



## IAS Mains General Studies 2004

### Paper-I

1. Answer anyone of the following (in about 250 words): 30

- Discuss the major regulations enacted by the British rulers to curb the freedom of Press in India.
- Form a critical assessment of the Non-Cooperation Movement.

2. Answer any two of the following (in about 150 words each):  $2 \times 15 = 30$

- What led to the partition of Bengal in 1905?
- Write a note on the Theosophical Society.
- Discuss the main findings of the Hartog Committee (1929).

3. Write about the following (not exceeding 20 words each):  $15 \times 2 = 30$

- Upanishads
- Vajrayana
- Kumarsambhav
- Razmnama
- Mirza Haidar
- Muhammad Barkatullah
- Sohan Singh Bhakna
- Alluri Sitaramaraju
- Canjeevaram Natrajan Annadurai
- Jadong



*xi. Jadunath Sarkar*

*xii. Nazir Hasan*

*xiii. Subhash Gupte*

*xiv. Acharya Nirmalya*

*xv. Jyotirao Phule*

*4. Answer any two of the following (in about 125 words each):  $2 \times 10 = 20$*

*a. Examine the distribution of oil refineries in India.*

*b. Why are the Aravallis called a divide between Mewar and Marwar?*

*c. What is Golden Quadrilateral? How will it help in the economic development of the country?*

*5. Write short notes on the following (in about 20 words each):  $5 \times 2 = 10$*

*a. El Niño, La Niña and monsoon rains*

*b. The Sambhar lake*

*c. The Sundarbans*

*d. Bombay High*

*e. Sabarkantha & Banaskantha*

*6. Answer anyone of the following (in about 250 words): 30*

*a. What is the significance of a preamble to a constitution? Bring out the philosophy of the Indian polity as enshrined in the Preamble of the Indian Constitution.*

*b. Discuss the meaning of "breakdown of constitutional machinery" What are its effects?*

*7. Answer anyone of the following (in about 250 words): 30*

*a. Discuss how the Constitution of India provides equal rights.*

*b. How does the Indian Constitution seek to maintain independence of the Public Service Commission?*

*8. Answer any two of the following (in about 150 words each):  $2 \times 15 = 30$*

*a. Define Money-bill. Discuss how it is passed in the Parliament.*



b. What is a Finance Commission? Discuss the main functions of the State Finance Commission.

c. Discuss how state governments can exercise control over panchayats.

9. Answer the following (in about 20 words each):  $5 \times 2 = 10$

a. What is Habeas Corpus?

b. What are the constitutional restrictions imposed upon the power of borrowing of the state governments?

c. What is the special facility provided to the linguistic minorities under Article 350 A?

d. How can a judge of the Supreme Court be removed?

e. How is the Election Commission of India constituted?

10. Write on any one of the following (in about 250 words): 30

a. The Inter-State river water dispute has once again assumed centre-stage after the Punjab Assembly's Bill terminating all previous accords on river waters. Discuss.

b. What is PURA? Discuss its major objectives.

11. Write on any two of the following (in about 125 words each)  $2 \times 10 = 20$

a. Explain UNDP Report on human development in India.

b. What is WTO? What are India's objections to its overall functioning?

c. Discuss the utility of e-governance in the Indian context.

12. Write notes on any two of the following (in about 125 words each):  $2 \times 10 = 20$

a. Housing for all by 2010 is the goal set by the National Habitat Policy. How far is it achievable?

b. "Is greater spending on education linked to higher literacy?" Discuss.

c. What is Enterprise Resource Planning?

13. Write about the following (in about 20 words each):  $5 \times 2 = 10$

a. ISRO

b. Central Vigilance Commission

c. NDDB

d. Hiren Mukherjee

e. Pareechu Lake