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Interview Qs

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Essay Questions

- "The simplest acts of kindness are by far more powerful than a thousand heads bowing in prayer." – Mahatma Gandhi
- "Every work has to pass through hundreds of difficulties before succeeding. Those that persevere will see the light, sooner or later.
- "We can never obtain peace in the outer world until and unless we obtain peace within ourselves." (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- Life doesn't make any sense without interdependence. We need each other, and the sooner we learn that, it is better for us all."
- "The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in service of others."
- Forests precede civilizations and deserts follow them.
- The doubter is a true man of Science.
- All ideas having large consequences are always simple. The cost of being wrong is less than the cost of doing nothing.
- Thinking is like a game, it does not begin unless there is an opposite team.
- Visionary decision Education is what remains after one has forgotten what one has

learned in school. Poets are the unacknowledged legislators of the world History is a series of victories won by the scientific man

- A ship in harbour is safe, but that is not what ship is
- The time to repair the roof is when the sun is shining You cannot step twice in the same river Your perception of me is a reflection of you; my reaction to you is an awareness of me. Ships do not sink because of water around them, ships sink because of water that gets into them
- Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication
- Are the standardized tests good measure of academic ability or progress?
- Was it the policy paralysis or the paralysis of implementation which slowed the growth of our country?

List of PYQ

- Urban planning and culture of the Indus Valley Civilization provided inputs to the present-day urbanization? Discuss.
- Taxila university was one of the oldest universities of the world with which were associated Industrial Revolution in England responsible for the decline of handicrafts and cottage industries in India?
- Why did the armies of the British East India Company – mostly composed of Indian soldiers – win consistently against the more numerous and better equipped armies of the then Indian rulers?
- constructive programmes of Mahatma Gandhi during Non-Cooperation Movement and Civil Disobedience Movement.
- Evaluate the policies of Lord Curzon and their long-term implications on the national movement.
- mdccxi. Why were so many empire-shaking battles fought at Panipat? (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- In many ways, Lord Dalhousie was the founder of modern India. Elaborate.
- Assess the main administrative issues and socio-cultural problems in the integration process of Indian Princely States.
- Bring out the socio-economic effects of the introduction of railways in different countries of the world.
- Explain how the foundations of the modern world were laid by the American and French revolution. (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- Why did the industrial revolution first occur in England?
- What were the events that led to the Suez Crisis in 1956? How did it deal a final blow to Britain's self-image as a world power?
- Explore and evaluate the impact of 'Work from Home' on family relationships. Examine the uniqueness of tribal knowledge systems when compared with mainstream knowledge and cultural systems.

- Why do large cities tend to attract more migrants than smaller towns? Discuss in the light of conditions in developing countries.
- Why did human development fail to keep pace with economic development in India? How is the growth of Tier 2 cities related to the rise of a new middle class with an emphasis on the culture of consumption?
- Examine the role of 'Gig Economy' in the process of empowerment of women in India. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- How have digital initiatives in India contributed to the functioning of the educational system in the country?
- Account for the huge flooding of million cities in India including the smart ones like Hyderabad and Pune. Suggest
- How is efficient and affordable urban mass transport key to the rapid economic development of India? (Answer in 250 words)
- Major cities of India are becoming more vulnerable to flood conditions. Discuss. (Answer in 200 words) (12.5 Marks)
- Critically examine the effects of globalization on the aged population in India. (Answer in 200 words) (10 Marks)
- What is sea surface temperature rise? How does it affect the formation of tropical cyclones? How are the fjords formed? Why do they constitute some of the most picturesque areas of the world?
- What are the forces that influence ocean currents? Describe their role in the fishing Industry of the world.
- Briefly mention the alignment of major mountain ranges of the world and explain their impact on local weather conditions, with examples. (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks) Discuss the consequences of climate change on the food security in tropical countries. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- Discuss the meaning of color-coded weather warnings for cyclone-prone areas given by the India Meteorological Department.
- Assess the impact of global warming on coral life system with examples.
- What is water stress? How and why does it differ regionally in India?
- "The Himalayas are highly prone to landslides." Discuss the causes and suggest suitable measures of mitigation. (Answer
- Mumbai, Delhi and Kolkata are the three mega cities of the country but the air pollution is much more serious problem in Delhi as compared to the other two. Why is this so? (Answer Most of the unusual climatic happenings are explained as an outcome of the El-Nino effect. Do you agree? (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- The groundwater potential of the Gangetic valley is on a serious decline. How may it affect the food security of India?
- Comment on the resource potentials of the long coastline of India and highlight the status of natural hazard preparedness in these areas.

- The interlinking of rivers can provide viable solutions to the multi-dimensional inter-related problems of droughts, floods and interrupted navigation. Critically examine. What is the significance of Industrial Corridors in India? Identify industrial corridors, explain their main characteristics. (Answer
- South China Sea has assumed great geopolitical significance in the present context. Comment. (Answer in 200 words) (12.5 Marks)
- Compare and contrast the British and Indian approaches to Parliamentary sovereignty. The judicial systems in India and the UK seem to be converging as well as diverging in recent times. Highlight the key points of convergence and divergence between the two nations in terms of their judicial practices. (Answer in 150
- India and the USA are two large democracies. Examine the basic tenants on which the two political systems are based.
- What changes has the Union Government recently introduced in the domain of Centre-State relations? Suggest measures to be adopted to build the trust between the Centre and the States and for strengthening federalism. (Answer
- How is the Finance Commission of India constituted? What do you about the terms Assess the importance of Panchayat system in India as a part of local government. Apart from government grants, what sources the Panchayats
- Discuss the role of Presiding Officers of state legislatures in maintaining order and impartiality in conducting legislative work and in facilitating best democratic practices. (Answer Explain the structure of the Parliamentary Committee system. How far have the financial committees helped in the institutionalization of Indian Parliament? (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- Discuss the role of the Vice-President of India as the Chairman of the Rajya Sabha. What are the grounds on which the election of any returned candidate may be declared void?
- Do Department -related Parliamentary Standing Committees keep the administration on its toes and inspire reverence for parliamentary control?
- 'Simultaneous elections to the Lok Sabha and the State Assemblies will limit the amount of time and money spent in electioneering but it will reduce the government's accountability "Pressure groups play a vital role in influencing public policy making in India." Explain how the business associations contribute to public policies.
- What are the methods used by the Farmers organizations to influence the policy-makers in India and how effective are these methods?
- "The duty of the Comptroller and Auditor General is not merely to ensure the legality of expenditure but also its propriety."
- Discuss the role of the Competition Commission of India in containing the abuse of dominant position by the Multi-National Corporations in India.

- Discuss the role of the Election Commission of India in the light of the evolution of the Model Code of Conduct. (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- How have the recommendations of the 14th Finance Commission of India enabled the states to improve their fiscal position?
- "The Attorney-General is the chief legal adviser and lawyer of the Government of India." Discuss the contribution of civil society groups for women's effective and meaningful participation and representation in state legislatures in India.
- Reforming the government delivery system through the Direct Benefit Transfer Scheme is a progressive step, but it has its limitations
- 'The emergence of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in contemporary times points to the slow but steady withdrawal of the state from developmental activities'. Examine the role of the SHGs in developmental activities and the measures taken by the Government of India to promote the SHGs.
- e-governance is not just about the routine application of digital technology in service delivery process. It is as much about multifarious interactions for ensuring transparency and accountability. In this context evaluate the role of the 'Interactive Service Model' of e governance.
- e-governance, as a critical tool of governance, has ushered in effectiveness, transparency and accountability
- in governments. What inadequacies hamper the enhancement of these features? (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- In the light of the Satyam Scandal (2009), discuss the changes brought in corporate governance to ensure transparency, accountability. (Answer in 200 words) (12.5 Marks) Poverty and malnutrition create a vicious cycle, adversely affecting human capital formation. What steps can be taken to break the cycle?
- Skill development programs have succeed in increasing human resources supply to various sectors. In the context of the statement analyze the linkages between education, skill and employment.
- In order to enhance the prospects of social development, sound and adequate health care policies are needed particularly in the fields of geriatric and maternal health care. National Education Policy 2020 is in conformity with the Sustainable Development Goal-4 (2030). It intends to restructure and reorient education system in India. Critically examine the statement.
- What is the significance of Indo-US defence deals over Indo-Russian defence deals? Discuss with reference to stability in the Indo-Pacific region.
- "If the last few decades were of Asia's growth story, the next few are expected to be of Africa's." "The USA is facing an existential threat in the form of a China, that is much more challenging than the erstwhile Soviet Union." Explain. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks) Economic ties between India and Japan while growing in the recent years are still far below their potential. Elucidate the policy constraints which are inhibiting this growth. 'The expansion and strengthening of NATO and a

stronger US-Europe strategic partnership works well in India.' What is your opinion about this statement? Give reasons and examples to support your answer.

- 'Clean energy is the order of the day.' Describe
- India's changing policy towards climate change in various international fora in the context of geopolitics. (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- Critically examine the aims and objectives of SCO. what importance does it hold for India? Critically examine the role of WHO in providing global health security during the Covid-19 pandemic. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- 'Too little cash, too much politics, leaves UNESCO fighting for life.' Discuss the statement in the light of US' withdrawal and its accusation of the cultural body as being 'anti-Israel bias'. What are the key areas of reform if the WTO has to survive in the present context of 'Trade War', especially keeping in mind the interest of India? (Answer
- the era of globalization. But the Doha round of negotiations
- Discuss the impediments India is facing in its pursuit of a permanent seat in UN Security Council. (Answer in 200 words) (12.5 Marks)
- What are the causes of persistent high food inflation in India? Comment on the effectiveness of the monetary policy of the RBI to control this type of
- Faster economic growth requires increased share of the manufacturing sector in GDP, particularly of MSMEs. Comment on the present policies of the Government in this regard. What is the status of digitalization in the Indian economy? Examine the problems faced in this regard and suggest improvements. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- Do you agree that the Indian economy has recently experienced V- shapes recovery? Give reasons in support of your answer.
- "Success of 'Make in India' programme depends on the success of 'Skill India' programme and radical labour reforms." Discuss with logical arguments.
- What are the salient features of 'inclusive growth'? Has India been experiencing such a growth process? Analyze and suggest measures for inclusive growth.
- Distinguish between Capital Budget and Revenue Budget. Explain the components of both these Budgets. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- Explain the rationale behind the Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to States) Act of 2017. How has COVID-19 impacted the GST compensation fund and created new federal tensions? What are the reasons for introduction of Fiscal responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) act, 2003? Discuss critically its salient features and their effectiveness. (Answer in 200 words) (10 Marks)
- What are the major challenges faced by the Indian irrigation system in recent times? State the measures taken by the government for efficient irrigation management. (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- How does e-Technology help farmers in production and marketing of agricultural produce? What are the direct and indirect subsidies provided to farm sector in

India? Discuss the issues raised by the World Trade Organization (WTO) in relation to agricultural subsidies. (Answer in 150 words)

- Explain the changes in cropping pattern in India in the context of changes in consumption pattern and marketing conditions.
- What are the main bottlenecks in the upstream and downstream process of marketing of agricultural products in India?
- What is an Integrated Farming System? How is it helpful to small and marginal farmers in India? (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- How and to what extent would micro-irrigation help in solving India's water crisis? (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- What are the present challenges before crop diversification? How do emerging technologies provide an opportunity for crop diversification? (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks) What are the main constraints in transport and marketing of agricultural produce in India? (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks) What are the major factors responsible for making the rice wheat system a success? In spite of this success, how has this system become bane in India? (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks) Suggest measures to improve water storage and irrigation system to make its judicious use under depleting scenarios. (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks) How can biotechnology improve the living standards of farmers?
- What are the major challenges of the Public Distribution System (PDS) in India? How can it be made effective and transparent? (Answer
- What do you mean by Minimum Support Price (MSP)? How will MSP rescue the farmers from the low-income trap? (Answer
- How do subsidies affect the cropping pattern, crop diversity and economy of farmers? What is the significance of crop insurance, minimum support price and food processing for small and marginal farmers? (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- State the objectives and measures of land reforms in India. Discuss how land ceiling policy on landholding
- can be considered as an effective reform under economic criteria. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks) 3.1.8.3 UPSC 2021
- Justify the need for FDI for the development of the Indian economy. Why there is gap between MOUs signed and actual FDIs? Suggest remedial steps to be taken for increasing actual Foreign direct investment (FDI) in the defence sector is now said to be liberalised. What influence this is expected to have on Indian defence and economy in the short and long run? Discuss the impact of FDI entry into the multi-trade retail sector on supply chain management in commodity trade patterns of the economy. (Answer in 100 words) (05 Marks) Elaborate the scope and significance of the food processing industry in India. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- What are the impediments in marketing and supply chain management in developing the food processing industry in India? Can e-commerce help in overcoming this bottleneck? What is the need for expanding the regional air

connectivity in India? In this context, discuss the government's UDAN Scheme and its achievements. (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks) Do you think India will meet 50 percent of its energy needs from renewable energy by 2030? Justify your answer. How will the shift of subsidies from fossil fuels to renewable help achieve the above objective?

- What are 'Smart Cities? Examine their relevance for urban development
- To what factors can be the recent dramatic fall in equipment cost and tariff of solar energy be attributed? What implications does the trend have for thermal power producers and related industry?
- Examine the developments of Airports in India through Joint Ventures under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model. What are the challenges faced by the authorities in this regard? Describe the context and salient features of the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023. does AI help clinical diagnosis? Do you perceive any threat to privacy of the individual in the use of AI in the healthcare?
- What is the basic principle behind vaccine development? How do vaccines work? What approaches were adopted by the Indian vaccine manufacturers to produce COVID-19 vaccines? What are the research and developmental achievements in applied biotechnology? How will these achievements help to uplift the poorer sections of the society?
- How does the 3D printing technology work? List out the advantages and disadvantages of the technology.
- What do you understand by fixed dose drug combinations (FDCs)? Discuss their merits and demerits.
- Industrial pollution of river water is a significant environmental issue in India. Discuss the various mitigation measures to deal with this problem and also the government's initiatives in this regard. (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)
- What are the salient features of the Jal Shakti Abhiyan launches by the Government of India for water conservation and water security?
- What are the key features of the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) initiated by the Government of India? (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- What are the consequences of illegal mining? Discuss the ministry of environment and forests' concept of "GO AND NO GO" zones for coal mining. (Answer in 200 words) (10 Marks) What is disaster resilience? How is it determined? Describe various elements of a resilience framework. Also mention the global targets of Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (2015-2030). (Answer in 250 words) (15 Marks)
- Dam failures are always catastrophic, especially on the downstream side, resulting in a colossal loss of life and property. Analyze the various causes of dam failures. Give two examples of large dam failures.
- Explain the causes and effects of coastal erosion in India. What are the available coastal management techniques for combating the hazard?

- Describe the various causes and the effects of landslides. Mention the important components of the National Landslide Risk Management Strategy.
- Disaster preparedness is the first step in any disaster management process. Explain how hazard zonation mapping will help in disaster mitigation in the case of landslides. What are the maritime security challenges in India? Discuss the organisational, technical and procedural initiatives taken to improve maritime security.
- International civil aviation laws provide all countries complete and exclusive sovereignty over the airspace above the territory. What do you understand by airspace? What are the implications of these laws on the space above this airspace? Discuss the challenges which this poses and suggests ways to contain the threat. (Answer in 200 words)
- Discuss the advantage and security implications of cloud hosting of server vis-a-vis in-house machine-based hosting for government businesses.