2020 – General Studies Paper 2

Total time: 3 Hours **Total Marks: 250 marks**

All Questions are compulsory.

Keep the word limit in mind while answering the question.

Q.1) "There is a need for simplification of Procedure for disqualification of persons found guilty of corrupt practices under the Representation of People's Act". Comment (Answer in 150 words) (10 Marks)

Q.2) "Recent amendments to the Right to Information Act will have profound impact on the autonomy and independence of the Information Commission". Discuss. (Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks)

Q.3) How far do you think cooperation, competition and confrontation have shaped the nature of federation in India ? Cite some recent examples to validate your answer. (Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks)

Q.4) The judicial system in India and 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 words) 10 Marks)

Q.5) 'Once a Speaker, Always a speaker'! Do you think this practice should be adopted to impart objectivity to the office of the Speaker of Lok Sabha? What could be it's implication for the robust functioning of parliamentary business in India? ((Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks)

Q.6) In order to enhance the prospects of social development, sound and adequate health care policies are needed in the fields of geriatric and maternal health care. Discuss (Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks)

Q.7) "Institutional quality is a crucial driver of economic performance". In this context, suggest reforms in Civil Service for Strengthening Democracy. (Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks)

Q.8) "The emergence of Fourth Industrial Revolution (Digital Revolution) has initiated e-Governance as an integral part of the government". Discuss (Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks)

Q.9) Critically examine the role of WHO in providing global health security during the COVID-19 Pandemic (Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks)

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Q.10) "Indian diaspora has a decisive role to play in the politics and economy of America and European Countries". Comment with examples. (Answer in 150 words) 10 Marks)

Q.11) Indian Constitution exhibits centralising tendencies to maintain unity and integrity of the nation. Elucidate in the perspective of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897; The Disaster Management Act, 2005 and recently passed Farm Acts. (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

Q.12) Judicial legislation is antithetical to the doctrine of separation of powers as envisaged in the Indian Constitution. In this context justify the filing of large number of public interest petitions praying for issuing guidelines to executive authorities. (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

Q.13) The strength and sustenance of local institutions in India has shifted from their formative phase of 'functions , functionaries and funds' to the contemporary stage of' functionality'. Highlight the critical challenges faced by local institutions in terms of their functionality in recent times. (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

Q.14) Rajyasabha has been transformed from a 'useless Stepney tire' to the most useful supportive organ in past few decades. Highlight the factors as well as areas in which this transformation could be visible. (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

Q.15) Which steps are required for constitutionalisation of a commission? Do you think imparting constitutionality to the national commission for woman would ensure greater gender justice and empowerment in India? Give reasons. (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

Q.16) "Incidence and intensity of poverty are most important in determining poverty based on income alone". In this context analyze the latest United Nations Multi Poverty Index report. (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

Q.17) "Microfinance as an anti-poverty vaccine is aimed at asset creation and income security of the rural poor in India". Evaluate the role of Self Help Groups in achieving twin objectives along with empowering women in rural India. (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

Q.18) National Electronic Policy 2020 is in conformity with the Sustainable Development Goals-4 (2030). It intended to restructure and re-orient the education system in India. Critically examine the statement. (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

Q.19) Quadrilateral Security Dialogue is transforming itself into a trade block from the military alliance, in present times. Discuss (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

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Q.20) What is the significance of Indo-US deals over Indo-Russian defence deals? Discuss with reference to stability in the Indo-Pacific region (Answer in 250 words) (15 marks)

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