

Chapter: Ps 5

Q.1 Choose the right option and rewrite the sentences. (PS)

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- 1** The major challenge faced by all democratic nations in the world is
a. Religious conflicts b. Naxal activities
c. Deepening the roots of democracy d. Importance to muscle power

Ans The major challenge faced by all democratic nations in the world is **Deepening the roots of democracy.**

- 2 In a democracy participate in elections and get political power.
- a. political parties b. courts
- c. social organisations d. none of the above

Ans In a democracy **political parties** participate in elections and get political power.

Q.2 State True or false with reasons. (PS)

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- 1** People may lose confidence in the democratic process due to corruption during elections.

Ans True

Government's working capacity is reduced due to corruption at the political and administrative levels. People develop distrust and dissatisfaction about the entire governmental system due to delay in government work and financial blunders.

- 2** Alertness is required to sustain democracy.

Ans True

Just to adopt democracy does not bring democracy into practice alert and conscious efforts are required to sustain democracy.

- 3** Importance of the problems of farmers and tribals has increased in the left extremist movement.

Ans False

In the Naxalete movement the importance of the problems of farmers and tribal people has reduced. Naxalism began as a movement to remove injustice against aggressive landless farmers and tribal people.

Q.3 Explain the following concept / Short Notes.(PS)

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- ## 1 Corruption:

Ans In India the extent of corruption is said to be very high in the public sector. Government's working capacity is reduced due to corruption at the political and administrative levels. People develop distrust and dissatisfaction about the entire governmental system due to delay in governmental work, poor public services and facilities and different financial blunders. Corruption in the electoral process, bogus voting, bribing the voters, abducting the voters and such other things reduces people's confidence in the democratic process.

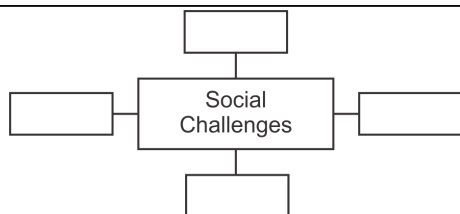
- ## 2 Left – Extremism – Naxalism

Ans Naxalism is a major problem in India. Naxalism began as a movement to remove injustice against aggressive landless farmers and tribal people. But today Naxalism has become a violent struggle. In the Naxalite movement the importance of the problems of farmers and tribal people has reduced. Instead, violent measures to oppose the government policies, attacking the police forces and such other tactics are used by the Naxalite groups.

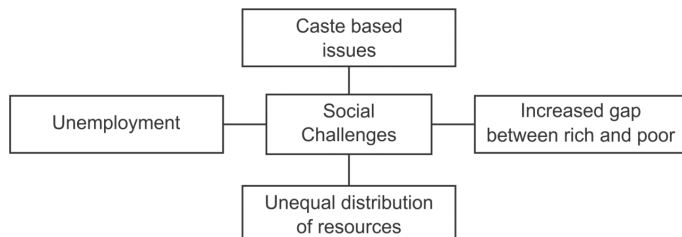
Q.4 Complete the given concept map (PS)

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Ans



Q.5

Answer the following in detail (PS)

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1 Which factors are required for the success of democracy in India?

- Ans** i Majority opinion has a lot of importance in Democracy. In a democracy, Political party getting majority of votes comes to power. Parliament takes all decisions by majority. Democracy aims at the welfare of majority of people. When the importance is given to majority it is possible that injustice may be done to those who are marginal and who are in minority. Though democracy is a government by majority, minorities should also be included in the process of decision making. It is the duty of government to take into consideration the interests of minorities. In short, in democratic government everyone's opinion should be considered important. Similarly majority government should not be the government of majority community. All religious, linguistic, ethnic and caste groups should get equal opportunity to participate in the decision-making process.
- ii. Judiciary in India is seen to be making conscious efforts to make political process transparent. To prevent criminalisation of politics, judiciary has adopted measures like strict punishment to criminals and prohibiting criminals from participating in political process.
- iii. To make democracy successful in India, it is not just sufficient to make efforts at the level of government, administration and judiciary. Everyone at social and individual level should make conscious efforts towards it. Education for All campaign, Clean Bharat campaign, Gram Samruddhi Yojana, Self-help Groups, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme and such other projects are undertaken at the level of Government and Administration. To increase political participation of women, 50% seats are kept reserved in local selfgoverning institutions.
- iv. To make Indian democracy truly successful, it is essential to increase participation of people at all levels. If such participation increases especially at the level of the government it will help in changing public policies. Public policies are made through interaction with the people. Interaction with those who are not in power is also important for the success of democracy. The values of equality, liberty, social justice, secularism should be respected and implemented even in our personal life. For the success of democracy, everyone should keep in mind that we are responsible citizens of the nation.

2 What are the effects of criminalization of politics?

Ans Increased participation of criminals in political process is another serious problem for democratic systems. Sometimes political parties give candidature to people having a criminal background, facing criminal allegations and allegations of corruption. This increases the role of money and muscle power in politics. This may also lead to violence during elections.

3 What efforts are undertaken to bring transparency in political process?

Ans Judiciary in India is seen to be making conscious efforts to make political process transparent. To prevent criminalisation of politics, judiciary has adopted measures like strict punishment to criminals and prohibiting criminals from participating in political process.