollution. (15 Marks)

WHO releases 15 most Air polluted cities out of which 13 cities are Indian.

India account for 30% of global <sup>pre mature</sup> death due to air pollution.

One of the main reason are growing industrialization and vehicular pollution.

Industries in cities mainly run through Thermal power plant which are the main source of sulphur dioxide and release of GHG.

Construction industries are responsible for increase of dust particles and increase of PM 2.5 and PM 10 particles. Other e.g of industries contributing to air pollution

Primarily vehicular pollution releases carbon monoxide and other green house

gases due to unburnt combustions

major cities in India are still

comply with BS III norm while

discuss about role of older vehicles in increasing vehicular pollution

Relevant Point

Remarks

Delhi follows BS IV norms.

Considering the size of air pollution specially in Urban India, Govt. of India took following step.

① Banning 10 year old diesel vehicle in NCR region.

② shifting from BS IV norm to BS VI norm for reducing carbon emission.

③ monitoring measure like National Ambient Air Quality Index, SAFAR, National Air quality Index, etc.

④ fasten push to C-vehicle and hybrid vehicle by FAME scheme.

⑤ Imposing ~~coal~~ carbon tax on coal based thermal power plant.

⑥ Establishing EPCA,

⑦ NITI Aayog "Breathe India" program.

⑧ Banning let coke & furnace oil

Remarks

Explain each of the point

Make these points self

explanatory

⊙ International collaboration with Netherlands  
in National Clean Air <sup>India</sup> programme.

World bank suggested that  
by 2050 50% of India reside in urban  
area. Hence there is need for sustain

effort to curb air pollution and shift

towards more greener and sustainable

means of industrialisation and mode of transport.

⊙

Q14. The Environment (Protection) Act was enacted in 1986 with the objective of providing for the protection and improvement of the environment. To what extent, the act has been able to live up to its mandate? (15 Marks)

*Remarks*



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*Remarks*

*Remarks*

Q15. "Nearly 30% perennial springs in the Himalayan region have dried up causing water scarcity in the Himalayan region". Discuss the issue in light of Shimla water Crisis and suggest the need to implement structural and non-structural solution.

(15 Marks)

Recently in 2018, Shimla has undergone acute water crisis causing it to restrict traveller and visitor in ~~the~~ city.

One of the major source of fresh water in Himalayan region are springs nearly amounting 70% of water need.

Elaborate the significance of Himalayan Spring well?

The reason for drying of spring

① Natural factor like less rainfall, tectonic activity leading to drying of river or spring etc.

② Anthropogenic factor like overexploitation, Deforestation which led to fall in water tables.

③ Encroachment of spring shed and lead to decrease water inflow to spring.

Discuss about NITI Aayog report in relation to the context

good

Remarks

① Global phenomenon like climate change, weakening of western disturbances, & melting of glaciers also affected springs.

This require both structural and non-structural solution.

Structural solution include ~~the~~ spring shed

development, <sup>check</sup> dams; water harvesting

technique for restoration of water.

Also building of moraines to containing glacier lake.

Here non-structural solution

like afforestation to mitigate climate change variabilities and to rejuvenate springs.

Other measure like behavior

change in demand of water.

Recycle and waste treatment of water.

Also sustainable agriculture practices

including reducing water use, fertilizer,

pesticide need to ~~be~~ taken up.

Briefly discuss each solution

Remarks

To successfully address the problem of drying of spring, we need to ensure development spring shed model of taking the entire ecological approach.

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Remarks

Q16. What do you understand by geo-engineering? Examine why North Eastern Monsoon brings less rainfall far below its actual potential and also critically discuss how geo-engineering can solve the problem. (15 Marks)

Geo-engineering is the emerging field in Engineering. In ~~at~~ this engineering technique are employed in altering the Geo climate such as solar radiation management, Green house gas removal etc.

Geo Engineering is seen as a potent technique to mitigate climate change. ~~the~~ technique like

Relevant points

- ① cloud brightening to increase albedo of cloud.
- ② Injecting aerosol to upper atmosphere to reflect back solar radiation.
- ③ space mirror, circus cloud thinning.
- ④ carbon sequestration to store excess carbon.
- ⑤ Ocean Acidification to increase carbon in Ocean.

Remarks

India receive monsoon in two phase one in south west monsoon and other in North east monsoon called as retreating monsoon. N-E monsoon cover <sup>some</sup> area of andhra pradesh and particularly Tamil Nadu.

However it bring less rainfall for below it is actual potential is evident in Chennai drought is mainly due to increase in relative humidity of air due to which it require more moisture for condensation.

This increase in relative humidity is due to warming of ocean mainly Bay of Bengal and wind blowing over it.

Geo Engineering can help to reduce ocean temperature by  $1-2^{\circ}\text{C}$

to decrease relative humidity of air and help in condensation.

Reveal  
concept  
of  
North  
East  
Monsoon  
Explain  
why  
there  
is  
low  
rainfall

Technique like Aerosol spraying,  
~~cloud brightening~~ cloud brightening & space mirror  
 can help to decrease temperature.

However, Geo engineering technique  
 is still in a research phase and

its long term impact need to be studied.

further for sustainable solution, climate  
 change mitigation measure need to be

enforce like afforestation, sustainable  
fishing practice to increase biomass in

Ocean, International collaboration,  
 etc.

Wood

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Remarks



Q17. Unregulated growth of urban areas without necessary infra-structural services and proper collection, transportation, treatment and disposal of solid wastes has resulted in increased pollution and health hazard from these wastes. Assess Swachh Bharat mission's efficacy on the matter. (15 Marks)

India have 30% population living in urban area which is expected to reach to ~~ca~~ 50% by 2050 {World bank}.

The unregulated urbanization which is manifested in growing slums, encroaching city drainage area, illegal construction ~~and~~ without necessary infrastructure and basic sanitation facility are major source of problem.

It has created major pollution source and health hazard.

⊙ without proper waste collection and waste segregation, it pollute both land & ~~soil~~ water.

⊙ unsustainable land fill ~~is~~ can lead to leaching of heavy metal & pollutant to water and may also vulnerable to fire adding air pollution.

Relevant Points

Remarks

Good

① Polluted water are responsible for major health hazard: If the pollutant will enter in food chain through crops and sea food causing major problem:

② In 2018, IIT Mumbai found plastic in salt. Plastic is also found in fish and other food source.

③ Metal & other pollutant by bio-magnification cause greater health hazard.

Considering this, Govt on October 2014 launch Aaroch Bharat mission for waste treatment and <sup>stop</sup> open defecation. The provision of it are follow

① It also for ~~water~~ waste collection & waste treatment.

② It also create infrastructure like piped drainage system & toilet bank for individual & community.

Remarks

- ⑥ It discourage open defecation.  
 ⑦ It call for waste segregation at source by providing blue & green dustbin.

However its efficacy have limited capacity of state for waste treatment, non-point source of pollution are still high etc. Elaborate limitations in waste segregation

Hence strengthening the capacity of state and active involvement of citizen are required. Rural, sustainable urban development with AMRUT, Rurban, smart city slum development need to be focused. Discuss role of e-waste Management guidelines

⑥

Q18. What is e-waste? A United Nations-affiliated group estimates that e-waste is growing faster than almost any other waste type. Examine how India can effectively manage its e-waste. Also briefly discuss the fresh rules that India recently brought in to govern the handling of electronic waste. (15 Marks)

*Good*  
 e-waste refer the electronics waste that are generated by obsolete machine, laptop, mobile & others. with the rapidly growing technology and advancement, the e-waste is said to growing faster rate compared to other waste.

Other reason for faster generation

of e-waste.

- ① Increase of income level and high consumption of individuals. Explain your point
- ② There are still large section where electronics is not yet reach to that extent. to more possibility of its use and waste.
- ③ More urbanization will result in more waste generation. / Make your point self evident

Remarks

In India e-waste generation is more rapidly grow by more developed state like Gujrat & Maharashtra.

India accounts of 4% of global e-waste which is likely to increase in near future.

Following step can be taken to

① manage e-waste

② To sustainably manage e-waste 3R's approach shall be used i.e. Reduce, Reuse & Recycle.

Reduce the generation of e-waste by efficiently using the technology.

Recycle the e-waste so that maximum resource recovery can be done.

In India e-waste account for 70% landfill suggesting poor recycling.

③ Increase R&D investment for better recovery from e-waste.

④ ~~Extend~~ Producer extended responsibility to ensure waste collection.

Discuss about adopting techniques of different countries like Israel recycles 80% of its

sewage water

① Educating citizen about e-waste & mode of discarding electronic device.  
 Accordingly Govt came up with e-waste rule which is incorporated

Discusses about

PRO & DRS for

channelizing e-waste

② ~~the~~ producer extended responsibility to collect waste.

③ collection center for collecting e-waste.

④ Training & increasing capability of ~~waste~~ workers.

However some challenges are that majority of e-waste are collected in informal sector and lack of comprehensive policy related to e-waste.

Hence, there is need and opportunity for Govt to formalise e-waste collection & processing sector which can help in reducing environmental degradation and provide economic benefit.

⑥

Remarks

Q19. With the view of Regulating the use of drones in India, Ministry of Civil Aviation recently announced guidelines on drones that will come into effect from 1 December 2018. In this regard, mention the key features of the "Drone Regulation 1.0". Also highlight the various non-military applications of drones. (15 Marks)

Drones are the unmanned flying aircraft which can be used in myriad of tasks ranging from military to non-military tasks.

Recently Ministry of Civil Aviation <sup>Discussed the role of Ministry of Civil Aviation in regulating drones</sup> announced guidelines to regulate civil drone activity.

① It classifies drone into Micro drone which can fly up to 50 ft, Mini drone up to 50 - 500 ft & Macro drone ~~up to~~ above 500 ft.

② It requires for mini & macro drone to take permission for fly.

③ It set up Digital sky platform for taking permission for fly. It also ensure "No permission No fly"

Write it in single point

① Regulation also ban flying over strategic location like high sea and airport etc.

Drones can be used in various non-military activities like,

Explain this point

① Tourism & Recreation activities :- Drones can be used to enhance the experience of individual.

② Public policy :- Drone can be used in better data collection & can help in data driven policy formulation. like in situation like floods etc. It help in better assessment of situation.

③ Public transport & logistics :- Drones can be effectively utilized for better traffic management & real time decongestion measures.

Drones can be utilised by providing deliveries by Amazon or Flipkart making more efficient & quick.

Relevant point



④ Environment Sensitiveness : Drone can be used in sensitiveness of biodiversity in Eco-sensitive zones. It can also be use in monitoring pollution level, cloud movement etc.

Good points

⑤ Law & order : Drone can be use in maintaining law & order situation, by real time monitoring of crowd movement enhancing the security of country.

Ministry of civil aviation has enacted that by regulating Drone activity there should be balance b/w Development activities & safeguarding security of nation

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Q20. What is Robotics? Highlight its applications in Automobile, Military applications, Health & Medicine, Agriculture, Space Exploration and Banking sector. Also mention the objectives of Robotics society of India. (15 Marks)

Relevant Intro.

Robotics is a advanced field of science which deal with design, construction and operation of robot which are computer connected.

It perform <sup>not clear</sup> automated <sup>not clear</sup> physical task which was earlier done by humans.

Robotics is developing field and have said to be various applications in different field: Application in:

### Automobile

① Robot can increase production with improved efficiency, accuracy & more speedy.

Well Explained ② It can transform automobile through Driverless cars & transport.

### Military Application

① Robots can replace soldier in difficult terrain which are responsible for casualties.  
like Desert, hilly snow covered terrain.

② Robots can be use in surveillance & data collection beyond the border.

Remarks

## Health & Medicine

- ① Robots can help in accurately operating surgery with precise damage.
- ② Nano robot can enhance drug delivery efficiency & efficacy.

## ③ Agriculture

- ④ Robots can help in better predict market yield, automated irrigation based on requirement of crop, pest management, weed management.
- ⑤ It help in soil based & requirement based agriculture i.e. custom agriculture.

## Space Exploration

- ⑥ Robot can help in inter planet space exploration & deep space mission.
- ⑦ They can help in in situ resource processing & data transfer.

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## Banking Sector

Robot can help in better operation efficiency by reducing cost of operation.

① It can predict or forecast market behaviour & loss profile of individual or Asset etc.

② Robot can help in big data analysis & Data mining.

According to real benefit of Robots Robotics society of India register in 2017. It objective are:

- ① It consolidate effort & R&D for better develop of Robotics
- ② Collaboration with diff agencies. not clear
- ③ Encourage Robotics & spread awareness.
- ④ Promote research, training, teaching related to Robotics.

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