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**SECTION - A**

Answer the following questions in not more than 150 words each:

1. (a) Even though women may have equal skills, qualifications and commitment as men, they face much more difficulty in rising up the leadership hierarchy. Discuss the reasons for the same. Also, explain the importance of having gender parity in positions of leadership. 10

पुरुषों के समान कुशलता, योग्यता और प्रतिबद्धता जैसे गुणों से युक्त होने के बावजूद भी महिलाओं को नेतृत्व श्रृंखला में उच्च सोपानों तक पहुँचने के लिए अपेक्षाकृत अधिक कठिनाई का सामना करना पड़ता है। समस्या की पृष्ठभूमि में निहित कारणों पर चर्चा कीजिये। इसके साथ ही नेतृत्व के विविध स्तरों पर लैंगिक समानता के महत्व का उल्लेख कीजिए।

Women have reached in all spheres of life today. Yet, there are certain places where this part of population is under represented. One of them is top positions of leadership. There are few women at posts of directors, CEOs or heads of state in both public & private sector.

There are various reasons for the same which may differ from sector to sector. The gender bias in terms of domestic responsibility & household works is present in whole world & not just developing or backward countries. Therefore, many women drop out at the level of middle management when middle children related tasks spring up.

Due to patriarchal nature of society, women move to place where their husbands work mostly & hence are out of their, many times, very successful career or firms.

In sectors like Army, women are thought of as physically & mentally less stronger than their men counterpart, hence there is very small participation in combat role or top positions here.

Politics is also not a very welcoming profession for women due to the path less tread-mentality & lack of trust among general public.

But, gender parity is very important at dec levels and their participation at the top brings multi-dimensional viewpoints and perspectives to the field which are absent in male-dominated board meetings. Special qualities of women like empathy, being an effective communicator, compassion give a more benevolent look of the management which will increase productivity of employees, firm & country. eg IMF's study has shown how GDP will increase

1. (b) All correct decisions are honest and all incorrect decisions are dishonest. Do you agree? How should the correctness and incorrectness of a decision be decided? 10

सभी सही निर्णय ईमानदारी भरे होते हैं और सभी गलत निर्णय बेईमानी भरे होते हैं। क्या आप सहमत हैं? किसी निर्णय के सही होने और गलत होने का निर्धारण किस प्रकार किया जाना चाहिए।

It may not always be true that all correct decisions are honest. There are two ways of deciding correctness of a decision :

First, being deontological, where ends justify means. If the objective of goal set, for which decision was taken has been met, it will be regarded as correct. There may have been unethical or incorrect means been used to achieve the same. eg If our goal was to secure an electoral seat, and we capture the booth or bribe the voters - our end may be achieved (if not caught) but it can not justify the means used → this another approach is where ends can not justify wrong means i.e.

In public life, the proposition of ends justifying means can not be used because it will lead to

improper ways of working which will breed nepotism, corruption or perpetuation of self-interests of bureaucracy where public interest will be jeopardised.

All correct decisions can't be said as honest for the same reason. Because unethical means, dishonest practices may have been used eg if a company wants to show profit in its account book and it manipulates the transactions - though it met the objective but it is not honest.

If a public servant knows that an old woman deserved a house allotted to widows by govt, but due to non-awareness, she could not apply - he may circumvent the procedures and allot it to her - it may be seen as a correct decision but is surely not honest, if not taken under rule book or by taking superior order confidence. All dishonest decisions can't be said as incorrect or wrong for similar reason.

2. (a) Should birth control be a voluntary exercise or a government policy in a country? In this regard, examine the ethical dimensions of having a One Child Policy in India. 10

किसी राष्ट्र में जन्म पर नियंत्रण, स्वेच्छिक प्रयास के माध्यम से होना चाहिए या सरकारी नीति के माध्यम से होना चाहिए? इस संबंध में, भारत में एक बच्चे की नीति के नैतिक आयामों का परीक्षण कीजिए।

Supreme court has widened the scope of article 21 of constitution of India - right to life & personal liberty to such an extent that the right to give birth & rear children and right to pregnancy must come under ambit of it.

In this respect, the birth control has to be a choice exercised by the couple with mutual consent and not coerced under govt pressure or punishment.

Other countries which have tried compulsory birth controls are the glaring evidences in front of ~~this~~ us that it is not a desired policy in India.

Ethical dimensions included are:

\* Personal choice or freedom of individuals is snatched by state. This invades the right to privacy i.e. right to be left alone - which has been recognized by SC in vs state of TN

\* It will encourage the people to have only one male child - will result in skewed sex ratio & will further the already present gender bias in country.

\* Increased agony of females for repeated abortion will drain her physically & mentally.

\* India's increased focus on female sterilization for birth control is also straining experience for her.

\* Single children more self focussed & less sharing habit. Though, short time benefits of one child leading to small family, better allocation of national resources and govt benefits may seem attractive, long term impact of this policy is not ~~over~~ all good and may lead to decreased workforce and should not be applied.



2. (b) An organisation consists of a variety of individuals with varying values and degrees of motivation. What challenges do leaders face when forging a harmonious work culture in such an organisation? How can leaders engender a sense of inclusion in face of such diversity? 10

एक संगठन का निर्माण अलग-अलग मूल्यों और अलग-अलग अभिप्रेरणा स्तर वाले विविध प्रकार के व्यक्तियों से होता है। इस प्रकार के संगठन में सामंजस्यपूर्ण कार्य-संस्कृति के विकास के मार्ग में नेतृत्व के द्वारा किन चुनौतियों का सामना किया जाता है? इस प्रकार की विविधतापूर्ण स्थिति में नेतृत्व के द्वारा कार्य करने वाले व्यक्तियों में समावेशिता की अनुभूति किस प्रकार समाविष्ट की जा सकती है?

In any organisation, there are many individuals - each unique in his own way. One may love the work allotted to him & another may not be happy with his pay. One may be thanking his superior for promotion, another may be thinking of quitting the organisation because of perceived lack of opportunities.

A leader has to handle the whole team and has to collaborate with each member to circulate a healthy work environment. Challenges faced are:-

- 1) Different emotions and perceptions of people for the same work or order may be different. Effectively, integrating them in such a way that its accepted by all alike is a challenge
- 2) Communication, if not effective (not just vertical but horizontal as well)

will pose a challenge to leader in reaching out to all.

3) Effectively allocating resources & incentives among team members depending upon their motivation & with the purpose of giving satisfaction is also a challenge.

4) ~~Orders should be given in a~~  
To engender a sense of inclusion, he should do the following:-

1) Appreciation of team members in front of superiors will boost the morale of whole team & a sense of collective responsibility will develop.

2) More time should be spent with members apart from regular meetings individually & collectively eg outings, picnics to increase the comfort level.

3) Incentivisation of any particular employee should be justified to him describing outstanding contribution made by him/her.

4) Regular feedback should be taken & provided so as to <sup>not</sup> reach any unknown territory about progress of team or any member.

3. (a) Notwithstanding compassion and morality, it is national interest that ultimately determines a country's decisions in international relations. Discuss this statement in the context of the current refugee crisis. 10
- दया और नैतिकता जैसे मूल्यों का महत्वपूर्ण स्थान होते हुए भी, अंतर्राष्ट्रीय संबंधों के परिप्रेक्ष्य में अंततः राष्ट्र के निर्णयों को राष्ट्रिय हितों के आधार पर ही निर्धारित किया जाता है। वर्तमान शरणार्थी संकट के संदर्भ में इस कथन पर चर्चा करें।

There are no permanent friends or foes in international relations. There is only permanent national interest. It has been said rightly. Though, humanitarian crisis in the world should be dealt by nations collectively with compassion & morality, one can not ignore the national interest. Refugee crisis in middle east has shown these both dimensions extremely well. In the beginning, when Europe kept ~~moving~~ returning the refugees back terming them as 'economic migrants', Aylan Kurdi raised the conscience of Europe and the whole world and it realised the price that humanity is paying due to actions of other human beings. And, an extensive program of taking in refugee as per quota

was devised. Still, few nations are reluctant to see the compassionate side of this extensive program. eg Hungary and they closed the borders, barbed them & turned children, elderly & women back to the place of war.

They justified their interests according to their perception of national security - perceived 'Islamophobia' and suspected entry of terrorists along with refugees. They can justify their actions as per the recent Paris terror attack as well.

However, the crisis is much bigger than it seems. It has been termed as the largest such crisis since world war II. Nations should come together & analyse the causes which generated & originated into these crises and should realise that 'prevention is better than cure'. It is best to stop these events at an early stage & a collective mechanism should be devised.

3. (b) What are the ethical issues involved in climate change negotiations? Suggest some strategies to address the divergence in ethical positions of different nations. 10

जलवायु परिवर्तन पर होने वाली वार्ताओं में समाहित नैतिक मुद्दे क्या हैं? विभिन्न राष्ट्रों के नैतिक मुद्दों से संबंधित दृष्टिकोण में जो भिन्नता है, उसके का समाधान के लिए अपनाई जा सकने वाली रणनीतियों का सुझाव दीजिये।

The current global climate change crisis is the result of industrialisation of developed countries (today) since mid 17<sup>th</sup> century. This can be seen by per capita emissions of different countries which is 18 mt for USA, 12 mt for Russia and 1.5 mt for India. Energy consumption in developed countries is much larger and because of these differences, the concept of 'common but differentiated responsibilities' was emerged. Though developing countries should work towards a healthy planet & should promote steps in this direction, they have to take care of their own developmental needs as well. eg in India, to give employment to its large young population, the manufacturing sector has to be promoted.

which required cheap electricity which can not come through renewable resources alone and coal can not be kept in the ground.

The purchasing power of majority of Indians is very less as compared to developed nations & % of population in India is without electricity. The development of human capital & social capital can not be tapped without it. This is the subsistence need of <sup>modern</sup> human civilization & developing countries can not abandon their people from this right for their quest to greener planet & renewable energy. Strategies that should be adopted are: ① Transfer of technology & funds from developed to developing countries in a phased manner & regularly. ② Better carbon trading mechanisms. ③ Excluding basic amenities as power to BPL population from commitments. ④ Phased reduction of carbon and other GHGs without commitments for next decade.

4. (a) Why is there a need for Performance Management System in an outcome oriented government? Evaluate the feasibility of peer review in context of Indian civil services. 10

एक परिणामोन्मुख सरकार में "कार्यनिष्पादन प्रबंधन प्रणाली" की आवश्यकता क्यों है? भारतीय लोक सेवाओं के संदर्भ में "सहकर्मी समीक्षा" (peer review) के औचित्य का मूल्यांकन कीजिए।

(PMS) Performance management system refers to micro evaluation of sub-goals & objectives attached within a broader and wider goal. eg in the context of Swaccha Bharat Abhiyan, the elimination of open defecation is the outcome but number of toilets built in a village is the performance criteria attached to evaluate it.

Though, merely PMS can not achieve the desired outcome means only toilet construction is not enough but attitudinal changes in people to use it regularly & discontinue open defecation is as much necessary; yet the measurement of the toilets, fair usage of funds devolved for the purpose, delivery of funds/subsidy to intended beneficiary is very important to reach the outcome.

Peer review in Indian civil services is a newer concept, though its widely used in private sector & is immensely successful. There are merits & demerits of the ~~set~~ concept as :-

1) It will give superior a closer look at employee & organization as there are large no of employees under one person that its difficult to keep a check on activities of all subordinates.

Peer review will not only appraise about work capabilities but also the inter-personal skills of individual, his degree of motivation & values which can be better used by superior in allocation of resources & incentives.

But, there have been apprehensions about false reviews by disgruntled peers, wrong information & its effect on career prospects of employee.

Hence, for effective usage of it, should be combined with clear evidences to back the claims of the reviewer and it should be supplemented with personal observation of superior.



4. (b) Discretionary power in the hands of public servants is a necessary evil. Discuss. 10

लोक सेवकों के हाथों में विवेकाधीन शक्तियाँ एक आवश्यक बुराई हैं। चर्चा कीजिए।

Indian civil services is known for its wide discretionary powers. In the wider context of modern societies, complexities of public organizations, parliament & executive are increasing. More & more expert fields are emerging. This requires the intervention at the immediate level of implementers and more situational discretion.

Requirements can be justified as:-

- 1) Parliamentarians are novice & non-experts, so they create only a framework for any legislation & detailed delegated legislation is left to implementer.
- 2) Complexities & specialists fields are emerging more & more eg cyber crime, environmental degradation, formulation of INDCs etc where only policy can be formulated by top level & left has to be taken care according to demands of situation.
- 3) Parliament efficiency is decreasing & Indian par. sits only for 80 days a year.

as against 150 in European countries.  
This leaves little time to executive & legislature to make detailed laws.

4) Regional differences require different ways of implementation of same policy & thus the need of the same.

⑤ Dangers associated with it are:

- 1) No rulebook for behaviour / action taken under discretionary powers.
- 2) This is a double-edged sword which can be used against public interest with as much ease as ~~not~~ to further it.
- 3) Grievance redressal becomes tougher in case of action / inaction under this power.

⑥ Therefore, though it can't be avoided, it must be used with careful checks & balances of superior's monitoring, committee on subordinate legislation - performing Parliamentary evaluation and should be used only in case of extreme necessity.

5. (a) The landmark judgment by the Supreme Court of India recognized the transgender as a third sex. What attitudes do you notice towards the transgender people in India? Discuss some steps to facilitate a dignified life for the transgender people. 10

भारत के सर्वोच्च न्यायालय द्वारा दिए गए ऐतिहासिक निर्णय से ट्रांसजेंडर्स को तृतीय लिंग के रूप में मान्यता दी गई है। आप भारतीय परिस्थितियों में ट्रांसजेंडर्स समुदाय के लोगों के प्रति किन अभिवृत्तियों की अनुभूति करते हैं। ट्रांसजेंडर्स के लिए गरिमापूर्ण जीवन निर्माण की दिशा में उठाए जा सकने वाले कदमों के संबंध में चर्चा कीजिए।

### Attitudes noticed towards transgenders

\* Exclusion is the biggest impediment in their development. They as individuals & as community have been segregated from 'main stream' society. Coming away a transgender child at the birth itself is a manifestation of the same.

\* Social stigma towards them sees people with scepticism who talk to transgenders or interact in public spaces.

\* Boycott of whole community from society has kept them uneducated & unemployed from ages & has compelled them to move to sex work or begging.

\* Contempt and looking down upon them is common.

\* Attitude of police & public servants is also not empathetic towards this community which increases their problems.

Steps towards dignified life -

- \* SC Judgement is a big boost to community and has empowered them.
- \* Transgender bill, 2015 is a step in the right direction which provides 2% reservation in education & employment, National & state commissions for their protection & welfare & decriminalisation of giving away a transgender child at birth except on an order of a competent court.
- \* Sensitisation of public & officials should be done alike to create a sense of inclusion towards them.
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5. (b) What key characteristics of a person conveying a message make it more persuasive? When celebrities endorse a product, they do so knowing that their endorsement will persuade people to buy it. What duty do they have towards the consumers? 10

संदेश देने वाले व्यक्ति की कौन-सी महत्वपूर्ण विशेषताएँ संदेश को और अधिक आग्रहपूर्ण बनाती हैं? जब ख्याति प्राप्त व्यक्ति किसी उत्पाद का विज्ञापन करते हैं, तो वे ऐसा यह जानते हुए करते हैं कि उनके द्वारा किसी वस्तु का किया गया विज्ञापन, लोगों को वह वस्तु खरीदने हेतु प्रेरित करेगा। इस सन्दर्भ में उपभोक्ताओं के प्रति उनके क्या दायित्व हैं?

We all communicate with others in verbal or non-verbal manner. Yet, some people are better able to send their message across the table in a better manner than others. Characteristics that distinguish them are :-

- 1) Effective command on language
- 2) Efficient use of gestures and non-verbal communication.
- 3) Credibility of a person in the field eg a person who is already selected for UPSC is able to better hold the audience than someone failed.
- 4) Public standing of a person leaves a great mark on audience.
- 5) Examples used in talk to convince people for a particular action/inaction eg Mukesh's advertisement for tobacco control leaves an impact on viewers' mind.

When celebrities endorse a product, people many times get carried away with emotions and buy the products. Public image of a particular celebrity is positive & his/her fan following is loyal which leads them to take such emotional, rather than rational decisions. Credibility of public figures is high, so the claims made with respect to product are taken to be true by public and convinces them easily.

Therefore, they should show a sense of moral responsibilities towards their endorsements and do a background check of claims made by product or a disclaimer should be provided which says the correct information about the personal responsibility of celebrity about product. False claims should not be put upon because that will be misuse of their dignified position where they are because of public and would amount to fraud.

6. It is said that child labor cannot be ethical at all. Do you agree? Discuss with respect to the proposed amendments to the Child Labour Act. 10

यह कहा जाता है कि बाल-श्रम किसी भी परिस्थिति में नैतिक नहीं हो सकता। क्या आप सहमत हैं? बाल-श्रम अधिनियम में प्रस्तावित संशोधनों के संदर्भ में चर्चा कीजिए।

Child as a moral phenomenon refers to soft embodiment of a clean slate and a period which should be cared & nurtured for development and labour is exactly opposite phenomenon which brings with it compulsions of work, coercion, mandatory responsibilities. These two phenomenon do not go down well together.

Concept of child labour is associated with the ~~the~~ tough manual, domestic exploitative jobs in India but there can be another coin to it which promotes innovative work at school, part time development of products made using science learned at school, hobbies like acting, singing & subsequent employment in entertainment industry as well. It can not be said unethical in all situations. Rather, in few carefully regulated &

caliberated <sup>not</sup> sectors, it can be highly productive <sup>not</sup> only for child but the society & nation as well.

Proposed amendments allow the child to work in family businesses ~~except~~ while banning in all other types of employments.

There are two coins of it, one being - disguised family employment may lead to increased form child labourers and in unorganised small sector industries such as carpenter, idol-making etc. This may deprive them of their focus on school education as they will be over-burdened with work after school, as it proposed.

On the other hand, it may help them learn a new skill on a part-time basis such as artisanship and help them inculcate new hobbies. But, it can also be seen as the perpetuation of caste-based businesses which is the basis of this system in India. Hence, we must be very careful in tracing our path in this



7. Are emotions an inhibiting factor in effective decision-making? Discuss in the context of public services. 10

क्या भावनाएं प्रभावपूर्ण निर्णय लेने के मार्ग में बाधक तत्व हैं? लोक सेवाओं के संदर्भ में चर्चा कीजिए।

Emotions, by itself, are not an inhibiting factor. Rather, there is a need to strike a balance between emotions & rationality, i.e. upbringing of emotive rationality.

Not only aptitude and intelligence quotient is necessary for a public official but also emotional intelligence where he takes care of not only economy & efficiency but equity as well. eg An old widow forgets to apply for her house allotted under a govt scheme and is late by a day, emotions <sup>regarding</sup> ~~about~~ her compelling circumstances & old age should drive a public

servant to go an extra mile to allot it by talking to superiors & taking them under confidence considering the genuineness of the case-

eg in case of riots in a communally charged environment, a collector should not take emotionally charged decisions & order a shoot-at-sight order on crowd, rather only preventive measures like tear gas or water cannon on aggressive crowd should be recommended.

These examples show us the guide to maintain the balance.

8. What do you understand by the Sarvodaya philosophy of Gandhiji? Why is Sarvodaya relevant for civil servants in India? 10  
गांधीजी के सर्वोदय दर्शन से आप क्या समझते हैं? भारत में लोक सेवकों के लिए सर्वोदय क्यों प्रासंगिक है?



**SECTION – B**

In the following questions, carefully study the cases presented and then answer the questions that follow (in around 250 words):

9. You are the leader of a 5 member team that has been assigned to carry out social impact assessment of a project proposed in a Naxal area. Members have been allotted a remote village each to conduct surveys and ascertain views of local people. You are under strict instructions not to disclose the identity of respondents outside the project. While compiling data, you are puzzled by the responses from one of the villages. You accompany the point-person for that village next day for verification. You randomly pick a person from the list of respondents and ask her for clarification of the response she had given earlier. She seems confused and denies any knowledge of the survey being conducted, let alone she being questioned. You try to verify this from other respondents and get similar replies. This raises serious doubts about the integrity and credibility of the survey process.

(a) What are the ethical issues involved in the situation?

(b) As a team leader accountable for credibility of the survey and working on a hard timeline, what are the possible options before you? List their merits and demerits.

(c) Giving reasons, state the course of action you would follow.

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आप एक पांच सदस्यीय टीम के नेतृत्वकर्ता हैं, जिसे नक्सल क्षेत्र में प्रस्तावित एक परियोजना के सामाजिक प्रभाव आंकलन का कार्य सौंपा गया है। सर्वेक्षण करने और स्थानीय लोगों के दृष्टिकोण का पता लगाने के लिए प्रत्येक सदस्य को एक सूदूरवर्ती गांव आवंटित किया गया है। आपको सख्त निर्देश दिए गए हैं कि उत्तरदाताओं की पहचान को परियोजना से बाहर प्रकट नहीं किया जाए। आंकड़ों को संकलित करते समय, आप एक गाँव से प्राप्त उत्तरों से उलझन में पड़ जाते हैं। आप उस गाँव हेतु नियुक्त व्यक्ति (प्वाइंट पर्सन) के साथ अगले दिन सत्यापन करने जाते हैं। आप उत्तरदाताओं की सूची में से यादृच्छिक रूप से एक व्यक्ति का चयन करते हैं और उससे कहते हैं कि वह पहले दिए गए अपने उत्तरों का स्पष्टीकरण करें। वह कुछ भ्रमित प्रतीत होती है और न केवल स्वयं से प्रश्न पूछे जाने, वरन् सर्वेक्षण किए जाने के संबंध में जानकारी होने तक की बात भी नकारती है। आप इस तथ्य को अन्य उत्तरदाताओं से सत्यापित करने का प्रयास करते हैं और एक समान उत्तर प्राप्त करते हैं। यह सर्वेक्षण प्रक्रिया की सत्यनिष्ठा और विश्वसनीयता पर गंभीर संदेह पैदा करता है।

(a) इस परिस्थिति से सम्बंधित नैतिक मुद्दे क्या हैं?

(b) आप इस टीम के नेतृत्वकर्ता के रूप में सर्वेक्षण की विश्वसनीयता हेतु और निश्चित समय-सीमा के अंतर्गत कार्य पूर्ण करने हेतु उत्तरदायी हैं। ऐसे में आपके सामने संभावित विकल्प क्या हैं? उन विकल्पों के लाभ और हानियों को सूचीबद्ध कीजिए।

(c) इस संबंध में आपके द्वारा की जाने वाली कार्यवाही का उल्लेख करें। इसके साथ ही कारण को भी स्पष्ट करें।

(a) Ethical issues involved;

\* Since its clear that data is false & calibrated without actually conducting the survey, it will put a question mark on my integrity & credibility.

\* It puts a question mark over ability of my team to carry out a correct & effective survey.

\* It is a question on my leadership & motivational skills because I could not persuade my team members to perform a thorough & credible job.

\* There should be the reason for them finishing it off in this way - problems of team members were not communicated to me. This shows the gap between me & members.

\* Managing the timeline along with credibility is the biggest ethical dilemma.

(b) Options :-

(1) I can move on with this data & show it as the real one because there is no time to start the process all over again.

This option is good because it will keep my credibility high in front of my superiors because I delivered the data on time.

But, there are many demerits as (1) giving wrong data will further wrong developmental policies in the region. (2) If data is cross-checked, then my employment might be in danger & my credibility will also be lost. (3) It will perpetuate the wrongdoings of team members & these actions will be repeated by them in future which will keep frustrating public interest & efficiency of organizations where they work.

(2) One option is to punish the team members and recollect the full data again under strict monitoring & supervision so that only correct data reaches my superior.

### Merits :-

- 1) It will increase my ~~and~~ integrity and credibility.
- 2) If data can not be collected, within stipulated time, it should be informed to superiors and more time can be asked. It will ~~increase~~ my honest behaviour <sup>show</sup> towards the work.
- 3) Correct policies will be framed.
- 4) Public interest will be upheld.
- 5) Wrongdoers will be discouraged and prevented from reaction.

### Demerits :-

- 1) If superiors don't agree for extra time, project can be ~~lost~~ <sup>taken</sup> from my team & my credibility will be lost.



2) My monitoring & supervisory abilities shall be questioned.

3) My leadership abilities shall also be questioned & probability of me getting critical assignments in future might also be ~~affected~~ reduced.

4) Legal action can also be taken against me & my team.

(C) I would follow 2nd action, where I will convince my superiors to grant me some extra time & will take help of local panchayat members & educated people in the region for logistical works, ~~not~~ to finish it on time. Because of stated merits, this is the best & desirable course of action.

10. Gajendra, once a struggling film actor, was accused and later exonerated of rape charges, which the jury found out to be motivated and fake. Not able to cope up with the situation, he changed profession and moved on. Thirty years later, while his closest friends know about the incident but his co-workers do not. One day, out of curiosity, he searches for his name on the internet, and to his surprise, finds that the third entry that comes up is an old report in a local newspaper about the rape charges he faced.

Gajendra is upset; after all these years, he would like to be able to disclose the event only to whomever he wants. He has heard about the decision of European Court of Justice which allows individuals to submit requests to a search engine to remove certain results from searches on their names, and citing the same, requests the search engine and media outlet to remove the results.

Valid arguments can be advanced for making the Right to be Forgotten a fundamental right? What those arguments could be? What limitations, if any, can it be subjected to? Should there be any obligations on the search engines regarding cases which are no longer relevant, as the one mentioned above? 20

गजेन्द्र एक संघर्षरत फिल्म अभिनेता था। पहले तो उसे अभियुक्त बनाया गया और फिर बाद में उसे बलात्कार के आरोपों से मुक्त कर दिया गया। इन आरोपों को न्यायिक पीठ ने दुर्भावना से अभिप्रेरित और झूठा पाया। इस स्थिति का सामना न कर पाने के कारण उसने अपने पेशे में परिवर्तन करते हुए आगे का जीवन निर्वाह किया। तीस वर्ष पश्चात्, उसके घनिष्ठतम मित्रों को इस घटना के बारे में पता है किन्तु उसके सहकर्मी इस बात को नहीं जानते हैं। एक दिन उत्सुकतावश वह इंटरनेट पर अपने नाम की खोज करता है और आश्चर्यजनक रूप से यह पाता है दृष्टिगत तीसरी प्रविष्टि एक स्थानीय समाचारपत्र में उसके द्वारा सामना किए गए बलात्कार के आरोपों के बारे में एक पुरानी रिपोर्ट की है।

गजेन्द्र परेशान है; इतने वर्षों के बाद, वह इस घटना को केवल अपनी पसंद के लोगों के समक्ष प्रकट करना चाहेगा। उसने यूरोपीय न्यायालय के उस निर्णय के बारे में सुना है, जो व्यक्तियों को अपने नाम से की जाने वाली खोज संबंधी कुछ परिणामों को हटाए जाने हेतु सर्च इंजन को निवेदन प्रस्तुत करने की अनुमति प्रदान करता है और उसी का उद्धरण देते हुए, सर्च इंजन और मीडिया आउटलेट को परिणामों को हटाए जाने हेतु निवेदन करता है।

क्या "भुला दिए जाने के अधिकार" को मौलिक अधिकार बनाने हेतु वैध तर्क दिए जा सकते हैं? वे तर्क क्या हो सकते हैं? यदि उनकी कोई सीमाएं हैं तो वे सीमाएं क्या होंगी? ऊपर उल्लिखित प्रकरण की भांति अन्य अप्रासंगिक प्रकरणों के संबंध में क्या सर्च इंजनों का कोई दायित्व होना चाहिए?

(a) Yes, right to be forgotten can be written as a fundamental right and everyone has a right to keep his/her past secret ~~and~~.

Arguments:

(1) Person life of an individual also includes his actions taken in past - whether relevant or irrelevant - (2) he has the right to disclose the information to people (3) he wants.

(2) It can be jeopardising to his future prospects in professional life where background check by firms are a known phenomenon.

(3) He might lose a job due to those motivated & false, invalid charges.

(3) Personal life with friends, family might get affected adversely due to any action committed in past or any relationship of past which

may have died in real but  
is still alive on internet.

But, there have to be some  
limitations like every other rights.

① Search engines play an important  
role in the online life revealing  
of an individual. This may be  
beneficial to law enforcement  
agencies when cyber/online crime  
is increasing with every passing  
day eg Mohd Ali.

② Every such case is specific &  
special & it has to dealt  
separately. There can't be a  
universal comprehensive policy  
for this right & neither <sup>will</sup> mass  
requests be reasonable for  
deletion of content as sometimes  
an old antecedent may help in  
solving a new case.

(3) Other limitation can be the verified documents, regularly by ~~the~~ agencies made for the purpose should not be deleted which are relevant in the present context.

(C) On search engines, there ~~out~~ be an obligation because they handle hundreds of terabytes of data. Massive handling at this level can not effectively tell about relevance of a particular content or information. Also, collaboration between hosting website & search engine & public agencies of govt of that jurisdiction is important to comment on relevance of a content.



11. You are the officer in charge of overseeing refugees' related issues in a multilateral humanitarian organisation. There is an ethnicity based civil war going on in a region and as a result, many people are being displaced. Hitherto, the economically better-off neighbouring countries have accommodated the streams of migrants with financial support from your organisation. The violence in the region has increased recently and the flux of people seeking refuge has grown substantially. With countries sealing their borders, the refugees are left in a vulnerable situation. You are sent to negotiate for humanitarian settlement of refugees with the neighbouring countries, who also happen to be a powerful economic bloc. However, they refuse any more accommodation on the following grounds:

- (a) Drainage of resources in face of subdued economic conditions.
  - (b) Domestic political repercussions.
  - (c) Rehabilitation will encourage more influx and indirectly fuel the persecutors.
  - (d) Permanency of settlement in face of better prospects than at home.
- What are the counter-arguments that can be cited to convince the countries for an immediate solution? Suggest some long term measures as well that should be followed to address the problem. 20

आप एक बहुपक्षीय मानवतावादी संगठन में शरणार्थियों से संबंधित मुद्दों के निरीक्षण हेतु प्रभारी अधिकारी हैं। एक क्षेत्र में नस्ल आधारित गृहयुद्ध छिड़ा हुआ है, परिणामस्वरूप अनेक लोग विस्थापित हो रहे हैं। अभी तक, आर्थिक रूप से बेहतर स्थिति वाले पड़ोसी देशों ने आपके संगठन से प्राप्त वित्तीय सहायता से प्रवास करने वाले लोगों के जत्थों को स्थान दिया है। हाल ही में क्षेत्र में हिंसा बढ़ गयी है और शरण चाहने वाले लोगों का प्रवाह अत्यधिक बढ़ गया है। देश अपनी सीमाओं को सील कर रहे हैं, जिससे शरणार्थी सुभेद्य स्थिति में हैं। आपको उन पड़ोसी देशों से शरणार्थियों हेतु मानवतावादी आधार पर रहने की व्यवस्था करने हेतु वार्ता के लिए भेजा गया है। वे पड़ोसी देश आर्थिक रूप से शक्तिशाली गुट हैं। हालांकि वे निम्नलिखित आधारों पर और अधिक शरणार्थियों को स्थान देने से मना कर सकते हैं:

- (a) गिरती हुई आर्थिक स्थिति करने के कारण संसाधनों की कमी।
  - (b) घरेलू राजनैतिक प्रभाव।
  - (c) पुनर्वास और अधिक अंतर्वाह को प्रोत्साहित करेगा और अप्रत्यक्ष रूप से उत्पीड़कों या अत्याचारियों को उत्तेजित करेगा।
  - (d) अच्छी संभावनाओं के कारण अपने मूल देश की अपेक्षा यहीं पर स्थायी रूप से बस जाना।
- इन विकल्पों के विपक्ष में दिए जाने वाले तर्क कौन से हैं, जिनके माध्यम से राष्ट्रों को तत्काल समाधान के लिए राजी किया जा सकता है। कुछ दीर्घावधिक उपायों का सुझाव भी दीजिए जिनका समाधान के लिए पालन किया जाना चाहिए।

(a) Any country will have only fixed economic resources & rehabilitate certain people ~~but~~ and they are right in their own argument, but they should be countered by saying that financial support of my organization will supplement the resources of the nation. Also, public resources should be supplemented by private - i.e. one family can be asked to adopt one refugee family temporarily providing them food & shelter. ~~At~~

~~On the~~  
(b) Political repercussions should not be taken as negative for this crisis because it only shows the empathetic attitude of leader which will be appreciated by people.



(A) As regards to dispute between different religious communities, the lesson of secularism & tolerance of Europe should be taught to people and they must be persuaded through charisma of leader ~~in this~~ <sup>to</sup> direction to promote harmony & come forward to save humanity.

(C) ~~More influx~~ <sup>It</sup> will not encourage more influx of refugees, but it will show the true face of humanity to persecutors where they will be ashamed to carry on in the name of religion when actually people of other religion are giving refuge to them.

(d) Refugees should not be equated with the definition of economic migrants and their

intention should not be taken as mere focus of better economic prospects. This will defeat the purpose of Vienna convention and rather, Europe should set a precedent and especially, the country being an economic super power should come forward to lead the movement to make other countries ~~copy~~ follow the suit.

### Long-term measures:-

- 1) Convention is better than mere less intervention of outside governments in the domestic affairs of other countries.
- 2) Civil war based on ethnicity should not be supported at any side by nation states for their own benefits.

3) Fast negotiations at early sign of disturbances should be started rather than keeping it as a lingering issue for long which gives birth to org<sup>n</sup> like ISIS.

4) Mutual collaboration & joint effort of an all-out war against disturbing elements should be started without any kind of definition of good & bad terrorism.

12. You are a Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) in an urban district. The forest cover in the district is as low as 11% and it needs to be increased as per government guidelines. By ecological and environmental perspective also it is imperative that more trees should be planted.

However, you find out that while there is a grant of Rs. 1.5 crore for your division to plant trees under the Hariyali Scheme, most of this fund is lying unused. Since, it is December and as per government rules all the unused grant should be returned to the government as the financial year closes, it seems you will have to return the money completely.

Also, there are strong indications from the ministry that government is mulling over a budgetary cut on Hariyali mission because most of the funds go unused. There is a strong possibility that if you return the money in this financial year you won't get it in the next financial year and even if you get, it will be a very insignificant amount.

Indicate various options that you think are available in this situation. Evaluate these options and choose the most appropriate path to be adopted?

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आप एक शहरी जिले में मंडल वन अधिकारी (डी.एफ.ओ.) हैं। जिले में वनाच्छादन 11 प्रतिशत कम है और इसे सरकारी दिशा-निर्देशों के अनुसार बढ़ाया जाना है। पारिस्थितिकीय एवं पर्यावरणीय दृष्टिकोण से भी अधिक संख्या में वृक्षारोपण किया जाना अनिवार्य है।

यद्यपि आप यह पाते हैं कि आपके मंडल (डिवीजन) में हरियाली योजना के अधीन वृक्षारोपण हेतु 1.5 करोड़ रुपए का अनुदान है, लेकिन इस फंड का अधिकांश भाग अप्रयुक्त है। चूंकि यह दिसंबर का महीना है और सरकारी नियमों के अनुसार, समस्त अप्रयुक्त अनुदान सरकार को लौटा दिया जाना चाहिए क्योंकि वित्तीय वर्ष समाप्त हो जाता है। ऐसा प्रतीत होता है कि आपको पूरी राशि लौटानी होगी।

साथ ही, मंत्रालय से इस बात के निश्चित संकेत हैं कि सरकार हरियाली योजना के अंतर्गत बजट कम करने पर विचार कर रही है क्योंकि फंड का अधिकांश भाग अप्रयुक्त रह जाता है। इस बात के निश्चित संकेत हैं कि यदि आप वित्तीय वर्ष में राशि लौटाते हैं तो अगले वित्तीय वर्ष में यह आपको नहीं मिलेगा और यदि मिल भी जाता है तो वह राशि बहुत कम होगी।

स्वयं के अनुसार इस स्थिति में उपलब्ध विभिन्न विकल्पों के संबंध में बताएं। इन विकल्पों का मूल्यांकन करें और अपनाए जा सकने वाले सर्वाधिक उपयुक्त मार्ग का चयन करें।

Options available

1) As per the rules, there is very little time left to use the lying funds and therefore, whatever can be released by March, will be used & rest shall be returned to govt.

This option will be as per guidelines of govt and there will be no modifications required in our rules.

But, the money that I could have used effectively for plantation will be lost & it will be detrimental to interests of public, environment & will set a bad precedent for a financial management system. Therefore, it is not the desirable action.

(2) <sup>Second</sup> ~~the~~ option is to request the govt to keep the funds in the account — but these decisions are made alike for all depts & a selective treatment of my dept will set a bad precedent at top level, even if done. Hence its not desirable.

(3) Third option is that there are still three months left in close of financial year & a lot can be done in this much time.

There should be an all-out war ~~ago to solve this~~ ~~expans~~ spend this money in the most efficient manner and best usage of resources manpower & time should be done.

Bottom level functionaries should be directed to take up the plantation of fixed number in the allotted area & work should be completed in two or months.

Leaving & giving up the implementation of ~~it~~ ~~at~~ scheme just because its December already is not deliverable, and

it will show weak will power  
of leader if left at that  
point.





13. You, an anthropologist, have developed cordial relations with a tribal community which was hitherto isolated from rest of the humanity. Notwithstanding increased interest of researchers and media for the newly discovered tribe, you are the only person from outside whom they trust. They are ardent believers in their goddess and, trusting you, take you to her abode on a holy mountain. To your surprise, you find that the mountain is a reservoir of Uranium that can be used in your power-starved country's nuclear power plants. Besides, you are aware that Uranium being radioactive, it is highly risky to go near the mountain. You try to convince the people about harmful effects it can have and the utilitarian value that it possess for the country. However, they are in no mood to argue and politely ask you to leave. You fear that very soon the outside world will find about this and the vulnerable tribe would be displaced from their land.

(a) Evaluate the following courses of action which you can take for their ethical merits and demerits:

i. You would continue to convince the people yourself about the possible consequences and urge them to relocate.

ii. You would call in local and national NGOs for protecting the rights of the people against the State and file a PIL in Supreme Court if the State proceeds with dispossession.

iii. You would yourself tell the government and the scientific community about the reserves and let them proceed in their own way.

(b) Without restricting yourself to the above options, state the course of action that you would take and why?

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आप एक नृविज्ञानी हैं और आपने वैसे जनजातीय समुदाय के साथ मधुर संबंध बनाए हैं जो अब तक शेष मानवजाति से पृथक था। नई खोजी गई जनजाति में मीडिया और शोधकर्ताओं की बढ़ती रुचि के पश्चात् भी आप अकेले ऐसे बाहरी व्यक्ति हैं जिन पर वे विश्वास करते हैं। वे अपनी देवी के अनन्य उपासक हैं और आप पर विश्वास करते हुए एक दिन वे आपको एक पवित्र पहाड़ पर स्थित उसके वास स्थल पर ले जाते हैं। आप इस बात से आश्चर्यचकित हो जाते हैं कि वह पहाड़ यूरेनियम का भंडार है जिसका उपयोग ऊर्जा की कमी से जूझते आपके देश के नाभकीय ऊर्जा संयंत्रों में किया जा सकता है। साथ ही, आप इस बात से भी अवगत हैं कि यूरेनियम के रेडियोधर्मी होने के कारण पहाड़ के निकट जाना अत्यधिक संकटपूर्ण है। आप लोगों को इसके क्षतिकारक प्रभावों और राष्ट्र के लिए इसकी उपयोगिता के मूल्य के संबंध में समझाने का प्रयास करते हैं। चूंकि वे अभी किसी तर्क-वितर्क की मुद्रा में नहीं हैं और आपसे सविनय चले जाने को कहते हैं। आपको इस बात का भय है कि शीघ्र ही बाह्य जगत इस संबंध में जान जाएगा और सुभेद्य जनजातीय लोग अपनी भूमि से विस्थापित हो जाएंगे।

(a) नैतिक औचित्य और अनौचित्य के आधार पर आपके द्वारा उठाए जाने वाले कदम का मूल्यांकन करें:

- i. आप लोगों को संभावित परिणामों के संबंध में समझाना जारी रखेंगे और उन्हें पुनर्स्थापित होने को प्रेरित करेंगे।
- ii. आप राज्य के विरुद्ध निवासियों के अधिकारों की रक्षा के लिए स्थानीय एवं राष्ट्रीय गैर-सरकारी संगठनों को आमंत्रित करेंगे और यदि राज्य निर्वासन की दिशा में बढ़ता है तो आप सर्वोच्च न्यायालय में एक जनहित याचिका प्रस्तुत करेंगे।
- iii. आप स्वयं सरकार एवं विज्ञान जगत को भंडार के संबंध में बताएंगे तत्पश्चात् उन्हें उनकी इच्छानुसार कार्यवाही के लिए स्वतंत्र छोड़ देंगे।

(b) अपने आपको उपर्युक्त विकल्पों तक सीमित न करते हुए, उन उपायों को बताएं जिन्हें आप अमल में लाना चाहेंगे। ऐसा करने का कारण भी बताएं।

(1<sup>st</sup>) Merits & Demerits

They have been worshipping the Goddess from long time & it's very unlikely that they will be convinced easily. However, use of scientific experiments shown by taking uranium enriched soil and telling them about such possible consequences may give them an insight about it.

But, the utilitarian value of U should not be emphasised much as it will make them think that we want it for our self-interests & will be less likely to be convinced.

But, effective communication & integrating them in the process is the preferable option and ~~other~~ ~~options~~ ~~there~~

(i) Calling in local NGOs at this point will increase the rust deficit between two sides & will be detrimental to the cause. However, separately meeting the rights activists to apprise them of the situation might be more preferred course of action where there can be mutual discussion & debate about policy ~~is~~ required.

(ii) Telling yourself to the govt & people & letting them <sup>proceed</sup> in their own way will be jeopardising ~~them~~ of ~~the~~ their rights and should not be done.

Reserves, should not be used at the cost of our local population's emotional & they should be effectively told about the consequences of

Uranium on health by someone who has their <sup>trust</sup>, and not pure outsiders.

(b) The possible course of action should be :-

① Have a meet with scientists to devise a basic naive method of showing the consequences of ~~not~~ uranium on human health. This will deter them from exposing themselves in that mountain.

② Have a separate meet with NGOs & rights based experts in tribal areas who can interact well with these communities and build the trust slowly, then with the step no ①, they should be convinced to move to a safer

area. It should be emphasised that forests where they have to move or area will be similar & basic arrangements of health centres, education will be made in the newer area & they should be provided with the basic infrastructure after dealing with govt, along with proper compensation.

At this point, no talk about usage of V-reserve should be done to them & they should be given funds to build a newer temple of their Goddess in the rehabilitated area by NGOs & KBAs.

only after this, govt should move towards utilization of V-reserves for nuclear power plants.

14. A junior member of staff has just returned to work after taking special leave to care for her elderly mother. For financial reasons she needs to work full-time. She has been having difficulties with her mother's home care arrangements, causing her to miss a number of team meetings (which usually take place at the beginning of each day) and to leave work early. She is very competent in her work but her absences are putting pressure on her and her overworked colleagues. You are her manager, and you are aware that the flow of work through the practice is coming under pressure. One of her male colleagues is beginning to make comments such as "a woman's place is in the home", and is undermining her at every opportunity, putting her under even greater stress.

What possible steps can you take to ensure that the work of the team does not suffer while also taking other humanitarian considerations into account.

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अपनी बुजुर्ग मां की देखभाल के लिए विशेष छुट्टी पर रहने के पश्चात् एक कनिष्ठ कर्मी कार्य पर लौटी है। वित्तीय कारणों से उसे पूरे समय कार्य करने की आवश्यकता है। उसे अपनी मां के लिए घर पर देखभाल की व्यवस्था करने में कठिनाई आ रही है जिस कारण वह कई टीम बैठकों (जो प्रायः प्रति दिन, दिन के आरंभ में होते हैं) में उपस्थित नहीं हो पा रही है और वह कार्यालय से घर भी जल्दी चली जाती है। वह अपने कार्य में बहुत ही सक्षम है, लेकिन उसकी अनुपस्थित उसके ऊपर और काम के बोझ तले दबे उसके सहकर्मियों के ऊपर दबाव का कार्य कर रही है। आप एक प्रबंधक हैं और आप इस बात से अवगत हैं कि इस चलन से कार्य प्रवाह पर दबाव पड़ रहा है। उसके एक पुरुष सहकर्मी ने "एक महिला का स्थान घर में होता है" जैसे ताने भी मारने आरंभ कर दिये हैं और वह उसे प्राप्त हो सकने वाले प्रत्येक अवसर के संबंध में कमजोर बना रहा है जिससे वह और भी गहन तनाव का अनुभव कर रही है। सभी मानवीय पहलुओं का ध्यान रखते हुए, इन परिस्थितियों में टीम का कार्य प्रभावित न हो, यह सुनिश्चित करने के लिए आप कौन से कदम उठाएंगे?

*This is the case of work-life balance which is evident in many places in the modern society, where a woman takes care of outside work but is not divested of her domestic responsibilities.*

Steps that can be taken are:-

① Offer a day-care worker to her for elderly care of her mother. Though, some people think of it as immoral as they want to take care of their parents themselves, it can be a solution here as she is alone managing everything.

② Team meetings can be arranged on telephone or video conferencing as well along with office at the same time to ensure that she is able to attend them, while being at home.

③ Provision of 'work from home' should be extended to her where it is ensured that collective & individual responsibilities are

not hampered.

④ I will have a talk with male member of the team harassing her and will ask him to be empathetic about her situation & ~~should~~ not to take gender bias at the work-place, especially when the employee has been very efficient in her job.

⑤ ~~Support of employee~~





