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SECTION - A

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

1. (a) Highlighting the attributes of leadership, analyse why it is important for a civil servant. (10)

नेतृत्व (लीडरशिप) के गुणों पर प्रकाश डालते हुए, विश्लेषण कीजिए कि यह एक सिविल सेवक के लिए महत्वपूर्ण क्यों है।

Leadership, put simply, is the ability to lead - that is - to guide and direct others, or influence them favourably. One finds leaders in all spheres:-

- Political leaders.
- Role models like successful scientists etc.

ATTRIBUTES of leadership	Need for a civil servant
1. <u>Emotional intelligence</u> - to understand and manipulate emotions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ To control one's own emotions / anxiety in the course of public service. ◦ To understand & manipulate other's emotions. ↳ eg. motivating a team.
2. <u>Positive attitude</u>	◦ To efficiently perform a task.

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- To tide over any short-term failures.
 - ↳ eg. positive attitude towards ambitious Swachh Bharat targets propels the officers to work hard.

3. Goal-oriented

- Helps achieve efficiency
- centered around outcomes.
 - ↳ eg. vaccination drive targets must be fulfilled, and leaders can help do so, if they are goal-oriented.

4. Teamwork

- A leader must also be a good teammate. For a civil servant, they can lead by example and become good role models.
 - ↳ eg. officers breaking caste stereotypes

1. (b) A civil servant needs to be objective as well as empathetic. What do you understand by objectivity? Discuss its relationship with empathy. (10)

सिविल सेवक को वस्तुनिष्ठ होने के साथ-साथ समानुभूति रखने वाला भी होना चाहिए। वस्तुनिष्ठता से आप क्या समझते हैं? समानुभूति के साथ इसके संबंधों की विवेचना कीजिए।

The 2nd ARC report recognises OBJECTIVITY and EMPATHY as core ethics guiding civil servants.

Need for

OBJECTIVITY	EMPATHY
<p>1. In order to understand the situation and take <u>merit based decision</u>.</p> <p>↳ <u>efficiency</u> and <u>effectiveness</u>.</p>	<p>1. To better serve the citizens with the <u>spirit of service</u>.</p>
<p>2. In order to take an <u>unbiased view</u> of a situation.</p> <p>↳ <u>fairness</u>, <u>justice</u></p>	<p>2. To be able to understand the <u>consequences</u> of one's role as a civil servant.</p>
	<p>3. Can deter from <u>unethical acts</u> like <u>corruption</u>.</p> <p>↳ eg. One may not want to deal from poor citizens.</p>

By Objectivity, I understand the ability to take a merit based decision in a

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situation. One is unaffected by any fear or favour, affection or ill will.

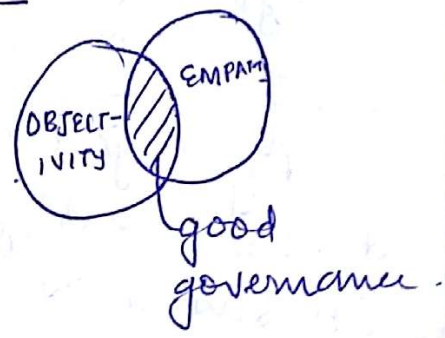
↳ Putting out tenders for procurement instead of simply awarding the task to 'known' people, is an example.

Objectivity's relation with EMPATHY
or the ability to imagine the
others predicament is rather

Complex :-

1. might HINDER objectivity.
↳ A civil servant empathy for marginalised citizens might compel them to grant ration CPDS, even if the rules say no.

2. might promote objectivity, and by extension, good governance.



2. (a) With rapidly increasing use of information technology, what according to you is the role of ethics in cyber space? (10)

सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी के तेजी से बढ़ते उपयोग के साथ, आपके अनुसार साइबर जगत में नीतिशास्त्र की क्या भूमिका है?

The use of Information Technology is rapidly increasing. Digital devices and media have penetrated our lives like never before; as seen in case of

- Political advertisements before elections.
- Targetted online shopping ads.

In this case role of ethics in cyberspace is important considering: -

1. Widespread unethical acts on cyberspace like

- Cyberbullying / Stalking
- Hate speech.
- Hacking.
- Data theft (eg. Cambridge Analytica scandal)

2. Malafide activity on cybers-

pace like the suicide game
BLUE WHALE.

3. Promoting real violence and
crime via cyberspace,

↳ ISIS propaganda
↳ mob lynching
↳ Christchurch bombing

4. Take news and faulty
narratives. ignore the truth.

Ethics can help
in cyberspace by democratising
the medium, and creating
a standard for political and
other discourse.

1. Self-regulatory social media
code during Indian elections
among facebook and Twitter

2. Prosecution for hate speech
through sections of IT Act.

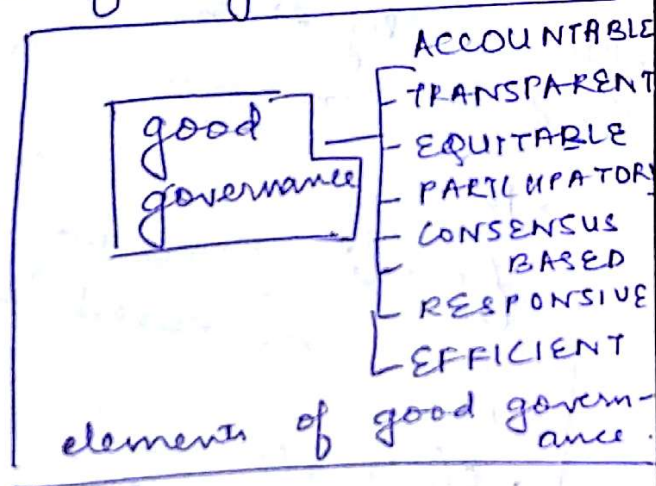
It is imperative,
lest we fall for SCIENCE WITHOUT
HUMANITY, a cardinal sin in Gandhi's
view.

2. (b) Transparency in government organisations is an essential pre-condition for good governance. Elucidate. (10)

सरकारी संगठनों में पारदर्शिता सुशासन की आवश्यक पूर्वपिछा है। स्पष्ट कीजिए।

Transparency is the ability of being open as an organisation and proactively sharing any information to all stakeholders. It is often called an essential precondition for good governance.

In India, it is ensured by the provisions of the RTI Act.



1) Transparency promotes the elements of good governance.

a) Proactive sharing enforces ACCOUNTABILITY or answerability for actions.

b) Participation and consensus is ensured when people are aware of the information.

c) Equity is promoted in providing the information to all, in a democratic fashion.

d) Responsive and efficient governance is ensured if the civil servants are aware of the transparency needs.

2.) Not only this, it deters bad governance.

↳ Many scams like 2G, fodder scam in India were uncovered through RTI.

↳ Officials are more conscientious when they know that disclosure will happen.

3) Transparency is itself an element of good governance.

Thus, transparency is an essential precondition for good governance.

3. Given below are quotations of moral thinkers/philosophers. Bring out what they mean to you in the present context:

नीचे नैतिक विचारकों/दार्शनिकों के उद्धरण दिए गए हैं। स्पष्ट कीजिए कि वर्तमान संदर्भ में आपके लिए इनके क्या निहितार्थ हैं:

(a) A nation should not be judged by how it treats its highest citizens but its lowest ones. Nelson Mandela (10)

राष्ट्र का आंकलन इस बात से नहीं किया जाना चाहिए कि वह अपने श्रेष्ठतर नागरिकों के साथ कैसा व्यवहार करता है, बल्कि इस बात से किया जाना चाहिए कि वह अपने निम्नतर नागरिकों के साथ कैसा व्यवहार करता है। - नेल्सन मंडेला।

This statement by Nelson Mandela, a doyen of the anti apartheid and discrimination struggle in South Africa mentions that nations must and by extension, governance should be judged by how the lowest citizens are treated, not the most privileged.

Almost all nations tend to treat their aristocracy well.

- Hitler's Germany and the privileged Aryans.
- Kim Jong il's North Korea and the royalty.
- The rich in America.

Thus, it is seldom a hallmark of good governance what is good for the privileged may wreck havoc for the marginalised. Mandela puts forth a powerful argument in favour of social justice for all.

In India, we still suffer from caste and gender based marginalisation.

- ↳ Manual scavenging among the Dalits primarily.
- ↳ Poor female representation in politics and literacy.

An essential element of good governance is to bring the marginalised to the mainstream, through equity and inclusion.

3. (b) The highest education is that which does not merely give us information but makes our life in harmony with all existence. Rabindranath Tagore (10)

श्रेष्ठतम शिक्षा वह है जो न केवल हमें जानकारी प्रदान करती है, अपितु सभी के अस्तित्व के साथ हमारे जीवन का सामंजस्य भी स्थापित करती है। - रवींद्रनाथ टैगोर

From Rabindranath Tagore, an avid educationist himself, puts forth a powerful argument in favour of a holistic system of education.

Problems with a merely knowledge-giving education system are:-

1. Gandhi's cardinal sin of KNOWLEDGE WITHOUT CHARACTER

2. Might cause misuse of knowledge in anti-social activities like creating nuclear bombs.

3. Social evils like crime, rising abandonment of aged parents are promoted

A holistic education system promotes harmony with

- all existence and is desirable.
- 1.) Moral education and training in empathy, integrity and spirit of service.
 - 2.) Sustainability.
 - ↳ kindness towards other creatures.
 - ↳ Benevolent use of ~~finite~~ resources.
 - 3.) Knowledge, both theoretical and practical.

for a civil servant, these elements are even more important, considering the impact that they can have on the public.

Thus, to educate the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.

4. (a) For achieving success attitude is equally, if not more important than ability. Discuss with the help of examples from your daily life. (10)

सफल होने के लिए, अभिवृत्ति क्षमता से अधिक नहीं तो, क्षमता जितनी ही महत्वपूर्ण है। अपने दैनिक जीवन के उदाहरणों की सहायता से विवेचना कीजिए।

Success, or the milestone that we consider desirable, can be achieved through a trinity of attitude, aptitude and right circumstances.

Having the right aptitude without attitude or the predisposition to act a certain way might hinder success.

1. Having the ability to run, but not the right attitude, will seldom make a sports person.

2. The aptitude to acquire knowledge but not the attitude to follow through.

3. Civil servants who take bribes have the aptitude to be a good civil servant but the wrong attitude.

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Yet the correct attitude may not be enough. Attitude can help a person practise, become dedicated, and interested in a task. But other elements matter too: -

1) ABILITY / APTITUDE :-

↳ Despite the right attitude every star gazer does not end up as an astronaut,

2) CIRCUMSTANCE :-

↳ A poor child who has the ability to learn and the attitude, but not the resources might not succeed

Thus, success is a complex mix of the three -



4. (b) The core of high Emotional Intelligence is self-awareness. If you don't understand your own motivations and behaviours, it is nearly impossible to develop an understanding of others. Discuss with the help of appropriate examples. (10)

उच्च भावनात्मक समझ का मूल आत्म-जागरूकता है। यदि आप स्वयं की अभिप्रेरणाओं और व्यवहार को नहीं समझते हैं, तो दूसरों की अभिप्रेरणाओं और व्यवहारों की समझ विकसित करना लगभग असंभव है। उपयुक्त उदाहरणों की सहायता से विवेचना कीजिए।

Emotional intelligence is the ability to understand and manipulate one's own and others' emotions in one's favour. It's the unique intersection of the mind and heart.

However, without self-awareness or understanding one's own emotions / motivations, EI is nearly impossible.

- 1) Our emotions help us understand those of others. A civil servant in a conflict zone might not be able to understand public anger of protesters if she is not in control of her own. Without empathising, she can't show EI or understand others.

2) ~~It~~ ~~also~~ self awareness allows us to tide over self-centrism

↳ Only if one knows how to tackle one's own emotions can one understand others.

Thus, self awareness is an important component of Emotional intelligence.

5. (a) What do you understand by Integrity Pacts? Highlight the role they can play in bringing transparency in allotment of public contracts and ensuring proper utilization of public funds in India. (10)

सत्यनिष्ठा समझौता (इंटीग्रिटी पैक्ट्स) से आप क्या समझते हैं? भारत में सार्वजनिक अनुबंधों के आवंटन में पारदर्शिता लाने और सार्वजनिक निधि के समुचित उपयोग को सुनिश्चित करने में इसके द्वारा निभाई जा सकने वाली भूमिका पर प्रकाश डालिए।

An integrity pact is a signed commitment between the bidder and the contractor (usually government in case of public procurement) to not use unfair practices during procurement.



Role in transparency and allocation of public funds: -

1. Usually involves disclosure of information publicly, so that civil society (public, NGOs) can hold the parties accountable.
 ↳ promotes transparency.

2. Promotes awareness about the stakeholders in the bid

↳ For instance, it can concern the public if an unethical practices accused company like 'maggi' (Nestle) acquires contract for midday meals.

3. Helps the civil society enforce accountability regarding the usage and economy of public funds; since they may be aware of prices floated by all bidders.

4. Two-way commitment ensures that even if one side falters, the other might not.

Thus, integrity, transparency and proper use of public funds, can ensure accountability and proper use of public funds.

5. (b) In the context of rapid technological change, discuss the significance of inculcating moral and spiritual values in educational institutions. (10)

द्वत गति से हो रहे तकनीकी परिवर्तनों के संदर्भ में, शैक्षणिक संस्थानों में नैतिक और आध्यात्मिक मूल्यों को अंतर्निविष्ट करने के महत्व की विवेचना कीजिए।

As technology advances, the significance of moral and spiritual values in education increases: -

1. New ethical threats that might emerge from technology need to be stemmed

↳ Cyberstalking, child porn etc.

2. The potential of technology to be used in destructive activity

↳ School shooting in USA at Sandy Hook Elementary by a child perpetrator.

3. Liding over one's own emotional state of alienation and depression

↳ Rising suicides in the

Technology driven age
are testament to the
impact on mental
health :

→ Spirituality can help
center an individual,
and resolve this stress

Thus, moral and
spiritual education is import-
ant, and even more so in
the fast-paced technology
driven era.

6. Explain the main elements of integral humanism as propounded by Deen Dayal Upadhyay and highlight its contemporary relevance. (10)

दीनदयाल उपाध्याय द्वारा प्रतिपादित एकात्म मानववाद के मुख्य तत्वों की व्याख्या कीजिए और इसकी समकालीन प्रासंगिकता पर प्रकाश डालिए।

Deendayal Upadhyay's Integral Humanism was based on an individual's unwavering commitment to the nation.
↳ In contemporary times, it represents the spirit of service that we expect out of civil servants.

It had many Gandhian features, that gave importance to the cultural-natural factors.
1. SARVODAYA [Benefit of all].

↳ Relevance :-

- uplift of marginalised eg. women's reservation, tribal education,
- Community development programmes and government schemes.

2. SWADESHI [indigenous].

↳ Relevance

- o Rising trade wars and flooding exports imports.
- o Indigenous values of respecting nature, the aged can be upheld.

3. GRAM SWARAJ [village self-rule].

↳ Relevance :-

- o Panchayati Raj

Thus, this model was a perspective of what India of the future should look like. In many ways, it is still relevant.

7. It is imperative for a country like India, that code of ethics should be implemented for civil servants on social media platforms as well. Discuss.

(10)

भारत जैसे राष्ट्र में, सोशल मीडिया प्लेटफॉर्म पर भी सिविल सेवकों हेतु आचार संहिता लागू किया जाना अत्यावश्यक है। चर्चा कीजिए।

In a country like India, with its monumental diversity of identities and opinions, social media also reflects this diversity.

However, for a civil servant, who is concerned with public service a code of ethics for social media is needed; because :-

1) Impact of civil servants on the minds of the people

- ↳ As role models
- ↳ As representatives of the welfare state

- What civil servants express, affects the public perception of the government.

- It might also affect society. eg. civil servant espousing bigoted views might reinforce

- the same in society.
2. Tendency to express partisan or political opinions goes against the ethics of non-partisanship expected from them.
 3. Instances of hacking, and 'honey-trapping' of officials
↳ security concerns for civil servants taking bold decisions like cracking down on the sand mafia are intensified.
 4. Acting of guarances with employer in a public capacity might violate the oath of secrecy ..

Thus through social media is useful in many ways, it can be regulated through a code of conduct for civil servants.

8. Discuss how effective corporate governance can ensure the equitable treatment of all stakeholders. (10)

चर्चा कीजिए कि किस प्रकार प्रभावी कॉर्पोरेट गवर्नेंस सभी हितधारकों के साथ न्यायसंगत व्यवहार सुनिश्चित कर सकती है।

Effective corporate governance implies ethical, accountable and transparent decision-making in the corporate sector. Though corporates don't perform public functions, they can impact the public.

- ↳ eg. Dam/mining project.
- ↳ eg. Resource exploitation.
- ↳ eg. Bhopal gas tragedy.

Effective corporate governance benefits all stakeholders equally in an equitable fashion.

	Stakeholders	
	SHAREHOLDER	COMMUNITY
Concern →	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • profit. • safety of their investment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • development. • No adverse impact.
		GOVERNMENT
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • taxation. • public responsibility

If effective corporate governance is carried out, these stakes are protected:-

① Shareholders benefit from safe investment and profit
 ↳ MINORITY shareholders are represented, as cited by Aday Kotak committee.

② Community benefits from Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and non-maleficence.
 ↳ consultation and Environmental Impact assessment (EIA) before launching projects to assuage concern.

③ Government benefits from taxation, and maintainance of law and order by the Corporate.

Thus effective corporate governance benefits all stakeholders.

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 posted as the Superintendent of Police (SP) in a district of a state where alcohol prohibition has been imposed recently. The District Excise department has conducted many raids and seized liquor in large quantities, for which it has received state-wide public appreciation. A few months later reports surface in the media that in this district, hundreds of seized bottles of illicit liquor are missing from the government malkhanas or stores. As a result, the government is left red-faced. You are asked by the DM, who is the overall in-charge of the district excise setup, to investigate the matter. Upon investigation, you unearth a nexus of politicians and government officials who smuggled seized liquor and sold it through spurious means both inside and outside the state.

In this context, evaluate these options:

1. Report your findings to the DM and seek instructions for further actions, stating clearly the criminal offences committed prima facie.
2. Charge all accused under legal provisions and let the law take its own course.
3. Being aware of the seriousness of the matter, discretely put the detailed investigation report in the public domain and expose the nexus.

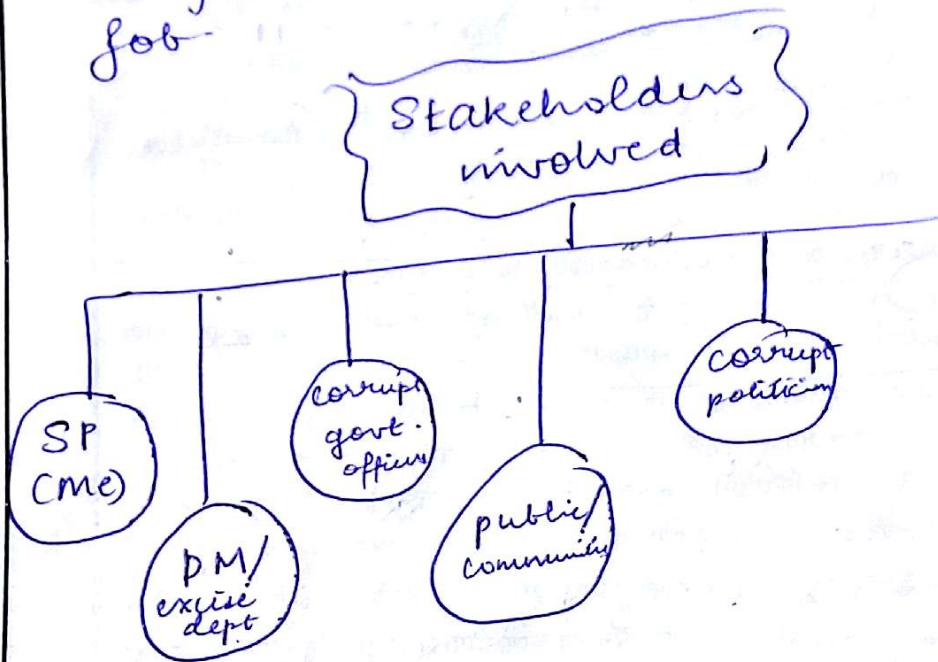
Also, suggest without restricting yourself to the given options, the final course of action that you would prefer.

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आप हाल ही में मद्यपान निषिद्ध करने वाले एक राज्य के एक जिले में पुलिस अधीक्षक (SP) के रूप में पदस्थापित किए गए हैं। जिला आवकारी विभाग ने कई छापे मारे और बड़ी मात्रा में शराब जब्त की है, जिसके लिए उसे राज्यव्यापी सार्वजनिक सराहना मिली है। कुछ महीनों बाद मीडिया में यह खबर आई कि इस जिले में, सैकड़ों अवैध शराब की बोटलें सरकारी मलखाने या स्टोर से गायब हैं। फलस्वरूप, सरकार को शर्मिंदा होना पड़ा। जिला आवकारी ढांचे के समग्र प्रभारी DM द्वारा आपको इस प्रकरण की जाँच का कार्य सौंपा गया है। जाँच करने पर, आपको उन राजनेताओं और सरकारी अधिकारियों के बीच सांठगांठ का पता चलता है, जो जब्त की गई शराब की तस्करी करते थे और अवैध माध्यमों से उसे राज्य में तथा राज्य के बाहर बेचते थे। इस संदर्भ में, निम्नलिखित विकल्पों का मूल्यांकन कीजिए:

1. अपनी जाँच के परिणाम DM के समाने रखेंगे और स्पष्ट रूप से यह बात बताते हुए कि प्रथम दृष्टया आपराधिक कृत्य किये गए हैं, आगे की कार्यवाही के लिए निर्देश मांगेंगे।
2. सभी अभियुक्तों को कानूनी प्रावधानों के अंतर्गत आरोपित बनाएंगे और कानून को अपना काम करने देंगे।
3. इस प्रकरण की गंभीरता से अवगत होने के नाते, विस्तृत जाँच रिपोर्ट को अलग से सार्वजनिक डोमेन में रखेंगे और सांठगांठ का खुलासा करेंगे। साथ ही, दिए गए विकल्पों तक अपने आपको सीमित न रखते हुए, अंतिम कार्यवाही का सुझाव दीजिए जिसे आप वरीयता देंगे।

This case reflects the unethical practices of politicians and officers. It also poses an ethical dilemma for the honest officer - to fall in line, or do one's job.



On considering the given options :-

1) **OPTION-1** : Report findings to DM and seek instructions.

a) **MERITS** :-

• Consultative approach might

- lead to better decisions.
- o Nexus is still exposed to the administration.

b) DEMERITS :-

- o Possibility of disagree-
ment with the DM on
future course.
- o Transparency for the
public is not upheld.

2) OPTION-2 : Charge the accused.

a) MERITS :-

- o The nexus is now in
public eye.
- o Justice and law prevails
↳ Constitutional morality
of 'no person above
the law upheld'

b) DEMERITS :-

- o Might invite political
pressure for the DM and
SP (me).
- o Excess public and media
outrage might derail the

investigation.

3) OPTION-3: discreetly reveal to the public.

a) MERITS: -

- o Right to know of people (Art-14) is upheld.
- o The nexus is exposed.

b) DEMERITS

- o Might violate the Civil Service (Conduct rules)
- o mob justice on media is a possibility.

Considering the above evaluation, my future course of action will be broadly guided by ① and ②. Option ③ is rejected, since it is not the course of justice; and I have not exhausted other institutional options.

Future course of Action:-

1) Clearly recording my findings to the DM stating the offense committed.

↳ It puts the crime on record.

↳ Since the DM requested the investigation, s(he) should be intimated.

2) Charge the accused using relevant sections of the IPC and let the law take its course.

↳ ensures justice is delivered.

↳ Equality before law,
(Art. 14)

3) Any disciplinary proceedings against errant civil servant can occur now.

10. You are posted as a District Magistrate in a Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected district. The district has witnessed many instances of violence by the naxalites in the past. It has been observed that instances of violence increase as the elections approach. You, as a Returning Officer, are responsible for the smooth conduct of elections. Soon after the announcement of elections, the naxalites gave a call for their boycott and have been threatening people to stay away from them. The people of the district are eager to exercise their voting rights but are scared of the impending acts of violence. Further, with threat to their lives and a low expected turnout, the other electoral officers are also reluctant to go to these areas.

In this context, answer the following:

- (a) Identify the civil service values that are crucial for working in such adversities.
(b) Suggest a plan of action to ensure the conduct of free and fair elections in such a situation. (20)

आप वामपंथी उग्रवाद (LWE) से प्रभावित एक जिले में जिला मजिस्ट्रेट के रूप में पदस्थापित हैं। अतीत में यह जिला नक्सलियों द्वारा हिंसा की कई घटनाओं का साक्षी रहा है। यह देखा गया है कि चुनावों के निकट आने पर हिंसा की घटनाएं बढ़ जाती हैं। एक रिटर्निंग ऑफिसर के रूप में, आप चुनावों के सुचारु संचालन के लिए उत्तरदायी हैं। चुनावों की घोषणा के शीघ्र बाद, नक्सलियों ने चुनाव के बहिष्कार का आह्वान किया है और लोगों को मतदान से दूर रहने की धमकी दे रहे हैं। जिले के लोग अपने मताधिकार का प्रयोग करने के लिए उत्सुक हैं, लेकिन हिंसा द्वारा रोड़े अटकाने के कार्यों से भयाक्रांत हैं। इसके अतिरिक्त, अपने जीवन के लिए खतरा और कम अपेक्षित मतदान के कारण, अन्य निर्वाचन अधिकारी भी इन क्षेत्रों में जाने के लिए अनिच्छुक हैं।

इस संदर्भ में, निम्नलिखित प्रश्नों के उत्तर दीजिए:

- (a) सिविल सेवा के उन मूल्यों की पहचान कीजिए, जो इस तरह की प्रतिकूलताओं में कार्य करने हेतु महत्वपूर्ण हैं।
(b) ऐसी स्थिति में स्वतंत्र और निष्पक्ष चुनाव का संचालन सुनिश्चित करने हेतु एक कार्य योजना का सुझाव दीजिए।

*Left wing extremism
affected areas provide highly
adverse and hostile conditions
for an administrator.*

a) For working in such advers-
aries, the following civil
services values must be
upheld.

① **Selflessness**, that is, public
before one's own concerns.
↳ The electoral officers
must go and conduct
elections, despite threat,
to uphold public good.

② **Integrity**: Thought is not to
be separated from practice.
↳ Officers believing in
democracy must now help
enfranchise the voters.

③ **LEADERSHIP**: to lead by example
as the Returning officer, I
will go to the districts so that
other officers can follow.
↳ Requesting security, since
goal of conducting election

must be upheld.

④ HONESTY: to counter any fake propaganda, that might deter voters.

↳ Also, honesty over the threat that voters face, so that they make an informed choice.

⑤ ACCOUNTABILITY and TRANSPARENCY: To generate public trust, without which operating in this hostile environment is difficult.

⑥ SPIRIT OF SERVICE: To go the extra mile and ensure that election is conducted.

↳ eg. providing secure transport for voters / disabled voters.

b) Possible plan of Action

- 1) Reassuring the voters that their right to life will be upheld through campaigns
- 2) Requesting necessary protection for the administrators:-
 - ↳ Bullet-proof jackets.
 - ↳ Mine-proof vehicles,
 - ↳ Police protection.

— This allows officers to work fearlessly.
- 3) Protection for voters:-
 - ↳ transport provision if need be.
 - ↳ Maintenance of law and order.
 - ↳ Any preventive detention of extremists if needed.

~~In this way,~~
~~the ballot might beat the~~
~~bullet.~~

4) Proper conduct of elections.

↳ Secret ballot should be upheld.
↳ strict monitoring of any lapses.

5) Crackdown on voter intimidation through relevant sections of the law.

In this way, the ballot can beat the bullet.

11. You are posted as a District Magistrate in a district, where many large factories and commercial establishments are located. One such factory is owned by one of your close friends. You visit each other's home frequently and are often seen in public together.

Recently, media reported about poor working conditions in your friend's factory. Upon enquiry with the labor office, you come to know that the factory has witnessed frequent labour unrests in the past as well. However, the labour officer told you that he was hesitating to take any action due to your proximity with the owner of the factory. With reference to the facts of the case, answer the following questions:

- (a) Identifying the stakeholders and public cause, discuss the ethical issues involved in the case.
- (b) As the District Magistrate, what appropriate course of action will you take? Give reasons for the same.

(20)

आप एक ऐसे जिले में जिला मजिस्ट्रेट के रूप में पदस्थापित हैं, जहाँ कई बड़े-बड़े कारखाने और व्यावसायिक प्रतिष्ठान स्थित हैं। आपका एक घनिष्ठ मित्र ऐसे ही एक कारखाने का स्वामी है। आप प्रायः एक-दूसरे के घर आते-जाते हैं और अक्सर एक साथ सार्वजनिक रूप से भी देखे जाते हैं।

हाल ही में, मीडिया में आपके मित्र के कारखाने में कार्य की खराब स्थितियों के संबंध में खबरें आई हैं। श्रम कार्यालय से पूछताछ करने पर, आपको पता चलता है कि इस कारखाने में अतीत में बार-बार श्रमिक अशांति देखी गई है। हालांकि, श्रम अधिकारी द्वारा आपको बताया जाता है कि कारखाना मालिक के साथ आपकी निकटता के कारण वह कोई कार्यवाही करने में संकोच कर रहा था। इस प्रकरण के तथ्यों के संदर्भ में, निम्नलिखित प्रश्नों के उत्तर दीजिए:

- (a) हितधारकों और सार्वजनिक हेतुक की पहचान करते हुए, इस प्रकरण में सम्मिलित नैतिक मुद्दों की विवेचना कीजिए।
- (b) जिला मजिस्ट्रेट के रूप में, आप क्या उचित कार्यवाही करेंगे? उनका कारण बताइए।

This case is an example of the public vs private dilemma that one might face in the course of duty.

a) The Stakeholders are

- DM (Me)
- My close friend
(factory owner)
- Labour unions &
workers.
- My labour officer.
- Administration.
- Community (General
public).

Public causes :-

1. Conditions for factory workers.
2. Concern for an administration that seems partisan in favour of the factory owner.
3. Image of the DM as a supporter of this situation.

Ethical issues involved :-

1. Labour rights.

↳ Constitutional morality
[Fundamental Rights
and Directive Principles].
↳ Labour code laws.

2. The work culture in the
DME office, where the labour
officer feels compelled to not
take action.

3. The factory worker's apathy.
↳ Justice must be served.
↳ All are equal under
the law.

4. My image as DM.

5. Perception of the
administration suffers.

6. Possibility of mob justice.

7. Impact on the people.
↳ mistrust for administ
con.

8. Possibility of violent labour
unrest.

As a DM, my course of action will be:-

1.) Immediately direct my labour officer to take action
↳ emphasise that the course of law must take place.

2.) Personally reassure the labour unions and the public (media) that their
↳ Action has been initiated.
↳ the law will take its course.

3.) Investigate into previous lapses and punish the perpetrators.

4.) Proactive disclosure and transparency with regard

to the progress of the case.
↳ prevents spread of
rumours.
↳ reassures the public.

5.) Submit myself to any
departmental investigation
if initiated against me.
↳ The law will protect
honest officers.

6.) On a personal level, judging
my future friends better and
not making such controversial
friends.

7.) Directing staff in my office
to not protect anyone in
the future, no matter who
they are close to.

In this way, the
dilemma is resolved in the
interest of all stakeholders.

12. You are a resident of a remote tribal district, where there is high incidence of malnutrition. As a remedial measure, the District Magistrate has initiated a programme to promote millet cultivation, especially on the lands currently lying fallow in the district.

However, this well-intentioned move of the officer receives flak from the local tribals as this may not only change their age-old food habits, but also alter their traditional agricultural practices. They further cite lower remunerative prices of millets as another reason for continuing with their existing crop production pattern.

As a civil servant aspirant, who has a keen interest in development of tribal areas, answer the following questions:

- (a) What according to you are the key issues and challenges involved in the above situation?
- (b) Identify the key stakeholders and their respective interests.
- (c) Suggest a course of action that the District Magistrate can take keeping in mind the larger tribal interests. (20)

आप एक ऐसे दूरस्थ जनजातीय जिले के निवासी हैं, जहाँ कुपोषण व्यापक रूप से विद्यमान है। उपचारात्मक उपाय के रूप में, जिला मजिस्ट्रेट ने विशेषकर वर्तमान में जिले में परती पड़ी भूमि पर बाजरा की खेती प्रोत्साहित करने का कार्यक्रम आरंभ किया है।

हालाँकि, अधिकारी का यह सुविचारित कदम स्थानीय आदिवासियों की ओर से कठोर आलोचना का विषय बन गया है, क्योंकि इससे न केवल उनकी युगों पुरानी खान-पान की आदतें परिवर्तित हो सकती हैं, बल्कि उनकी पारंपरिक कृषि पद्धतियाँ भी बदल सकती हैं। वे अपने वर्तमान फसल उत्पादन पैटर्न को जारी रखने के लिए एक और कारण के रूप में बाजरा की कम लाभप्रद कीमतों का भी उद्धरण देते हैं।

एक सिविल सेवक अभ्यर्थी के रूप में, जिसकी जनजातीय क्षेत्रों के विकास में गहरी रुचि है, निम्नलिखित प्रश्नों के उत्तर दीजिए:

- (a) आपके अनुसार उपर्युक्त परिस्थिति में सम्मिलित प्रमुख मुद्दे और चुनौतियाँ क्या हैं?
- (b) प्रमुख हितधारकों और उनके संबंधित हितों की पहचान कीजिए।
- (c) आदिवासियों के व्यापक हितों को ध्यान में रखते हुए, जिला मजिस्ट्रेट द्वारा की जा सकने वाली कार्यवाही का सुझाव दीजिए।

In this case, the measures for malnutrition are competing against age old traditions and economic

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calculations.

2) As a civil services aspirant, the following are evident to me: -

Key Issues :-

1. Cultural change - food habit
agriculture

2. Risk aversion of the tribals in avoiding any change for fear of economic loss.

3. Massive malnutrition burden
↳ Right to life (Art: 21) of tribals.

4. Usage of fallow land
↳ Economic prudence.
↳ Environmentally sound (reversing land degradation)

5. The input v/s output cost of millet cultivation might be

less, and tribals might be unaware.

Key Challenges]: -

- 1.) Creating change in age-old traditions.
- 2.) Cultural autonomy of tribals must be maintained.
- 3.) Alienation of tribals
- 4.) Poor record of compensatory afforestation in the past.
- 5.) Forest officials might exercise control over community land.

b)

Key Stakeholders

STAKEHOLDER	INTEREST
1. DM & government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o maintain <u>law & order, peace.</u> o Tackling <u>malnutrition</u> CPOSHAN Abhiyaan.

2. Local
tribals

- Promoting millet cultivation (2018-year of millets).
- Perception.

- Reluctance to change tradition.

- Hostility towards outside interference

- ~~Scared~~ Scared of potential economic outcome

3. Community

- Cultivation of fallow land can restore it

- Malnutrition is averted.

c) The DM can take the following course, keeping in mind tribal interests :-

1. Reassuring the community of the governments' commitment to their cultural rights and rights

Over land.

↳ The programme will be VOLUNTARY, not coercive.

2.) Generate an awareness campaign, involving local leaders, tribal elders and consentions citizens (like me).

↳ Benefit of millets.

↳ cultivating fallow land.

3.) Tweaking the scheme to provide for economic compensation in case of any losses.

4.) Other initiatives for malnourishment like community health centers, fortified food to also be encouraged.

Thus, all stakeholders are placated in this way.

13. You have recently been posted as a District Labour Officer in a state, which derives a substantial revenue from tourism. You come to know that a big hotel in the area has not been paying wages as per the Minimum Wages Act. The hotel owner is a powerful local leader having contacts with many influential officials of the state. You have the power to take sou-moto cognizance of such violations and accordingly you initiate a preliminary enquiry into the matter. However, no worker is willing to come forward to lodge a formal complaint because they fear loss of employment. Meanwhile, your action has attracted notice of the higher authorities, and you are advised to drop the matter altogether. You are deeply concerned about the situation as it involves not only violation of the Minimum Wages Act but also denial of basic human rights of the worker.

(a) Identify the issues involved in the given case.

(b) Consider the options given below:

1. Follow the informal advise of the higher authorities.
2. Convince the owner of the hotel to take note of these violations and take appropriate remedial measures.
3. Submit a detailed report on the matter highlighting violations of workers' rights and seek formal directions from the competent authority.
4. Serve a notice to the hotel owner and initiate action as per your powers under the Minimum Wages Act.

Evaluate the merits and demerits of each of these options and suggest your preferred course of action, giving reasons. (20)

आपको हाल ही में पर्यटन से अच्छी मात्रा में राजस्व प्राप्त करने वाले एक राज्य में जिला श्रम अधिकारी के रूप में पदस्थापित किया गया है। आपको पता चलता है कि क्षेत्र का एक बड़ा होटल न्यूनतम मजदूरी अधिनियम के अनुसार वेतन का भुगतान नहीं कर रहा है। होटल स्वामी राज्य के कई प्रभावशाली अधिकारियों से संपर्क रखने वाला एक शक्तिशाली स्थानीय नेता है। आपके पास ऐसे उल्लंघनों का स्वतः संज्ञान लेने की शक्ति है और तदनुसार आप प्रकरण की प्रारंभिक जाँच आरंभ करते हैं। हालांकि, कोई भी श्रमिक औपचारिक तौर पर शिकायत दर्ज कराने के लिए आगे आने को तैयार नहीं है क्योंकि उन्हें अपने रोजगार से हाथ धोने का डर है। इस बीच, आपकी कार्यवाही ने उच्च अधिकारियों का ध्यान आकर्षित किया और आपको इस प्रकरण को पूर्णतया छोड़ देने का परामर्श दिया गया। आप इस स्थिति को लेकर गंभीर रूप से चिंतित हैं क्योंकि इससे न केवल न्यूनतम मजदूरी अधिनियम का उल्लंघन हो रहा है, बल्कि यह श्रमिकों के मूलभूत मानवाधिकारों का हनन भी है।

(a) दिए गए प्रकरण में सम्मिलित मुद्दों की पहचान कीजिए।

(b) नीचे दिए गए विकल्पों पर विचार कीजिए:

1. उच्च अधिकारियों की अनौपचारिक परामर्श का पालन करेंगे।
2. होटल स्वामी को इन उल्लंघनों पर ध्यान देने के लिए मनाएंगे और उचित उपचारात्मक उपाय करेंगे।
3. श्रमिकों के अधिकारों के उल्लंघन पर प्रकाश डालते हुए इस विषय पर विस्तृत रिपोर्ट प्रस्तुत करेंगे और सक्षम प्राधिकारी से औपचारिक निर्देश मांगेंगे।

4. होटल स्वामी को नोटिस जारी करेंगे और न्यूनतम मजदूरी अधिनियम के अंतर्गत अपनी शक्तियों के अनुसार कार्यवाही करेंगे।
इनमें से प्रत्येक विकल्प के गुणों और दोषों का मूल्यांकन कीजिए तथा कारण प्रस्तुत करते हुए अपनी पसंद की कार्यवाही का सुझाव दीजिए।

a)

Issues involved in the case:-

1.) Human, legal and fundamental rights of the workers.

2.) My duty as per constitution and the law.

3.) Exploitative powerful leader.
↳ Unethical exercise of power.

4.) Intimidation of workers.

5.) Jobs for the workers can be lost if they testify.

6.) Role of welfare state

Evaluation of Options

1) OPTION-1: informal advise:-

a) Merits:

- o As per precedents and previous cases.
- o Seniors might be better experienced to make decisions like this.
- o Consultative approach

b) Demerits:-

- o Shirkung of my own duty and outsourcing it.
- o Seniors may be unaware of the ground situation.

2) OPTION-2: convince owner.

a) MERITS:

- o workers are not intimidated and have their jobs.
- o Action is taken quickly.

b) Demerits:-

- o Against justice.

o perpetrator goes unpunished.

OPTION - 3: detailed report.

a) MERITS

- o Constitution upheld.
- o My obligation as an officer upheld.
- o Consultative approach.

b) DEMERITS: -

o might be slow

OPTION - 4: notice and proceedings

a) MERITS: -

- o Justice served.
- o Workers rights respected.

b) DEMERIT: -

- o factory might shut down & workers may lose their job.
- o Perception of the factory & loss of business.

Preferred course of action
will be guided by option 2.
and 4.

1) Try to convince the hotel
owner to take action.
↳ In case s(he) doesn't
agree ↓

2) Exercise my powers (suo-
moto) under the act,
after ensuring due
compensation and areas
for the workers.

This way, all
stakeholders are placated;
and justice is also served.

14. You are the Chairman of a Committee, constituted by the government, to suggest measures to improve the quality of education in state-run schools. In view of the increasing dropout rate and the widening gap between students' learning ability in state-run and private schools, answer the following questions:

- Examine the role of government in the education sector, especially providing primary and secondary education through state-run schools.
- Identify the principles and values that would guide your recommendations in this regard.
- Suggest some ways in which quality of education in state-run schools can be improved. (20)

आप राज्य द्वारा संचालित विद्यालयों में शिक्षा की गुणवत्ता में सुधार लाने हेतु उपाय सुझाने के लिए सरकार द्वारा गठित एक समिति के अध्यक्ष हैं। ड्रॉपआउट (बच्चों द्वारा विद्यालय छोड़ने) की बढ़ती दर और राज्य द्वारा संचालित विद्यालयों तथा निजी विद्यालयों के विद्यार्थियों के मध्य सीखने की क्षमता के बीच बढ़ते अंतर को देखते हुए, निम्नलिखित प्रश्नों के उत्तर दीजिए:

- शिक्षा क्षेत्र, विशेष रूप से राज्य द्वारा संचालित विद्यालयों के माध्यम से प्राथमिक और माध्यमिक शिक्षा प्रदान करने में सरकार की भूमिका का परीक्षण कीजिए।
- इस संबंध में आपकी अनुशंसाओं का मार्गदर्शन करने वाले सिद्धांतों और मूल्यों की पहचान कीजिए।
- कुछ ऐसे उपाय सुझाइए जिनके माध्यम से राज्य द्वारा संचालित विद्यालयों में शिक्षा की गुणवत्ता में सुधार किया जा सके।

The quality of education is a matter of grave concern. Surveys like ASER aptly indicate the gap in learning outcomes.

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Role of Government in education sector: -

1.) Setting minimum standards for all institutions.

↳ eg. No corporal punishment, fee caps etc.

2.) Provision of services :-

↳ Accessible : A primary school at every 5 km under Sawa Shiksha Abhiyaan.

↳ Equity - Minimal fee charged, Reservation and fee concession for weaker section.

3.) Setting quality guidelines.

↳ Teacher ratios
↳ curriculum

b) Principles and values to guide my recommendations :-

- 1) SARVODAYA (Benefit of all)
 - ↳ inclusion of weaker sections
- 2) Equal access even in remote areas.
- 3) Seaseless activity :-
 - ↳ Update the system from time to time.
- 4) Quality should be paramount
 - ↳ Learning outcomes based.
 - ↳ Monitoring.
- 5) Ethical education
 - ↳ Teaching of moral science
 - ↳ Community service.
- 6) Holistic education : extra-curriculars like sports

1) Ways to improve our education system:-

- 1) Strict codification of ethical standards and enforcement of the laws.
- 2) A good governance based approach
↳ Teacher's audits by students.
- 3) Quality improvement
↳ Curriculum updates
↳ Teacher testing.
- 4) Public private partnership
- 5) Technology-led:-
↳ digital board
↳ e-education
eg portals like SWAYAM.

Children are the future of the nation.
Education must ensure that

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They can fulfill their potential

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