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106-R-B30

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Paper II

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 300

INSTRUCTIONS

Each question is printed both in Hindi and in English.

Answers must be written in the medium specified in the Admission Certificate issued to you, which must be stated clearly on the cover of the answer-book in the space provided for the purpose. No marks will be given for the answers written in a medium other than that specified in the Admission Certificate.

*Candidates should attempt Questions **1** and **5**, which are compulsory, and any **three** of the remaining questions selecting at least **one** question from each Section.*

The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question.

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SECTION A

1. Comment on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each : 20×3=60

(a) "In the happiness of his subjects lies the king's happiness; in their welfare his welfare."

Comment on Kautilyan state administration. In what respects is modern democratic rulers' behaviour different from Kautilyan rulers ?

(b) "The basic values of the Constitution of India enshrine social, political and economic philosophy symbolising sovereignty of the people, rule of law and basic characteristics of a socialist, secular, democratic republic." Comment.

(c) "The 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments are major landmarks in India's Constitutional History and Local Governance." Comment.

(d) "Not the Potomac, but the Thames, fertilizes the flow of Yamuna." In the light of the statement comment on the symbolic institution of the President of India.

2. "The role played by the National Human Rights Commission in maintaining and preserving dignity of India's citizens has been satisfactory and up to the expectations." Elucidate.

60

3. "Indian Prime Minister should not only be accountable to the Indian Parliament but should appear to be so."

Comment on the accountability of the Prime Minister to the Indian Parliament in the context of extra-constitutional power.

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4. "The District Collector, the Additional Deputy Commissioner and Sub-Divisional Officer, have virtually become 'officers-in-attendance' and have lost initiative and independence of judgement." Comment.

60

SECTION B

3.

5. Comment on any *three* of the following in not more than 200 words each : 20×3=60

4.

(a) "The generalist character of I.A.S. is its chief characteristic as well as its chief criticism."

Comment.

(b) "All efforts in the field of reforms in public administration by the political executive have resulted in no significant output." Comment.

(c) "By taking some offices out of the jurisdiction of the Office of Profit Act, the Government of India has doubly assured the public mind of its duplicity." Comment.

(d) "Audit, like the judiciary, the executive and the legislature is one of the important ingredients of democracy." Comment.

6. "The main problem of Centre – State relations in India is bottlenecks in fiscal federalism." Comment. 60

7. "Lok-Ayuktas are judicial institutions without adequate teeth." Comment. 60

8. (a) Critically evaluate the policies of the Union Government with regard to the welfare of women and children of India in not more than 200 words.

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- (b) What measures have been taken by the Union and the States for the welfare of women in the profession of sex ?
- (c) What concrete steps have been taken by the Union and the State Governments to protect child labour and prevent abuse of children ? $40+10+10=60$