## GUESSTIMATES

How to Answer Guesstimate interview questions

### WHAT IS GUESSTIMATE?

**Guesstimate interview questions** involve asking candidates to guess or estimate a number based on limited context and information

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### **FOR EXAMPLE**

Questions like, "how many barbers are present in the city of Lucknow?". In answering, candidates are expected to provide approximate figures that are believable, and more importantly, justifiable through an explanation of the method used to arrive astusuch a figure

# STEPS INVOLVED IN ANSWERING GUESSTIMATE QUESTIONS

- ASK FOR CLARIFICATIONS Clarify any confusion that you have regarding the question
- BREAK DOWN THE QUESTION Break down the question in granularities and then try to solve
- JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWER Provide reason behind the answer by logical approaches

### **CRUCIAL PARAMETERS**

- Structured Thinking: This helps you to have clarity of approach and helps in thinking logically
- Clear Communication: Keep the 3Vs in mind: Voice,
  Veracity, and Vocabulary. Stay composed and explain every step that you worked on
- Smart Creativity: Create your own narrative to make modest assumptions, but be rational in your approach.

# WHAT TO AVOID WHEN TACKLING GUESSTIMATE INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- When dealing with large numbers, don't keep fractions or decimals in their original format, but feel free to round them off to the nearest figure
- Never scribble or try to chalk out your answer on the main sheet provided; always use a rough sheet for such purposes
  - Avoid covering up your shortcomings in calculation or reasoning with complicated language or a false sense of confidence

#### FEW QUESTIONS TO PRACTICE

- How many cups of coffee was consumed in Delhi last month?
- How many Tv are sold in India in the year 2020?
- How many nests are there in your city?
- · How many iPhone are currently being used in India?
- How much paint is utilized in painting every house in Mumbai?
- How many people smoke in India

## Thank - You