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POLITY

1. RIGHT TO VOTE FOR UNDER TRIALS AND CIVIL PRISONERS

- Q. Is it not political discrimination to not allow a class of citizens, i.e. undertrials, the right to vote?
- Q. What legislative steps shall be taken to allow undertrials the right to vote?

2. THE ELECTORAL BONDS SCHEME AND THE CHALLENGES

- Q. Shall Political lobbying be legalized in India?
- Q. Is the scheme electoral reforms inherently discriminatory in nature?

3. ONLINE CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IN INDIA

- Q. Shall sex education be provided to students in school?
- Q. Legislative steps taken by government curb child pornography
- Q. Reasons for low reporting of child sex abuse in India

4. AGE OF CONSENT IN INDIA

- Q. Is the concept of age of consent fertile ground for mounting charge of rape?
- Q. Challenges in proper implementation of POSCO Act
- Q. Is age of consent indication of tool to control girls' sexuality?

5. INDIA'S LABOUR REFORMS AND PERSISTENT GAPS

- Q. Explain the relation between labour reforms and FDI in manufacturing sector of India.
- Q. Arenas in which labour reforms are expected in India
- Q. Initiatives that can be taken for greater participation of female labour participation.

6. ADDING DIGITAL LAYERS FOR DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE

- Q. Is e-governance implementable in a country like India that faces digital illiteracy?

- Q. Role of blockchain technology in e-governance
- Q. Measures taken by Government to improve digital literacy in India

7. GOVERNOR'S ROLE AND RECURRING CONTROVERSY

- Q. What are the suggestions of Sarkaria Commission with respect to the role of Governor?
- Q. Why Governors are not seen to act in the manner that would portray political neutrality.

8. CONSTITUTIONALITY OF FIRST CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT ACT

- Q. What can be termed as reasonable restriction to freedom of speech and expression?
- Q. How can freedom of press be guaranteed in the face of restrictions on speech and expression?

9. THE IDEA OF ONE NATION, ONE POLICE UNIFORM

- Q. What guidelines were suggested by Supreme Court in the Prakash Singh case with respect to modernization of police force in India?
- Q. Importance of uniformity in law and order agencies

10. PFI

- Q. On what ground can freedom of association be balanced with unity and integrity of India?
- Q. What can be termed to be anti-national?

11. INTERNAL DEMOCRACY IN POLITICAL PARTIES

- Q. How important is internal party democracy for overall substances of democracy in India?
- Q. What steps can be taken inculcate internal democracy in India?
- Q. Should Representative of People's Act be amended to compulsorily conduct elections in India's political parties?

12. HOW HATE SPEECH ON SOCIAL-MEDIA IS A CONCERN FOR INDIA?

- Q. How would hate speech be defined?
- Q. Statutory provisions related to hate speech in the proposed Criminal Law Bill

13. HOW THE CLIMATE CHANGE AND COOPERATIVE FEDERALISM IS RELATED TO EACH OTHER?

- Q. Is tackling climate change difficult due to federal structure of India?
- Q. Define Co-operative federalism
- Q. Is reform in 7th schedule of Indian Constitution needed for the purpose of addressing issues related to climate change through appropriate level of governments?

14. SC ON RIGHT TO BE FORGOTTEN

- Q. Is Right to be Forgotten an extension of Right to Privacy?
- Q. Will Right to be Forgotten a hurdle to Freedom of press for online portals?

15. HOW WELFARE STATE V/S FREEBIES IS A DILEMMA FOR POLITICAL PARTIES?

- Q. Is good politics always bad politics?
- Q. Is Fiscal Responsibility and Management Act (FRMA) necessary at state level

16. AGNIPATH SCHEME

- Q. How Agnipath scheme aims to modernise India's defence forces?
- Q. Is it time for the youth of the country to look at Governments services beyond job security?

17. ROLE OF 'INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE' IN EDUCATION

- Q. Co-relate cognitive skills of a child with medium of instruction.
- Q. Provisions in National Education Policy on education in indigenous language

18. ERA OF COMBATIVE FEDERALISM

- Q. How responsible is Indian federalism's tilt towards the Union Government for combative federalism?
- Q. Which agencies are responsible to way the way for co-operative federalism? and how?

19. ONE NATION, ONE ELECTION

- Q. Will synchronisation of elections throughout India help in making it a better welfare state?
- Q. Are democratic reforms confined to electoral reforms?

20. UNIFORM CIVIL CODE

- Q. Is the idea of UCC against the tenets of secularism?
- Q. Role of National Integration Council in rolling out UCC
- Q. Acceptance of UCC from the view point of diverse tribal population of India

21. RELIGION AND CONVERSIONS

- Q. Does Right to Propagate religious beliefs also include the Right to persuade for conversion?
- Q. Should religious conversion be banned in India?

22. CUSTODIAL TORTURE

- Q. Guidelines issued by Supreme Court in D. K. Basu v/s State of West Bengal.
- Q. Are custodial deaths result of colonial minds held by police forces in India?

23. JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT & ISSUES

- Q. Is principle of Constitutional Supremacy established by the Indian Constitution making way for Judicial Superiority?
- Q. How can judicial independence be balanced with the principle of check & balances?
- Q. Suggest an alternative to the collegium system without affecting judicial independence.

24. IS THE RTI ACT FULFILLING ITS PURPOSE?

- Q. What are the constraints in effective implementation of RTI? What can be done to resolve them?
- Q. Has implementation of RTI Act resulted in better governance?
- Q. Shall citizens charter be made justiciable?

25. MARRIAGE EQUALITY (SAME-SEX MARRIAGE)

- Q. In recent years, several countries have legalized same-sex marriage. What are the social, legal, and ethical implications of recognizing and legalizing same-sex marriage in a diverse society like India?
- Q. Should legalizing same-sex marriage be considered a matter of civil rights or cultural acceptance?
- Q. India has a diverse cultural landscape. How can societal attitudes and traditional beliefs be balanced with the legal recognition of same-sex marriage, considering the country's rich cultural heritage?

- Q. What are the potential challenges in implementing legislation for same-sex marriage in a country like India? How might these challenges be addressed while ensuring inclusivity and respect for diverse societal norms?

26. NO BAR ON CONTESTING FROM TWO SEATS IN THE SAME ELECTION: SC

- Q. Should a candidate be allowed to contest election from two seats simultaneously?
- Q. Should the candidate winning from two constituencies in the same election pay for bypoll caused in one?

27. MANUAL SCAVENGING

- Q. Is it correct to say that more than economic its social caused that keep the practice of manual scavenging alive?
- Q. Why has the Supreme Court termed the practice of manual scavenging to be against human dignity?

28. INDIA'S JUDICIAL SYSTEM

- Q. Suggest measures that would improve infrastructural capabilities of courts in India.
- Q. What are the reasons for Alternative Dispute Resolution not being much popular in India?

29. HATE SPEECH AND SUPREME COURT RULING

- Q. What are the reasons for increasing instance of hate speech and violence related to the same in recent years?
- Q. Measure to be taken to curb hate speech

30. INTER-SERVICE ORGANISATIONS BILL, 2023

- Q. What changes can be seen in the relation between the three defence forces since the creation of the post of Chief of Defence Staff?
- Q. Why is there an increasing need for inter-services operability?

31. E-POSTAL BALLOTS FOR OVERSEAS INDIAN VOTERS

- Q. What are the categories of citizens that are left out of the electoral process?
- Q. What are RVMS?

32. TRANSPARENCY IN OTT REGULATION

- Q. Is regulation on OTT against the Right of Free Speech and Expression?
- Q. What have been the reasons for increased viewership of OTTs in India?

33. SEXUAL HARASSMENT AT WORKPLACE

- Q. What are the reasons for low reporting of incidences of sexual harassment at workplace?
- Q. Is sexual harassment the reason for low female participation in India's labour force?
- Q. Is sexual harassment the reason for glass ceiling effect in India's labour market?

34. INTER-STATE WATER DISPUTE

- Q. Why was inter-state river water dispute kept out of the original jurisdiction of Supreme Court?
- Q. Does India need a permanent Inter-state river water dispute tribunal?

35. ARTICLE 370 AND INDIAN CONSTITUTION

- Q. Is abrogation of Article 370 a sign of special arrangement in North-East, e.g. inner line permit, to be done away with?
- Q. Should India's position be changed from "Indestructible Union of Destructible States" to "Indestructible Union of Indestructible States"?

36. MEDICAL TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY AND SUPREME COURT

- Q. Shall abortion rights of a female be revoked on grounds of it leading to termination of a life form?

37. CONSTITUTIONAL MORALITY:

- Q. Define Constitutional Morality and its ambit?
- Q. What are the challenges to Constitutional Morality?

38. DECRIMINALISATION OF POLITICS:

- Q. What negative impacts does criminalization of politics have?
- Q. What reforms have been suggested by various committees on the evil of criminalisation of politics?

39. WOMEN'S RESERVATION BILL

- Q. What socio-economic impact will Women's Reservation Bill have in India?
- Q. Mention the hurdles that women face in politics?

40. BASIC STRUCTURE DOCTRINE

- Q. Has the Doctrine of Basic Structure created an avenue for Judicial Over-reach?
- Q. How can the Doctrine of Basic Structure be negated?