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Q-1

"Moral values allow humans to produce large cooperative groups, tribes and nations without the glue of kinship". Explain the significance of moral values in helping humans survive and thrive.  
 (10 marks)

(23)

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Human beings from the time ~~in ancient~~ Immemoial have survived and thrived using Moral values. Whether it is forming groups, organisations, nations, all have the same objective of ensuring continued existence of its members along with welfare and progress.

*you may explain  
the term moral  
values briefly.*

### Significance of Moral Values in Survival

Survival in pre-historic times required different set of conditions to be overcome such as hunting animals, lighting fire to scare animals. Moral values such as discipline, humanity enabled early humans to form a coalition and survive through the tough times.

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*Here you have to discuss how moral values help in creating community outside one's own family & blood relationship.*

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Q-2

What do you understand by "Thought Leadership"? What does it take to become a Thought leader and why is it significant?  
(10 marks)

Thought leadership refers to the ability of a leader to influence, persuade and motivate its followers through ideas and thinking.

Eg- Rabindranath Tagore is considered to be a thought leader through his ideas of "Spiritual Humanism", education among other things.

Discuss with reference to thought leadership in industry.

Qualities essential for becoming a Thought leader

1) Deep understanding of human nature, worldly affairs

2) Knowledge about different dimensions and aspects

3) Objectivity, Rationality and Reliance on reasoning ~~other than~~

communication,  
action oriented  
etc.

4) Fresh perspective of looking into things.

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- 5) Exact, just and simple expression of abstraction  
Idea - for follower to understand
- 6) Empathy towards others
- 7) Propagating essence of the idea

## Significance of Thought Leadership

- 1) Helps develop a vision of the society towards achieving a goal
- 2) Ideas cannot be killed and are universal
- 3) source of inspiration even after the events have occurred - permeability through ages
- 4) Affects all sections of people and gives them opportunity to understand
- 5) Moves towards intellectual openness - more effective than physical / material penetration  
(- JS Mill)

Thus, Thought leadership is required in the current times where there is lack of attention, dearth of information and low intellectual thinking as it will shift discourse towards realm of ideas.

Review the term  
Thought leadership

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Q-3 Motherhood is a traditional role that women are expected to fulfill. Do you think it comes in the way of the modern idea of women empowerment? (10 marks)

Motherhood refers to the role of a woman which comprises of giving birth to child, early childhood care in terms of food, nutrition, safety. Motherhood is often related to the conception of women as a home maker and caretaker of the family.

Traditionally, due to societal marginalisation, patriarchy and low status granted to women, so they were supposed to take care of the child and fulfill her duties as a 'mother', while 'fatherhood' had a different connotation in terms of providing safety and security to the family, earning bread and deal with outside world.

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Modern idea of women empowerment rests upon pillars of providing them - social, economical and political empowerment. When women become strong and educated It is based upon the concepts of equality in terms of everything - status, opportunities as well as role in a marriage. With changing societal mindset, there is a rejuvenation in the idea of modern women being much more than a mother and to excel in all spheres of her life along with the responsibility of husband/male to take care of children equally as their mother.

*Good but here you must also comment on how motherhood acts as obstruction in women empowerment*

Eg- Jacinda Ardern (PM of New Zealand) had a baby during her tenure and pushed country towards progress despite personal & professional challenges.

Thus, motherhood should be considered as only one aspect and policies should be framed keeping in mind the changing nature of traditional roles so as to empower women.

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Q-4 "The best brains of the nation may be found on the last benches of classroom". What do you think made APJ Abdul Kalam say that? What can our schools, parents and students learn from this? (10 marks)

This quote, by Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam is in reference to the traditional thinking & culture of schools in India where the so called academically intelligent students sit in the front rows and less serious and mischievous students sit or are made to sit in the last so as to not distract the class.

### Reasons for the saying:

- Back bencher students give a lot of time towards non-academic things such as gossiping, discussing about other things which may not be suitable encouraged by the Teacher. This helps their brain to <sup>think</sup> waste in multiple topics / ideas.
- Relationships, friendships formed in the rear part

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of class due to more social interaction helps  
them to develop good social acumen

Learnings:

- 1) Allow the opportunity for children to indulge in other activities apart from academic learning
- 2) Stereotyping and prejudice towards students only makes them narrow minded as often back bender student's performance is not good in exams. & front benders are only good at academics.

3) Healthy and holistic development of child through his interaction with other children opening them to variety of ideas and opinions.

Thus, there is a need to relook and re-evaluate our perspective towards children's education, classroom behaviour so that all kinds of students are able to learn and develop equitability.

Also discuss  
what changes  
student  
themselves  
bring in their  
attitude.

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Q-3

How does the decline of joint families and the rise of nuclear families in India affect the sources of value education for children? Discuss (10 marks)

With the rise in Urbanisation and globalisation, people and families have started to move out of their families in search for better opportunities. This has led to the breaking of so called 'joint-families' into 'nuclear' families.

How value education is affected?

*You may also discuss the importance of family in value education.*

1) Joint families consists of more number of members having diverse experiences. Each member provides a child with different set of value learning which is limited in nuclear family.

2) Role of mother and father gets divided into different members in joint family. Also, impression of grandparents and extended family to provide children with varied perspectives.

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Eg- grandmother teaching children about Ramayana

3) Joint family has an atmosphere of indulgence where all decisions are taken by consensus taking care of all, while in nuclear family <sup>from</sup> the will of the parent is the <sup>^</sup> decision.

4) Joint families also ~~poor~~ allows children to have other children in proximity (cousins etc.) and thus helps in socialisation. In nuclear families child is mostly alone with his/her siblings. With increasing ~~reserved~~ tendencies in cities, there is less interactions and the child depends on mobile or computer for playing ~~on~~ which can expose it to

more morally hazardous & inappropriate contents.

Thus, with the rise of our nuclear families,

due to absence of environment, children are increasingly becoming isolatist and depending on technology or value education which can

be harmful.

But what  
are the values  
that nuclear families  
may imbue in  
children.

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Q-6

It is often said that "When the going gets tough, the tough gets going". Discuss the importance of "adversity quotient" in this regard. (10 marks)

The meaning of the quotation is that when encountered with a difficult situation full of challenges and adversities, it is people with 'toughness' of attitude, character, and integrity face those challenges to overcome them.

Eg- Dr. B.R. Ambedkar faced caste discrimination throughout his life but he overcame them set to become 1<sup>st</sup> Law minister of India as well chairman of drafting committee of constitution.

Adversity quotient is a principle that states that greater the adversity of achieving a particular goal, more the reward one would get after achieving it. It is <sup>could AD be compared with</sup> because, more adversity requires the person to adapt to higher difficulty, mould his

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character and belief in such a way to  
make best use of his abilities to achieve  
success.

Eg- Mahatma Gandhi's successful implementation  
of Dandi March gave boost to Civil Disobedience  
movement despite many adversities such as  
breaking salt law, mobilising people, walking  
such large distance.

Thus, 'tough' people through their morality  
and values overcome the adversities thrown  
towards them to achieve success.

Discuss what  
are different  
components of  
ADs & how  
we could improve  
our ADs.

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Q-7

What we ordinarily call "degeneration of values" can also be interpreted as "redefinition of values". Critically examine (10 marks)

Values of a particular Individual or society is shaped by the socio-cultural, economical and political beliefs that are prevalent.

Therefore, ~~without may be~~ Each society has a different value system giving importance to certain values and discarding others.

Now, what is sometimes called 'degeneration of values' by a society is often 'redefinition of values' as -

1) changing nature of values due to changes in environment - with increasing globalization, development, advent of technology, different values have taken different shapes and forms.

e.g. Homosexuality is seen as a loss of value on part of people who practice it, however on looking closely, it is nothing but expression of self which was hidden either due to

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societal constructs or lack of self-realisation.

2) Importance to different values due to

changing times. What may be important  
to today's generation ~~will~~ is not necessarily

having same importance to older generation.

e.g- Respect of elders is a ~~common~~ common ~~trait~~ ~~trait~~

In all civilisations, however touching feet

of elders. It was considered absolute necessary

in earlier times. Today's youth is reluctant

to do that as it envisions respect not just

in words through activity but believing it

in heart.

Thus, changing times requires us to have

a rethink on the values

and importance attached to it. as what

one thinks is deterioration can only be

a change in perspective.

type of  
qualified  
respect etc.

Good explanation.

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Q-8

"Generations to come, it may well be, will scarce  
believe that such a man as this one ever in flesh  
and blood walked upon this earth". (Albert Einstein).  
Discuss 3 ideas of Gandhi you think makes him  
timeless by discussing their contemporary relevance. (10 marks)

"Be the change you wish to see in the world"  
— Mahatma Gandhi

Such were the thoughts and Teachings of the  
great freedom fighter, thinker, philosopher  
who fought for India's freedom but achieved  
and provided vision for freedom of individuals  
all over the world. Such was the impact  
of Mahatma Gandhi's life.

3 ideas of Gandhi that are timeless

1) Truth — Gandhi believed that Truth is  
the ultimate virtue and brings one closer to  
God. In the age of information and twisting  
facts, it is difficult for people to identify  
what is truth and this is being utilised by  
people with vested interests.

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Eg- Government policies must be based on true data, its investigation should provide true event and justice, media & social media portray true picture of society and government.

2) Non-violence - The cornerstone of human existence according to Gandhi is in utmost need today. Growing intolerance and acceptance is leading to war, violence, threat of nuclear war engagement. There is a need to resolve differences through dialogue & communication so that peace is established.

3) Concept of Antrodaya - Gandhiji believed that any development should be aimed and must reach the last person ~~which~~ in Hierarchy. Need of Inclusive development cannot be stressed more as we see that 1% rich people in India hold 70% of country's wealth. Thus, there is a need for us to reevaluate our thinking and ideologies as ~~per~~ according to principles laid out by Gandhi to achieve ~~per~~ peace and prosperity for all. ("Sarve Bhavantu  
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Q-3

What does "Bureaucratology" possibly mean to you? Discuss a few human values that can cure this disease (10 marks)

Bureaucratology could be seen as a term made from two terms — Bureau corresponding to the bureaucratic structure and Pathology referring to the illness or sickness that is being diagnosed. Thus, Bureaucratology could mean the weaknesses that the Bureaucracy possesses and going through.

Reasons for weakness

- Dogma, Routine
- Superior Attitude
- Corruption
- Political / Influence

Discuss bureaucratic rules overruleres of which maybe one of the reasons for this.

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Inefficiency of Bureaucracy affects the public and results in delay of development as well as loss of trust and credibility in government

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Human values that can cure this disease

For curing any disease, a doctor looks at the symptoms and the components causing the problem and targeting that. Values such as-

1) Honesty - towards work and public service

2) Integrity - keeping public interest or as the sole priority (2nd ARC recommendation)

3) Selflessness - working towards achieving a large objective of welfare of people removing personal interest

4) Attitude - Right attitude towards work without treating public as inferior such as competitive emotional intelligence etc.

5) Probity - allowing transparency into one's own work ensuring accountability.

Thus, the above values as suggested by Nolan Committee would serve as a proper medicine towards curing disease of Bureau pathology.

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Q-10 "Patriotism can't be our final <sup>spiritual</sup> shelter, I will not buy glass for the price of diamonds and I will never allow patriotism to triumph over humanity as long as I live. Examine the relevance of Tagore's quote in present times. (10 marks)

Patriotism refers to ~~looking~~ putting one's own nation above everything else and working towards achieving the goal of making the nation great. Humanitarianism, on the other hand, is treating every individual equally with respect, kindness and love irrespective of the nation, caste, gender or any other parameter.

Tagore attributed more importance to the Humanitarianism compared to Patriotism because he felt that all human beings are created same and are essentially the same. The nations and borders are made by people for convenience of existence due to shared beliefs and values. However, Tagore felt that the basic human values

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of kindness, love, empathy are universal  
and thus equal and same for all and hence  
humanity should be considered as top priority  
compared to patriotism.

• Refugee crisis all over the world calls out  
for treating them from humanity angle  
providing shelter, food, security and livelihood.

e.g- Rohingya Crisis, US-Mexico-Border Crisis

and Refugee policy separating children from  
mother, is inhuman

also do you think some  
time majoritarianism or  
communalism takes  
place in name  
of nationalism?

• War over land, ideology, supremacy of  
civilisation etc - are fought for nations destroys  
and killing thousands of innocent people.

e.g- ICC condemnation of US Army over killings

of innocent in Afghanistan, 1915, Israel-Palestine

Issue

Thus, issues should be looked at humanitarian  
side instead of nationalistic side, as it is  
a human being that suffers ultimately.

Baba Tatyasaheb's idea of 'spiritual humanism'

should be resorted to along with 'Varudhaiva

Kutumbakam' (The world is one)

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Q-II

How a society responds to immigration tell  
how it strikes a balance between its values  
and interests. Examine. (10 marks)

Immigration is the process of people from  
other country's coming to a country for  
gaining better opportunities, lives, occupations,  
standards of living. Immigration is <sup>advantageous</sup> helpful to  
nations as it helps them diversify their  
demographic profile, immigrants helping in  
skillful activities, such as research, engineering,  
medical sciences contributing to nation's growth

However, immigrants also take up space,  
replace local people in their jobs, have different  
ideologies, culture that may be different from  
country's own culture resulting in possible  
clashes, violence and UNREST.

Eg- USA has taken huge benefit & from its <sup>or</sup> demographic changes, culture security etc  
immigration policy allowing high skilled people all over the world to settle there and help in economy.

European Union countries are dealing with  
the extremism that immigrants have propagated.

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Thus, countries and societies are in constant juxtaposition towards the treatment of the immigrants. If they are very critical of their immigrants then they loose on potential arrival of people as well as loss in merit of existing people. However, if they allow a liberal outlook then more and more immigrants would come threatening the native and original population, <sup>Discuss what are the values of modern nation-state that supports immigration like cosmopolitanism, global justice etc</sup>

Eg- UAE is comprised of 80% immigrants. Thus, in a globalised world there is a need to take a balanced approach towards country's immigration policy ensuring that the treatment of immigrants and local people are just, and opportunities are ample for both <sup>(crimes)</sup> <sup>(interests)</sup> as well as <sup>(rights)</sup> (interests) so that country lives in harmony and progress.

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Q-12

What is the moral of the popular fable of "Blind men and elephant"? Do you think it is similar to the contemporary notion of post-truth?  
(10 marks)

The fable of 'Blind men and Elephants' showcases the 'limitations' of human understanding and how partial and Inadequate knowledge leads to differing perception and ideas about the same thing.

Post-truth is a modern principle that states anekantavada etc. that human beings are acting in an emotional manner with utilising ~~Information~~ and facts that appeal to their self interests. Post-truth is associated with loss of rationality and cognitive behaviour towards mere emotional and 'irrational' behaviour.

Post-truth is similar to the moral of the mentioned fable as in both of them individuals act upon limited information and sensory experience. Even in this age of

briefly answer  
the fable.

↳ Also possibility of  
various truths like  
etc.

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information, correct, true and relevant information towards anything is often not found reducing the stature of modern person to a blind man, thus believes the facts as being observed to him.

are there differences between the two as well?  
Eg- President Donald Trump's election in 2016 was seen as the peak of post-truth phenomenon due to popular perception of Hillary Clinton being more eligible for office.

However, unlike the fable, we humans have the opportunity of rectifying the 'blindness' through setting of credible and robust institutions, through setting of credible and robust reporting so that all individuals are well informed and take their decisions rationally.

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S-13

"States are not moral agents; people are, and can pose moral standards on powerful institutions." Do you agree with this statement?  
(10 marks)

A moral agent is defined as an entity that decides or acts upon an event or particular issue according to the moral principles that it has gathered.

*do acts morally?*

states are made up of people. Thus policies of state are decided by the moral morality of people residing in it. which in turn depends upon the culture, beliefs and customs of the society historically and how it has evolved.

Eg- Capital Punishment is considered fit in Middle East countries for serious crimes but liberal democracies are reluctant to use it with several countries like Australia, NZ banning it.

Thus, people can decide the morality, and put moral standards on powerful institutions so that they perform their functions appropriately.

*↳ discuss accountability  
of moral agent*

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such powerful institutions are characterised by having a large impact on people's lives and thus it is necessary for them to reflect the moral standards that people aspire.

Eg- Supreme court of India legalised homosexuality keeping in view mind the nature of changes society thus upholding moral standards.

Similarly, climate change is a practical reality. USA moving out of the Paris Climate deal (2015) was seen as a gross violation of the power of the most developed country, but people through protests, events, ideas, opinion, debates are still hoping for USA to rejoin and making the institutions more robust for tackling climate change.

Thus, it is the power of people.

Discuss  
with angle of  
international  
relations  
also.

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Q-14

Article 24 of the Constitution provides for prohibition of children in all types of working below 14 years and hazardous working environment below 18 years.

The given case accounts for the dilemma between upholding the law for well-being of the child vs affecting livelihood and source of income of the child.

DISCUSSION  
ISSUES  
such as attitude  
of parents, constitution,  
etc.

a) I will explain to the shopkeeper the social and legal consequences of his action to employ small children and also try to understand from the child the reason for their taking up the job. Since, I <sup>do not have</sup> ~~also not do~~ any legal power, I will restrain from escalating matter at that time and think of other options when I come home.

b) Action-1

Arguing with the shopkeeper and threatening to report to the police

### Limitation

- Loss of Income for child
- More pressure on child's family for Livelihood.

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## Action-2

Complain to police  
with police imposts  
fine on shopkeepers and  
families of children

## Limitatio-

- Loss of income of child + burden on family to pay fine
- Economic impact on shopkeeper

Also police may take action against the parents & child may later be employed at hazardous job?

## Action-3

Talk with the help of local NGOs, talking with the parents of children, providing them enough support to go to school + engage unemployed young people in the area to take up position in the shop

## Limitatio-

- Reluctance of parents shopkeepers to leave children
- Difficulty in making parents understand due to low education

c) I would go ahead with option-3,

as it is producing desired results -

1) Children are being removed from the shops and are going to schools

2) Parents of children are happy to get the opportunity of education for their child.

Can't you also yourself find time to educate such underprivileged children?

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- 3) Shopkeepers are getting workers for their  
shops
- 4) Unemployed people are getting work improving  
their financial condition

Thus, employment of children should be prohibited at all cost and focus should be given on their education and care. India should use its abundant labour force to employ them to work.

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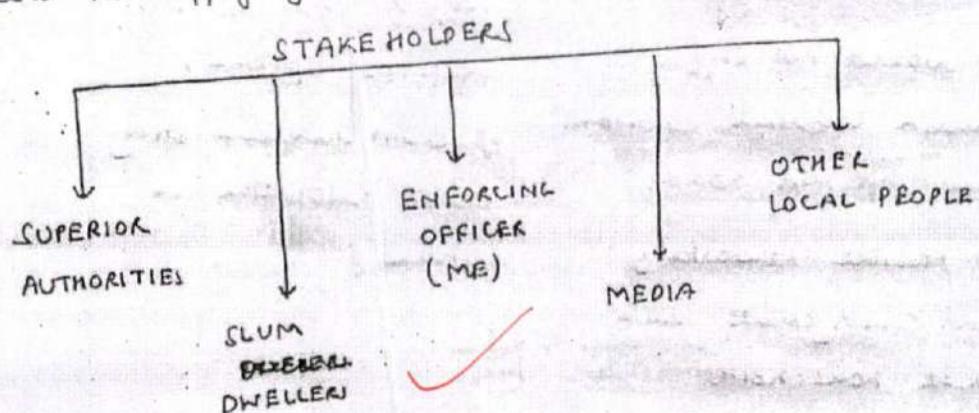
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Q75

The present case highlights the dilemma of upholding the law and causing pain to the slum dwellers vs thinking of their welfare and not applying the law and order.



Option-a

MERITS

- 1) Upholding the law
- 2) Immediate resolution of problem ✓
- 3) City will look clean immediately ✓

DEMERITS

- 1) Loss of shelter & home of slum-dwellers ✓
  - 2) Use of force can result in clashes and violence ✓
  - 3) Slum-dweller will lose their livelihoods.
  - 4) Local households will lose their domestic help
  - 5) Local supply chain will get affected.
- Right to  
life & dignity  
of slum  
dwellers.



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## Option - B

### MERITS

- 1) Rehabilitation will ensure ~~slum dwellers~~ welfare
- 2) Would not suffer harsh weather conditions and left mid road
- 3) Possible reworking and arrangements with local households
- 4) Relocation of supply chain & with better organised amenities of production (eggs, vegetables)

### DEMERITS

- 1) If senior officers reject, then ~~so~~ this becomes option - 1
- 2) Slum dwellers may resist relocation in future
- 3??

## Option - C

### MERITS

- 1) Awareness about the matter in all circles
- 2) Authorities might change their mind ~~towards~~ towards option - 2
- 3) Proper representation of the concerns of slum dwellers

### DEMERITS

- 1) I might get removed from my job due ~~duty ethics~~ ~~duty ethics?~~
- 2) Authorities deriving their legitimacy by showing illegal occupation & even arresting / fining slum dwellers to increased pressure of media

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## Course of Action

I will move forward with option - b) and  
then request the authorities for the end of  
season for the action. This will buy me more  
time in which -

- a) Rehabilitation place can be decided and  
arranged for slum dwellers
- b) Proper legal arrangements can be made for  
selling of vegetables, shops
- c) Proper understanding and consensus can be  
built amongst slum dwellers so they voluntarily  
move towards new area.

Thus, managing stakeholders, confidence building  
and humanitarian approach should be employed  
for dealing with cases of encroachment so  
that all parties get benefitted without dispute  
*and in case  
this option fails,  
what steps could  
be taken?*

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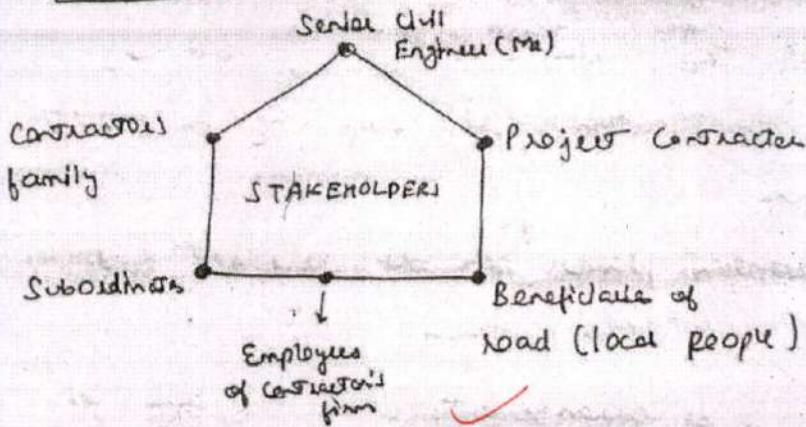
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Q-1c

The given case is of personal life affecting  
the professional and work.



a) [Options available before me:-]

- 1) Take strict action against the contractor (suspending him) and cancelling contract ✓
- 2) Do not take any action and let the project get completed at its usual time ✓
- 3) Replace the contractor with another ~~partner~~ <sup>officer</sup> + senior employee from contractor's firm + additional support from 3rd party contractor ✓

b) [Evaluation of Options]

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## Option-1

### MERIT

- 1) New contractor will finish the work on time
- 2) Subordinates  are happy
- 3) Sets precedent  and a culture of efficiency

### DEMERIT

- 1) Contract gets cancelled and finding new contractor takes time, money
- 2) Risk of project getting delayed further
- 3) Huge loss to contractor at a sensitive time due to family health
- 4) Employees of contractor may face the burden   
*also lack of compassion & empathy towards previous contractor)*

## Option-2

### MERIT

- 1) No impact on contractor's  mentally, economically
- 2) Employee of contractor's firm will  retain job
- 3)

### DEMERIT

- 1) Project will  get delayed
- 2) Quality of work will suffer
- 3) Subordinates will question my authority, may themselves start working less efficiently thus deteriorating culture

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\* Option - 3

MERITS

- 1) Quality of work will improve + project will get ~~first~~ finished earlier
- 2) Contractor will be fully able to focus on his son's health
- 3) Subordinates will be happy ✓

DEMERITS

- 1) Other replacement may not be as efficient as contractor at its peak
- 2) Additional expenditure in hiring 3rd party consultant contractor

also it may not  
within your legal  
powers?

I will go with option - 3 as it provides the opportunity for completing the task earlier without firing the contractor. As contractor has shown exemplary record before the accident, his firm and employees have a culture of working efficiently under able leadership. Providing 3rd party consultant with replacement might set efficiency again. Also, it will save huge time and cost that will be required in floating and hiring new contractor.

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Q-17

Article 25 of Indian Constitution provides for freedom of profession, of religion to every individual but subjected to public order and morality.

The given scenario highlights the dilemma between restricting the practices of certain groups & subsequent possibility of disturbance of peace vs. allowing violation of law and causing problems to local community.

b) Options available

Option-1 : Do nothing as my father says

#### MERITS

- 1) Peace & harmony is not disturbed
- 2) NO loss of prestige to my family

#### DEMERITS

- 1) Local communities will continue to suffer
- 2) Religious groups will may aggravate sound and speeches leading to potential clashes
- 3) Not able to uphold my moral conscience as a civil service aspirant



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Option-2 : Ask my father to stop giving donation  
to religious groups

## MERIT

- 1) If source of funding  
gets stopped, sound  
might get lower
- 2) Upholding <sup>my</sup> moral conscience
- 3) Local community members  
will support

## DEMERIT

- 1) Violating the tradition  
of my family to  
do philanthropy
- 2) Religious organisation  
might become very  
of my family  
*also doesn't serve  
the purpose?*

Option-3 : Ask my father to use his influence  
to set up a meeting between local residents,  
police officials and religious leaders. and try  
to resolve matter amicably

## MERIT

- 1) Representation to the  
voices of all parties
- 2) Possibility of a  
mutual consensus /  
a solution

## DEMERIT

- 1) Religious groups can  
see this as an influence  
by my father

*could you yourself  
ask the community  
leaders to talk  
with local resident?*

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a) Action I would take

I will go with Option-3 and try to ~~arrange~~ arrange  
meeting of all stakeholders. In that, there  
would be opportunity for all to raise their  
concerns and problems.

→ Presence of Police will serve as a legal  
reminder to religious groups not to use festive  
seasons to showcase ~~sovereignty~~

Thus, proper communication and dialogue between  
various stakeholders is the key to resolve the  
matter.

✓  
*Good approach!*

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Q-18

Female infanticide is illegal and punishable  
by law.



a) Ethical Dilemmas

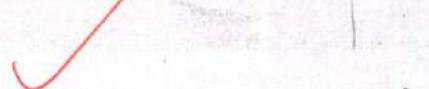
i) Rey Child: Right to live vs. Right of family  
to decide

ii) Doctor (Me): Professional  
duty to disapprove  
the action vs. Listening to  
people's representative (Health Minister)

iii) Personally: Helping my friend vs. Helps  
her family

you need  
to explain  
these  
briefly.

b) My moral obligation is to help my friend  
by providing her right guidance and  
correct advice rather than doing what  
her family says is illegal. Even though  
Health Minister says he'll take care  
but it is my professional duty as well as  
legal imperative to not allow abortion.



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c) A doctor in public hospital should obey the Health Minister when the guidelines provided by him are according to the law and morally. correct: Any kind of incorrect <sup>guideline</sup> disregarding would result in breaking of law leading to moral impugnity and taking the breaking the trust of the people.

d) Steps I would take:

Since, going to police is waste, I would approach local NGOs and media and portray the case of my friend and how her family is pressurising her to abort as well as using the Health Minister to ensure the law is broken to some serve their purpose.

To me, my professional ethics and law comes first above anything else. Media & NGOs will expose the issue and help in establishing rule of law. as more & more people become available.

Thus, integrity, honesty and objectivity is required to deal with this issue & save an unborn child from being killed.

But couldn't  
this harm your  
friend also?

Could you not  
try to persuade  
the party  
involved?

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In the long term, societal mindset must be changed through awareness along with robust implementation of laws so as to ensure the ~~exit~~ social evil of female infanticide goes away.

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Q-12

The given case highlights the ongoing & contemporary issue of corruption in public services and how to tackle them.



a) Options available

- 1) Suspend the officer that demanded bribe from the old man ✓
- 2) Give warning to all the staff in the office with strict action in future ✓
- 3) Changing the behaviour of officers and staff through training, accessible complaint systems, CCTVs cameras and making them understand the consequences of their actions. ✓

b) Option Evaluation

Option-1

MERITS

- 1) Immediate justice ✓
- 2) Deterrent to other staff - will not take bribe in future ✓

DEMERITS

- 1) Officer will lose job (although other officers also take bribe)
- 2) Will lead to staff finding innovative ways

also  
due process,  
investigation etc



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► Option - 2

MERIT

- 1) Can be effective in short run ✓
- 2) Provides the staff & officers to get improved ✓

DEMERIT

- 1) May not resolve the problem in the long run ✓

► Option - 3

MERIT

- 1) Effective in the long run due to behavioural change ✓
- 2) Better functioning of public office serving public interest ✓

DEMERIT

- 1) Will take some money, time & man hours ✓

2)

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I would go with option-3 as it would change the attitude of the staff ~~change~~ in attitude along with knowledge about the implications of taking bribe and affect the effect on the delivery ~~of~~ public service ~~would~~ should change their conscience and may lead to their changed behaviour in the future.

Also, by setting up CCTV cameras, Complaint systems, it will result in transparency and accountability to the people and will result in increased efficiency & better delivery of public services.

*Citizen charter, officer transfer, direct transfer of benefits etc?*

