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ETHICS, INTEGRITY AND APTITUDE

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Section - A

1. All the discourse of ethics ultimately is another facet of bureaucratic incompetence.
Analyse. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans: Ethics is a set of standard that the society places on itself. It guides the choice, action, behaviour of humans.

Ethics & Bureaucratic Incompetence

Bureaucracy is a body of appointed officials characterised by —

- ① Strict adherence to rules, regulations
- ② Specialised knowledge of laws & rules
- ③ Fixed Job span
- ④ Hierarchy
- ⑤ Rigid adherence to set framework.

Officials
better, also
discuss
importance
of
bureaucracy
with

This scheme of Bureaucracy as "Machine like system" defined by Max Weber has over a period of time breed incompetence reflected in

- ① Delays in record keeping & putting files

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- ② Inflexibility & Indifference to public needs.
 - ③ A complex of superiority (Babu or Brown Babus) Good analysis
 - ④ Sense of complacency - no fear of ouster. One of
 - ⑤ Top to Bottom approach in public service delivery. Councils of Govt.
 - ⑥ Lack of accountability & Transparency.
 - ⑦ Widespread corruption (Politician-Bureaucrat-Business man nexus) with complicity
- To make the Bureaucracy Competent by
- bidding it of the above ills, Ethical conduct is being emphasized upon in the form of -

- ① Ethical Code of Conduct
- ② Code of ethics
- ③ Recommendations of Administrative Reforms Commission
- ④ NITI Aayog's report on Good governance
- ⑤ Compilation of best practices (International experiences)

Elaborate each of these in brief.

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Yet, no effective and visible change there is

in sphere of "ethical governance".

Way forward [2nd ARC Recommendations]: -

- ① Abolish Article 311 to remove protection to dishonest officials
- ② Amend RTI Act to protect honest officers.
- ③ Define "public service values" objectively & punish for violations.

Remarks

(Too many points. Analyse & Refine)

Autonomous civil services board for transfer promotion of civil servants to end of contract tenure.

2. Explain with examples how whistleblowing is both an ethical and unethical act if seen in different perspectives? (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans: Whistleblowing is the act of exposing the wrongdoing in government projects, offices or activities. Indian parliament enacted the whistleblower protection act (2014) to protect the people who risk personal well being to expose such wrongdoings.

Good intro

whistleblowing as Unethical

- ① Leak of classified date by Edward Snowden has threatened US national security as it leaked methods of intercepting terror related communications deployed in Afghanistan (US dept of state's disclosure). It has severely weakened US's counter war on terror efficacy in apprehending the suspects & nabbing the accused.

- ② Leak of data that threatens national security. For example Rafale deals full details were published in newspaper (The hindu)

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(3) leak of information that may threaten public interest.

Whistleblowing As ethical

① When Information pertains to financial regulations.

② Whistleblower exposes acts of corruption.

Information pertains to

③ Safety of public infrastructure i.e. collapse of bridges if faulty equipment is being used in siphoning off the sanctioned money.

④ People's right to privacy is in danger. Snowden's case, US govt was spying on American Citizens as part of its surveillance program. Citizens ought to know that Govt. is spying on them in a progressive country.

Whistleblowing must be encouraged to expose wrong doing affecting Public welfare but

restrictions such as security, Sovereignty of state etc

need to be imposed for safeguarding "maximum benefit of the max. number"

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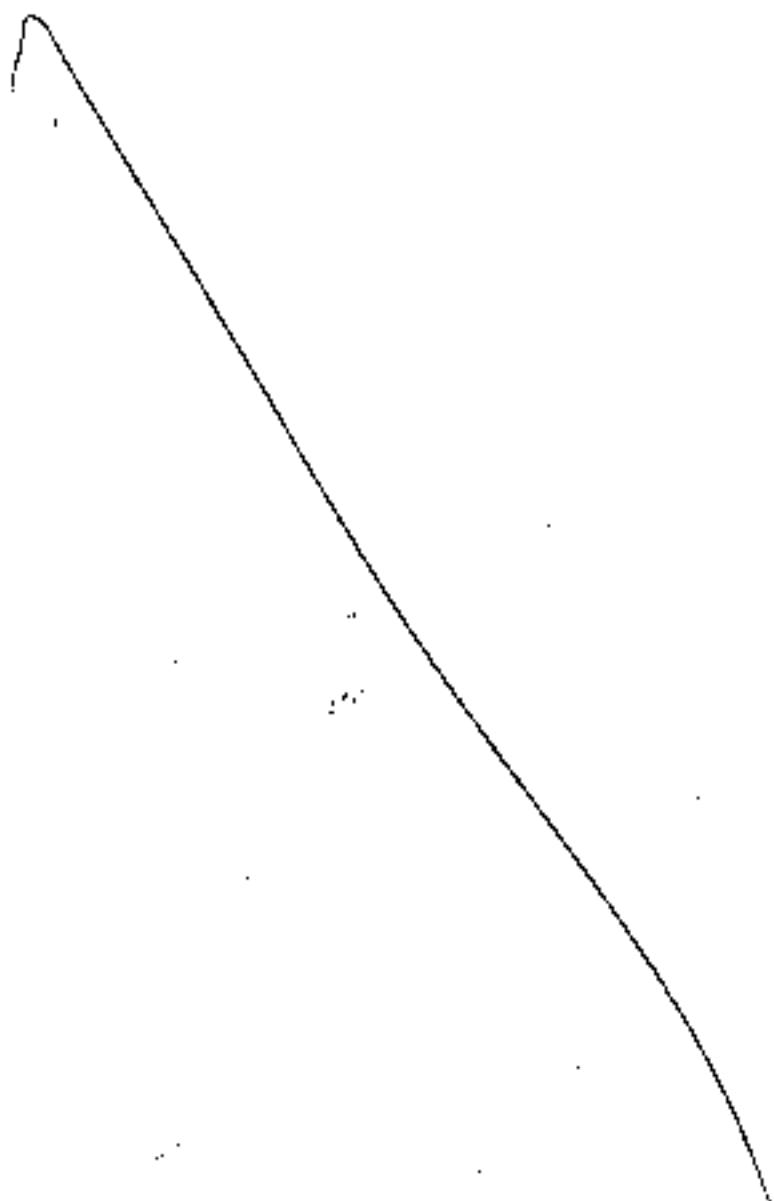
3. As organization is made up of human resource, hence social constraints & culture play a more important role than the mere management principles. How can integration between the two be introduced in an organization to maintain a healthy work culture?

(150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans:

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Remarks

4. Without leadership from the top, any attempt to achieve major ethical reforms in an organization is bound to fail. In light of this statement, elaborate on the leadership role displayed by Lee Kuan Yew in Singapore. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans: A leader is a person who influences the people by his conduct such that they begin to follow him / her.

Ethical reforms in the organisation & Role of

Leadership — The saying "Yatha Raja Patrike Prave" is popular in Indian Ethical discourse. People are likely to copy the conduct of the king. Hence, reforms must follow from the top but with cooperation of the people
— in light of the ground realities.

Justification ① Acceptance of corrupt politicians as elected representatives — validates petty corruption among common man

- leads to degraded erosion of morality
- people like how politicians enjoy even after doing Fodder, 2G and Coal Scams.

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Ques 3
Ans 3

Need not emphasize India's aspect if not asked in this Qs.

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2nd ARC recommendations to ensure ethical conduct among top wings of governance

- ① Amend RPA act 1951, section 8 to disqualify the accused in heinous crimes from contesting.
- ② Being MCA & MP's under RTI as "public authorities"
- ③ Allow State funding of elections (Venkatchalliah Commission recommended)
- ④ Define 'public service values' and punish ~~for~~ deviant civil servants.
- ⑤ Institute National Judicial Council to investigate case of unethical conduct in judiciary
- ⑥ Ombudsman (at local level), Lokpal (national) Lokayukta (state) ~~level~~ be established to ensure ethical governance.
- ⑦ Ethics Commissioner in Parliament to oversee ~~the~~ unethical behaviour of ~~the~~ MP's.

Lee Kuan Yew ~~is~~ is called the father of Singapore for having led the country from a underdeveloped nation to a tiger economy in the South East Asia. → Need to emphasize the role displayed by Lee

Kuan Yew. A ^{positive} ~~positive~~ of his leadership.

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5. For the proper maintenance of law and order, a policeman should consider himself as a citizen with uniform and a citizen as a policeman without uniform. Discuss.
 + (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans: Police is mandated to ensure peaceful conditions in society by ridding it of crime & violence.

Citizen in Uniform

citizens are more aware of problems in their area, such as

- who indulges in crime
- how crime unfolds
- who is the most vulnerable
- where is crime most likely to take place
- that proceedings against criminals should be swift
- that complaint (s) must be registered instantly
- that police needs to be humane & cordial while dealing with us

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When a policeman factors in all these, he may act like a citizen in uniform which is crucial to maintain law & order in society.

Citizen as policeman without uniform

- General tendency of policeman to behave rudely with public
- Extraction of money from vendors
- If a person exhibits ~~not~~ superiority over others It's actually how a person can reflect his sincerity towards government to notice all these & in their court policeman becomes the biggest criminals. Whenever their excesses get too much, public ~~at~~ ^{at} up roar is likely.

eg → Public = police hostility in aftermath of violence against a tempo driver in Nukherjee nafar.

Police should be sensitive to citizens needs ~~not~~ a force to invoke fear in them.

You
deem
have
misunder
etc
this
concept

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6. Differentiate between treating a work 'as a career' and 'as a calling'. How would you like to treat your aspiration of becoming a civil servant? (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans: Work as a 'Career' means duty performed by person to earn money to live a dignified life.

Work as a 'calling' means doing service as a result of the awareness that the person owes something to society. As a calling, work is meant to serve people not earn money as the prime objective.

My Aspiration of becoming a Civil Servant

is quite by both.

- ① As a Career - Civil Services is a great choice
- * Ensures dignified existence
 - * Prestige in Society
 - * diversified work Areas.

- ② As a Calling - ① It offers the following benefits:-

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- give back to the country that gave us everything
- to just not be mute spectators & passive critics of administration
- to work for the welfare of the poor, weak, elderly, disabled & marginalized.
- to set an example for others that no dream is too big
- to ensure transparency in govt functioning
- for effective implementation of welfare programs
- for int'l identifying the problem & advising the elected representatives about the need for new legislations & policies

Good

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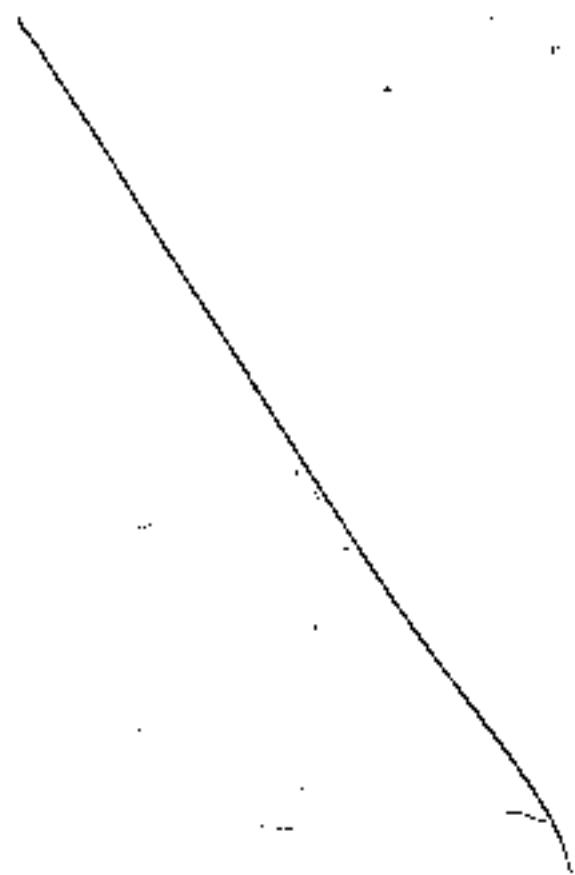


There's no harm in pursuing one's career objectives - progression, advancement & self fulfillment but all these should not come at the cost of public interest.

7. There has been surge of interest in spirituality both at the personal level and at the workplace. What is spirituality? Do you think there is a relationship between productivity and spirituality?
(150 Words) (10 Marks)

Remarks

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Remarks

8. What do you mean by honesty? How this value will help you to become a good Civil Servant?
 (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans! Honesty is quality of being truthful, An honest person is less likely to steal or lie.
It includes being upright, sincere, free of malice etc.
Honesty to become Good public servant

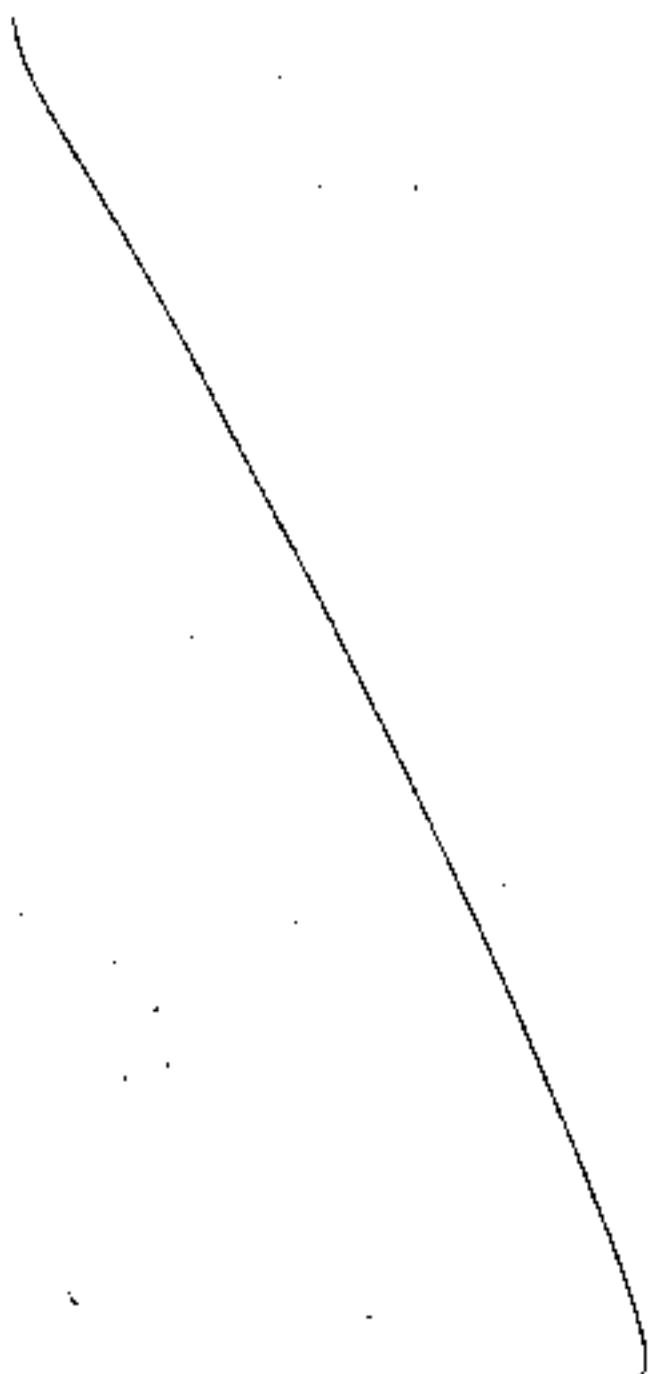
- ① Improves trust of people in Governance.
- ② Lead by example, my team of Subordinates
- ③ Effective discharge of my duties guided by spirit of service not lieu of money.
- ④ will emphasize transparency in official transactions
- ⑤ will promote accountability - of being answerable for exercise of discretionary authority.
- ⑥ Affect economy in govt. expenditure by emphasising ^{frank & frank} fair dealing.
- ⑦ will be less likely to suspicious thus reduce ^{for} the delay in govt. works.

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- ⑧ will set an example of good civil servants who is working for people's good & not for money.
- ⑨ will remove the image of 'Babu being very corrupt' from minds of public.
- (32)
- honesty is indeed the best policy & need to be the creed of every Indian to bring in 'Ram Rajya' - the dream of the nation.
- (1)

9. Dedication and motivation can get people far in life. Motivation turns into dedication and dedication turns into success. List the steps needed to keep the civil servants motivated to achieve the welfare of the society. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

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10. Outside obligation on the public servant to be ethically and morally correct fails to improve ethics in public service, rather the conscience of an individual needs to been enlightened. What steps will you take to enlighten your conscience for acting ethically correct while in service? (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans: Aristotle said " Good people don't need laws to tell them to behave ethically while bad people will always find a way around -the laws "

Outside obligation on public servants

to be ethical & moral is thus of limited use only. Mention some of those obligations like: RTI Act, Lokpal Act, Prevention of corruption Act etc. Conscience of the individual is more permanent remedy against unethical conduct because when laws fail, ethics guard society as they are embedded in human conscience.

Steps to enlighten myself conscience to act ethically

- Follow the ideals of liberty, equality, fraternity as social justice as enshrined in the constitution.

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→ Discuss reasons of their limitation
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- ② Always emphasize on values of compassion towards the weak & marginalised.
- ③ Be guided by spirit of the fundamental rights & duties.
- ④ Always adhere to ethical code of conduct as enshrined in civil service conduct rules and imbibe the values of -
 - Efficiency
 - Patriotism
 - Transparency
 - Accountability
 - dedication to public service
 - Spirit of Service
 - probity
 - honesty
 - Integrity etc.

(2)

This will ensure that my conduct as civil servant leads to "Anyadhyay": welfare of the last man standing.

Remarks

11. What do you understand by 'Compassion' in the context of public service? How is Dehumanization as a key principle of Weber's bureaucracy different from Compassion?
 (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans: Compassion means special consideration for the poor, weak, marginalised & disadvantaged people in heart of the individual.

Good ^{Ans}

In Context of public service

public servant must empathise & sympathize with the disadvantaged & less fortunate & go out of the way to alleviate their sufferings.

Dehumanisation & Compassion

Weber's Concept of 'machine like Bureaucracy'
void of any feelings, free from any bias, guided only by rules, regulation has been severely criticised in the 21st century.

Weber says feelings tends to interfere with objective discharge of official duties & is not advisable.

Remarks → Need to emphasize more on Weber's dehumanization respect

However, in the 21st century, the concept of New Public Administration has become popular that —

- ① Recognises "Citizens" as the centre of all govt functions
 - ② ^{emphasizes} compassion is must because inflexibility on work among machines - not living humans characterized by differences of —
 - caste (SC, ST)
 - physical ability (disabled)
 - religion (minority - underdeveloped i.e. muslims) ^(Sachar report)
 - Gender (women more vulnerable socio-economically)
 - ③ Recognises the role of state as "welfare state" that doesn't merely roll out services like electricity, water, roads, transport but works for human development
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- ④ Emphasizes that Weber's democracy in particular is ill suited to developing nations where population is not homogeneous.
so, Compassion towards the weak is essentially to ensure "Sabka Bath Sabka Vikes"

Remarks

12. What is implied by the word "public" in public administration? Relate the meaning of corruption with deviation in above understanding of "public".

(150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans:- Public means what belongs to all citizens in general and is not the exclusive belonging of a private individual.

Public administration implies management of government functions as part of public service delivery.

Corruption & deviation in "public"

Corruption according to Prevention of Corruption Act implies - ① Misuse of official position for personal gain

② Abruse of authority

③ Misappropriation of funds

Corruption as deviation in "public"

① ~~system~~ Reduces money available with govt. to spend on public welfare.

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- ② creates have & have nots.
- ③ spawns the production of articles of luxury while the poor suffer for food, clothing, shelter.
- ④ Black money (evasion from tax authorities) —
- robs society of ethical values
 - reduces pool of funds for infrastructure
 - ^{resulting} poor condition of public utility - roads, bridges, railways, schools etc.
- ⑤ creates negative perception of the country among investors, lesser FDI flows in, resulting in —
- lesser jobs
 - idle youth, more crime
 - low human development

- ⑥ creates general indifference in public servants towards citizen's welfare

^{against} zero tolerance against corruption is essential to build an ethically sound society & usher in make "New India". Suggest measures to realize public interest.

Remarks

13. "Justice must satisfy the appearance of justice". Do you find this injunction worth following? Should public perception be allowed to influence the delivery of justice? Bring contrasting examples to substantiate your point. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Ans: Justice implies treating everyone ^{equally} without discrimination & upholding each individual's rights. Mahatma Gandhi said that Justice should not only be done but also seen to be done.

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Is it worth following?

Yes Because ① Perceived injustice may lead to public agitation.

② Example Article 370 removal

Court's stand: It will bring prosperity in Kashmir

Opposition: Liberty of people is being curbed

Outcome: The perceived injustice to Kashmiris is being ~~and~~ likely to trigger terror attacks from across the border.

Should public perception be allowed to influence the delivery of justice?

No ① Public is likely to be biased.

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② Public is not expert in justice system, the Courts & tribunals are.

③ Mere perception can be based on rumours, fake news, will lead to injustice. Then. Good

Yes: Ultimately it is the public that is the sufferer or beneficiary from justice delivery.

- too harsh punishment can invoke either fear or more delinquency

- too light punishment can cause more lawlessness

Contrasting Examples

Prosecution of 26/11 attackers Ajmal Kasab

→ widespread appeal for immediate hanging among Indian public

→ Govt however took 8 years to hang him.

→ Reason:- Justice must be done, so that no objection could be raised on fairness of Indian Justice System.

→ Public perception: However ensured that he got highest punishment possible, any lesser would have affected public opinion.

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Section - B

In the following questions carefully study the cases presented and then answer the question that follows:

14. Although India is amongst the fastest growing economies in the world, it still has one-third of the world's illiterates. India, being a mixed economy, needs government intervention in the area of education because education driven by profit motive cannot benefit the masses. More Indian children are in school than ever before, but the quality of government schools has sunk to spectacularly low levels. The children in these schools come from the poorest of families - those who cannot afford to send away their young to private schools elsewhere. India has had a legacy of weak schooling for its young, even as it has promoted high-quality government-financed universities. In light of the grim picture of public schooling in India, suppose you are a District Collector and a group of poor people approach to make you aware about the pathetic conditions of public schools in their areas. They handed you a letter that contains five problems regarding the dismal state of schools, i.e., lack of hygienic toilet facility, especially for girls as there are common toilets only, non-availability of clean drinking water, lack of proper security, absentee teachers and rude behavior of teachers and staff with the students. Because of such problems, often parents are not sending their children. Dropout rate is also high. Your Education Minister also expects something concrete from you as he has to answer the local public and media about this issue. With respect to such problems, how will you go about providing solutions so that your action may become example for others to learn?

(250 Words) (20 Marks)

Solution: As the district collector, it is my duty to uphold the right to education of children ^{as per} (Article 21 A).

In the present case, the school infrastructure and teacher's behaviour is to be improved for ensuring

- quality education
- curbing students absence & drop outs from school.

I will take the following steps:

- ① Organise a Random check / Inspection of all the govt.

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schools in the Area.

② In these inspections —

- * Audit of the school infrastructure,
- * Checking the teachers attendance registers:
- * Feedback from students etc would be emphasized upon.

③ After having mapped the problems afflicting the schools, A meeting of all school headmasters shall be arranged where in —

- * the reasons behind such state of affairs shall be discussed
- * financial assistance shall be extended to those who report lack of funds to maintain the school infrastructure.
- * warning shall be given against absentee teachers i.e fines, suspension etc if not found in school on working days.

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- * If any misappropriation / diversion of already extended funds is reported, then action would be taken against the concerned school authorities.
 - * Need for Conducting Workshops for teachers in 'dealing in humane' way with students. would be emphasized.
- (4) After the meeting, One month time would be given to the school authorities to make the necessary changes.
 - (5) Surprise inspections during and after the said period shall be conducted to oversee the progress made.
 - (6) Online complaint mechanism shall be instituted for students to lodge complaints with district education officer if school doesn't listen to their complaints.
 - (7) Best schools shall be rewarded to inspire others to follow good practices.
 - (8) Police personnel will be specially instructed to increase patrols around the school premises during arrival & exit of students.

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Moral policing can be promoted in this regard.

15. You are the head of an ambitious road project and have been authorized by the government to make an 8-lane highway from the existing 4-lane. The widening of the road includes acquiring small holdings of poor people and cutting thousands of existing trees. Government justifies the project because of its utility/economic growth/and overall development of the area. There are thousands of poor people and environmentalist who are opposing the project. Ponder over the situation and answer the following questions.

- What actions can be taken. Also, what is the justification you can give to address the concerns of those who oppose the project?
- What are the ethical/moral issues involved in your decision/action, and how would you justify your decision?
- What is an alternative course of action with merits and demerits which one can take so as to prevent the land acquisition and cutting of trees.

(250 Words) (20 Marks)

Ans: Developmental Projects often lead to environmental degradation & displacement of people. A Balance has to be struck between development and sustainability.

① Action that can be taken

② With respect to the poor people -

- ① Offer attractive compensation for land acquisition.

② Arranging similar plots in some residential Area

③ For owners of road side small shops, who lose their livelihood out of such expansion -

- Skill development programs can be arranged.

(a lot of sanctioned funds be spent on this issue)

- Govt. can assist them in getting more productive jobs on preferential basis.

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- (4) Govt. can offer temporary residence till such displaced people purchase their own land with the given money
- (5) PM Awas Yojana's beneficiary led construction "assistance" can be extended to them with respect to environmentalists

View ① Primary grievance of the environmentalists is tree cutting.

Job ② As the project head, I will:

- * organise a meeting with environmentalists
- * assure them of translocation of trees wherever possible
- * if since translocation is not possible for all trees, same type of trees can be planted in some other area.

These steps will ensure that the task of road widening, which is necessary to ease congestion & further the transportation, is carried out while also addressing the stakeholders' grievances.

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(B) Moral issues in this case are -

- * The plight of poor people who shall be displaced by the project.
- * Deforestation shall further increase warming & climate change, pollution etc.
- * Road widening is essential for logistical efficiency (to improve ease of doing business).
- * My personal competence as a problem solver is also at stake.

Justification: Development, though does environmental damage & displace people but has to done anyways. At best, efforts can be taken to mitigate the impact by actions listed in option part (a) of the answer.

(C) A

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16. You are a middle-ranked officer in the Ministry known for your honesty and integrity. You find that the Private Secretary of the Minister suggests you to deal with certain matter in a particular way. When you tell him that the suggestion is against Government rules, he confirms that this is the desire of the Hon. Minister. Following options come in your mind to deal with the problem.

- Ask the Private Secretary (P.S.) to confirm in writing.
- Meet your senior officer and seek his suggestion and guidance.
- Refuse the offer of Private Secretary and stick to rules only.
- Bring the matter into records and suggest that rules be changed to accommodate the views of Minister.

Critically evaluate each option and suggest the best options with justifications.

(250 Words) (20 Marks)

Ans: As a public servant, my duty is to obey the orders of superiors but not when the orders are illegal and threaten public interest.

① Ask the private secretary to confirm in writing

Merkit: The private secretary, if lying ~~will be~~ about ~~the~~ minister's consent in the illegal work, shall not insist again.

It will absolve me of any penal action as I can show evidence to enforcement authorities.

③ The secretary's written document can be shown to the ~~the~~ minister to ascertain his complicity.

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Demerit ① Secretary may not give in writing but still pressure him to do the work.

② The ~~same~~ minister can either get him transferred to insignificant posting or downgrade my appraisal for not obliging him (if he is complicit) (good analysis)

(b) Meet my senior officer & seek guidance

Merk: ① Given the benefit of experience of similar situations (he might have faced too)

Demerit: ① Superior may also suggest obliging the minister for fear of consequences.

(c) Refuse the offer & stick to rules

Merk: ① This is in compliance with laws, rules & regulations of public service.

② This is also being ethical

Demerit ① Fear of ~~or~~ unfavourable action by minister can't be ruled out

① Bring the matter to record, suggest rules be changed to accommodate the minister's view

→ this option is most appropriate because

① Rules need to keep changing to accommodate newer requirements of administration

~~Good~~ ② If the work being asked for is not illegal, ~~there is no harm in it~~ or it doesn't violate public welfare principle, there is no harm in making changes to the rules.

However, it will not be suitable to effect such changes in the rules that will adversely affect public interest.

Therefore, it is important to -

- take the order in writing
- also deliberate with all concerned on nature of work being sought
- take final decision after cross checking with what is legally permissible.

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17. A private company is known for its employee welfare. This company has a big manufacturing base in NCR. More than 5000 people work in this manufacturing unit of the company. Since the company has a cooperative character, employees have voluntarily decided ~~not to form any union and~~ use pressure tactics on the management for any demand. However, the local politician always creates pressure on the management to accommodate their men in different types of jobs. But the management is not very comfortable with such demands and often denies to oblige since the company is known for its efficiency and transparency and it is difficult for them to hire local people merely on the basis of party affiliation. One day, more than 100 local people enter into the management office and demand for jobs. Since the management declined their demand, the local politician also stepped-in and threatened the top officials using foul language. All local people sat inside the company and refused to leave the premise until they got jobs. The company maintains high standards in integrity and does not extend favours to political parties, civil administration, including the law enforcement agency.

Assume you are the CEO of the company.

(a) What would you do to diffuse the volatile situation?

(b) What could be the long-term solution to the issue discussed in the case? Every solution/action that you suggest will have a positive and a negative impact on you (as CEO), the employees and the performance of the employees. Analyse the consequences of each of your suggested actions. (250 Words) (20 Marks)

Ans! As the CEO of the company, my duty is
 → to maintain peace in the factory premises
 → ensure the safety of my workforce -
 → ward off any disturbance to smooth functioning
 of the factory.

a) Diffusing the Situation

- ① first priority is to get the local people to vacate the premises. So, I will ask them to
 - give a formal application for jobs
 - convince them that as and when vacancy

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arises, they will be accommodated.

This is to pacify them else they may turn violent & cause loss to Company's property & threaten the staff. It will give me some time to call in the police to deal with them.

Very
good

Besides, the local politician should be told that the decision of recruitment lies with management & not me the CEO, But I will try my best to accommodate your people (This will be to just keep them calm or else he may instruct his people to break in prison & rioting)

It is likely that -

- (a) They will leave the premises
- (b) In the meantime, police ~~will~~ arrive to control them.

(b) Long term solutions

→ for such law and order issues —

* CCTV cameras should be installed in the premises.

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- * A well armed platoon of CISF ~~should~~ be sought to guard the premises against forced entry.
- * Management should be requested to engage with the top leaders of political parties to ~~get~~ ^{call for} control their lower cadres against disrupting ^{civil} peace in company's premises.
- * To pacify the locals, a set of jobs be awarded to them on the basis of skill & competence.
- * To win hearts of the people in the Area, the company may invest in building social infrastructure such as schools, hospitals, roads etc. It will ensure that locals consider it their duty to let the company function smoothly as it cares for their welfare.

All these steps are likely to bring lasting peace for the Company & locals. However, the political leader's tendency to provoke locals into attacking the premises again can't be curbed permanently.

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18. There is a senior police officer, whose only daughter is going to be married. The police officer is very honest and upright and does not want to enter into any controversy, especially on the occasion of his daughter's marriage. On the wedding day, the officer notices that a notorious politician-cum-criminal has come to the officer's residence uninvited. Before the police officer could spot him, he stood up and said that he had just come to bless his daughter. Under this situation, the police officer is in a fix as what to do?

Some of the options are given below. Evaluate the merits and demerits of each of these options and finally suggest what course of action the police officer should take (without necessarily restricting to the options below), giving proper reasons.

- The police officer should politely ask the uninvited politician to leave the place.
 - He should call his daughter and allow the politician to bless her and there after tell him to go.
 - He should not take notice of the presence of the politician and allow the function to continue.
 - Depute some policemen to keep an eye on him and brief him regularly (every 10 minutes) about his activities.
 - Explain to those present including some media people that he is unwanted here and has come uninvited.
- (250 Words) (20 Marks)

Ans (a) Asking him to leave

merit ① It will save my name from being associated with a criminal

② Media's tendency to create scandals out of the story shall be ruled out

demerit ① He may not oblige me.

② He may have deliberately come to the marriage to spoil my image by writing the media.

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(b) Allow to bless & leave

merit: ① will ensure my daughter's wedding is not disrupted.

demerit: ① what if respected guests in the wedding recognise him & doubt my character while he blesses her, media coverage to scandalise the gesture can't be ruled out.

(c) He should take notice & let him stay

merit ① Since, he has just come to bless not to disrupt (as he says)

demerit ① A criminal's intention can't be predicted
 ② I can't risk his stay, it will spoil my reputation if others recognise him.

(d) Depute policemen & brief ~~reputably~~

merit ① This will ensure timely action to make the politician leave (as he is being noticed for his actions).

Remarks

demerit ① It may annoy the politician, that his word is not trusted by the media.

② He may deliberately try to create nuisance.

(e) Media being told

merit :- ① media ^{has} tendency to cover such issues to create sensationalism - they may not do so if they are taken into confidence.

Demerit ① Media may feel that I am just trying to hide my association with the criminal by lying to them.

Myself In order to ensure that my daughter's wedding goes on smoothly & my honesty is also not put to question, I will at once ask the politician to ~~come with me~~ bless my daughter in a space away from public view and then politely request him to leave by explaining how media can create stories ^{out} of such events. Since the politician has already said he's just to bless, he is likely to leave after doing so.

Remarks

19. There is a 14 year old boy studying in class IX. He lives with his parents. His father is an Excise Superintendent, in charge of different excise outlets, besides being the Head of the District Excise Office. His father returns home in drunken condition practically every evening. He also notices that his father brings money every day and puts it inside the Almirah. The boy reads various stories about corruption in the newspaper and at a relatively younger age has developed a repulsion for the same.

- Bring out and discuss the ethical issues involved in the above case.
- What will be the appropriate way of expression by the boy to convey the feeling to his father? (250 Words) (20 Marks)

Ans 1. Corruption is a threat to ethically sound society. It must be eliminated to ensure public welfare.

(a) Ethical Issues

- The boy hates corruption, he may develop hatred for his father too.
- corruption is unethical, illegal.
- Difference in opinion among family members weaken the bonds of love & togetherness.
- Father earns for family but family doesn't want such earning.

(b) Appropriate way to expression by the boy

① He should approach his father when he is not drunk, it is in happy mood preferably his birthday or when father will fully chooses to spend some time with him on holidays.

② He should tell his father that he himself is happy with whatever facilities his father can arrange for him out of his genuine income.

③ The boy can also talk to his mother about the ill gotten money. He can tell her

→ that corruption is illegal

→ if his father gets caught red handed, he will be

imprisoned & attract Penalty also, besides being

the subject of relatives ridicule & humiliation

④ Boys' mother should be convinced by him with following arguments & then be asked to talk

to his father about what the son thinks of
his everyday bribery.

After knowing that the family for
whom he commits the crime every day denounces
it, he is unlikely to continue doing the same



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