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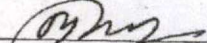
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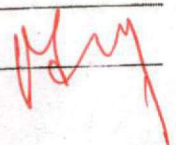
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Section - A

1. Credibility of global institutions is based on the trust of global citizenry. Discuss how transparency, trust and credibility are related in context of working of WHO in the recent past. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Public trust and transparency are considered as the hallmark of effective public service delivery.

Functioning of WHO (World Health Organisation) in Covid-19 pandemic times have come under scrutiny. There are various issues raised by nations against the WHO due to lack of promptness, transparency in global fight against pandemic.

United States alleged that WHO is parousing china and is more china-centric. After that many countries, including India advocated for major overhaul of working of WHO.

In this relation transparency in the functioning of multilateral organisations, pro-active disclosure of information about policies, programmes instill much needed trust in public. Trust is necessary for effective psd. until people trust

Highlight
various
accusation
against WHO.

Remarks

you, acceptance of policies and adherence to guidelines remain smooth.

These two, i.e. Transparency and trust complement credibility, ~~which~~. credibility ~~refers~~ implies that "certain organisations adhere to the values of objectivity, impartiality and taking concerns of all stakeholders."

Thus, we can say all these values are interdependent and very much necessary for effective functioning.

Discuss how
the lack of
public trust
has affected
WHO.

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Remarks

2. International relations are not devoid of ethics, it is just that it is governed by ethical egoism. Discuss. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

ethics means doing right thing and undoing of wrong quels ✓ while ethical egoism follows two principles, one is strict adherence to ethical values and superiority complex. ✓

ethical egoism denotes doing ~~ethical~~ things in an ethical way while assuming only oneself able and capable of doing that, egoism also involves not listening others' concerns and just imposing things. ✓

e.g. Economic sanctions on Iran by USA, are ethical in the sense that, they were not adhering to promises of JCPOA (Joint Comprehensive Partnership agreement) ✓, but there is egoism also, as USA did not listen the points of Iran. ✓

another example is issues in the Indo-Pacific region. ✓ Conflicting between

Remarks

Discuss how the ethical values differ in international level from domestic level.

China and USA does not resulting
in ethical practices. But both do not
want to disturb each other, no mutual
understanding and negotiations. This is
the manifestation of ethical egoism.

Thus, to introduce harmony between
nations by promoting ethical values and
eliminating the egoism is need of the
hour. ✓

Do you think in
present times we need
enlightened ethical
egoism?

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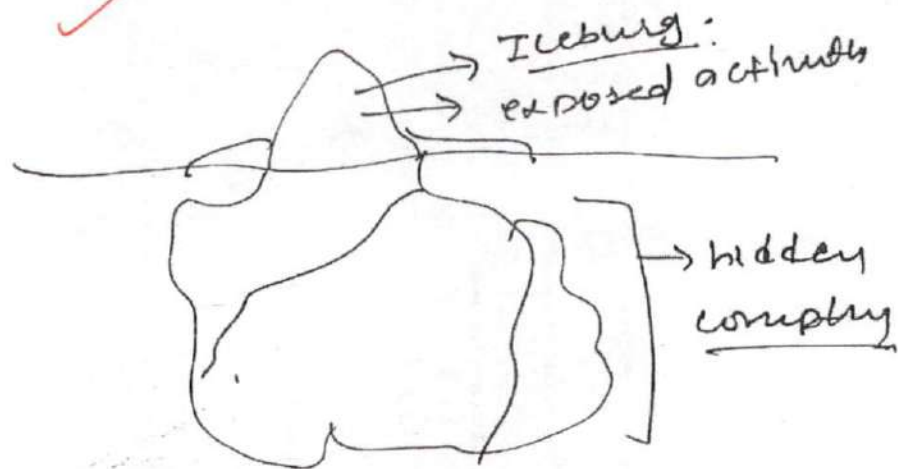
Remarks

3. What do you understand by the term 'iceberg of corruption'? Do you think India's problem of corruption is more systemic than it appears? (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Corruption is defined as "misuse of public office for private gains".

Indian problems of corruption is very much integrated in social fabric.

'Iceberg of corruption' means, we know only about those ~~at~~ misdeeds of corruption that are exposed in public domain. But there are millions of activities that go unnoticed and qualify to being a corrupt activity.



Indian scenario is same as this iceberg of corruption. High profile cases are exposed in media, so we all know about them. But there are pretty corrupting misdeeds

Remarks

Dis and why most of corruption keeps hidden.

in our daily life that not observed, by all.

e.g. giving bribe (to a called "chai-poti") to a model officer (e.g. Tahasildar) to sign a document.

We all are used to these kind of out.
 another example is using our relations
 with public servants to access certain
welfare schemes, ~~the~~ night police patrolling
 doing fraud chalan (fines) on trucks and
other vehicles.

So this corruption has become an integral
part of our social life, and we usually
 do not observe to it.

↳ discuss various systematic
 reasons for corruption like
 historical, social-economic
 reasons etc.

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Remarks

4. Winston Churchill once argued that particularly in wartime, the truth may be "so precious that she should be always be attended by a bodyguard of lies." What is your opinion on this statement? (150 Words) (10 Marks)

This particular statement makes that true information during wartime should be protected at any cost. This is also saying that protection to lies being spread is much more, and truth should be protected through these safeguard.

Protection of truth during wartime is very necessary for common good, to reputing chaos, to make clear cut policies and maintain transparency.

In a democratic country like India, the citizens are entitled and have very rights to know about what is going on to border.

e.g. recent ambiguities regarding information about Ladakh stand off as what is the stand of Indian Army, how much intrusion took place, what nego border talks are going on?

Remarks

But don't you think this approach is against Kantian principle?

~~But~~ sections of media, government establish-
 ment try to hide the real information.
 This would have severe repercussions
 such as loss of trust, faith and
 credibility of democratic institutions.
 As government attempts to suppress the
 truth and spreading misinformation
 as much powerful than the message
truth spreading.
 So Western countries rightly said that.
 Truth should be protected by bodyguards
of lies.

↳ What approach shall be
 followed by nations in
 matter of truth like
 hiding in exceptional situations

3½

Remarks

5. What do you understand by moral hazard? Discuss ethical issues associated with government bailouts of bankrupt public companies. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Moral hazard refers to a situation where we have to compromise with our moral values for greater public good. This combines both morality and issue inherent with it.

E.g.: violation of traffic rules by an ambulance to save a life of patient.

In recent times, various governments rescue certain bankrupt public companies to ensure efficient and 24x7 public delivery. But it has associated ethical issues with it;

- ① Level playing field issue: In a liberal democracy like India everyone has freedom of trade and commerce under article 19. Level playing field everyone should be treated equally (article 14).

Revised
the
concept of
moral
hazard.

Remarks

- ⑪ credibility of public institutions failure of public companies putting questions mark on their ability to deliver.
- ⑫ fairness and objectivity issue!
- ⑬ accountability of government toward public.
- ⑭ motivating failed business → would lead to more bankruptcies.
- ⑮ mis-governance further job loss
- ⑯ misappropriation of public hard-earned tax paid by public.

Thus, Bailout certainly poses threat to morality values, and more effective ways should be devised to ensure effective public service delivery.

Discuss how these
bailouts impact the attitude
of management of these
companies, countries like responsibility
etc.

2

Remarks

6. In case of pandemics like Covid-19, does the principle of "greatest good for greatest number" justify sidelining other considerations completely while developing a vaccine? What are some major ethical principles that should be taken care of during such trials? (150 Words) (10 Marks)

There are around 50 Covid-19 vaccines being developed around the world and at various phases of trials.

Lot of volunteers have applied these vaccines and taking doses.

Trials of vaccines, of unknown virus on people is not consonant with the humanitarian principle of greatest good for the greatest number. As vaccines are being prepared for millions of people. But it is sidelining other considerations such as;

- > Human rights and dignity of a human life
- > Individual integrity is being violated

However following ethical principles should be taken care of -

- ① trials should not pose threat to life of individual

Discuss the process of vaccine development & issues arising from it.

Remarks

(ii) Transparency should be maintained during trials.

(iii) Vaccine development should be only for health concerns. it should not be designed for other motives.

e.g. future biological weapons.

(iv) Affordability, accessibility should be ensured.

Thus, by adhering above ethical principles of human dignity and rights of individuals should be maintained.

also what approach should be adopted once the vaccines comes out.

3

Remarks

7. The sanctions behind the execution of 'Citizen Charters' are more moral than legal.
 Critically analyse this statement. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Citizen's ~~of~~ charters as a document that
 entitles certain promises of services,
 defined standards, guidelines for executing
economic redressal mechanism as well
 as compensating.

It has been argued that objectives of
 charters are more moral than legal;

Ensuring accountability,
 transparency of the
 Public
 Institutions

making common
people to demand
their share in
development
process.

moral
 sanctions

ensuring
 active participation
 of public / citizens
 in policy, making

Indus-
 development
 by addressing
 grievances of all
stakeholders.

Correct,
 but you
 should explain
 these in
 conventional
 words or
 not.

In this way citizen charters through
 above sanctions, ensure moral ~~the~~ values

Remarks

of auto government and public functions
 However some legal sanctions are also
present:

① Recent Tax Charter, by government
 has legal basis

② Responsibility and obligation of state
functionaries to uphold code
of ethics and conduct.

③ It is being enforced by certain rules
and regulations of military

Thus, overall moral sanctions
behind charters should be promoted
for inclusion, development

Good explanation.

4

Remarks

8. The toughest challenge for media in our times is to see how it strikes a balance between its different values and principles like truth-seeking, objectivity and sensitivity. Analyse this issue in the present context of yellow journalism. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

Recent ~~one~~ issues about ethical journalism and values, principles of media highlighted the issues of yellow journalism

Highlight the responsibility & duties of media in a democracy.

Truth speaking and objectivity come to fore when broadcasting certain issues of public and national interests.

e.g. During elections, to varied information and true condition of both countries have to be passed to the citizens of countries. But issue to be observed on the basis of merit and without prejudice toward both the parties.

another example is about "demonstrations of haves of retires Kongra Ranil. media provided too much publicity to the issue, while undermining other problems such as Asian food, land.

Remarks

sensitivity is required as taking account the emotive nature of pertinent situations.

for instance in Hathras gang rape murder case, issue of caste dominance, political angle was involved. A little bit mis- information could disturb the environment. So true objectivity, transparency have to be maintained.

Thus, in a multidimensional, diverse society like India media is the 4th pillar of democracy. So ethical principles of journalism should be adhered.

Discuss how the issues with the media may be resolved?

(B⁷/2)

Remarks

9. "Speaking truth to power" is not only a matter of courage of the speaker but also tolerance and acceptability of the authority. Reflect upon the debate around contempt court in India. (150 Words) (10 Mark)

India is a democratic country where every citizens have right to freedom of speech and expression. (Article 19)

Speaking truth, criticism of government policies and dissect to the state considered as maturity of democracy.

making state about public sentiments and pub personal interests is only possible if individual has conscience and commitment to do that.

e.g. This was seen in 'Prasanth Bhusan' Content of last issue. Mr.

Bhusan has conscience to critique judiciary even knowing consequences.

However, if authority has conscience, tolerance, i.e. respect for different views, acceptability of dissect that this values of democracy further not promoted.

Discuss the role of criticism in setting up accountability

Remarks

these values of tolerance, acceptability is somewhat missing in present government structure.

This is evident from various intend of court proceedings, even for petty things.

e.2 intend of court proceeding against murder conviction, while talking about delayed hearing of critical cases.

Thus, we can say that freedom of speech and expression about truth also depend tolerance, acceptability of the authority also.

Discusses the importance of
Contempt of the court
provisions and.

3

Remarks

10. "Profit, with integrity, leads to sustained growth". What do you understand by this statement? Discuss the ethical dimensions involved in relation to businesses, entrepreneurs and start-ups contributing to the economic growth and development of the nation. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

The above mentioned statement clearly reflects the corporate governance issue.

They say - business organisations, while taking care of their principles of transparency, accountability and ethical values, along with profit can contribute to sustainable growth.

United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) defines corporate governance as "The management of business while taking account ^{into} environmental and social concerns into their interactivity and activities".

The above definition advocates for ethical dimensions involved, which are as follows:

- ① Responsibility toward social welfare as business deriving their benefit from society itself.

↳ environment

Remarks

P.2 Corporate social responsibility (CSR)

(ii) sustainable business expansion

P.2 Pollution free, should not degrade land etc.

(iii) labour and workers rights;

P.2 working conditions, a minimum wage,
no bonded labour and child labour

(iv) indian development of society;

P.2 due respect to tribal rights, no
exploitative due to fraudulent
advertisement.

The new concept of scientific social
responsibility (SSR) can be another step
towards sustainable and equitable
economic development

Discuss using
sets such as
transparency,
accountability
etc.

3½

Remarks

11. Crisis of morality lies at the heart of all problems besetting India's electoral process. Critically analyse. (150 Words) (10 Marks)

morality refers to knowing about right way of doing things and following these righteous paths.

From time to time lot of moral issues ~~raised~~ being raised in electoral process, such as;

(i) Implementation of model code of conduct; even after monitored guidelines, supreme court interventively not being followed in letter and spirit

(ii) Communalisation and polarisation of electorate; due to various religion, caste affiliated

(iii) Purchases of votes; this is the lowest level of moral values.

(iv) Inappropriate languages of politics

e.g. A former Union minister of M.P. called an women candidate 'ITEM'

Highlight
how these
are
crisis of
morality

Remarks

① winning an election is the end which
at any cost
e.g. this undermines the fair procedure
of election.

② Blamers of electoral machinery:
e.g. sometimes putting party members
direct votes due to personal relations
with candidate

③ Transparency and accountability during
vote counting.

However, despite these issues, electoral
process in India has passed the test
of tough times. But some issues have
to resolved.

Suggest some reforms in
electoral process.

(3/2)

Remarks

12. Explain how ancient Indian concept of "Raj dharma" can help public servants better understand the value of impartiality while discharging duties in public offices.
(150 Words) (10 Marks)

Raj dharma concept arose during vedic period or may be earlier.

This say that 'every public official working under a government must be loyal, and accountable to his master. Here dharma means duties toward state.

Discuss duties assigned on kings by Raj dharma.

In contemporary, democratic society dharma of public officials is toward public as well as their mandate, that is to elected government.

Impartiality implies, serving public without any discrimination toward others.

Discuss various results of impartiality we see today.

e.g. Taking note of a problem of all people irrespective of their background, poor or rich etc.

Raj dharma, emphasise on strict

Remarks

adherence to values like non-partisanship, impartiality, accountability and efficient public service delivery.

Thus पैदा धर्म लेन है public service में understand the values of impartiality while discharging their duties in public office.

4

Remarks

13. Which of the following is a better strategy for a public servant:

- (a) Always complying with provisions of blue book (constitutional provisions and rules) irrespective of the political party in power.
- (b) Irrespective of provisions in blue books, interpreting and bending the laws, rules and regulations according to the wishes and desires of political party in power.

Give reasons in favor of the strategy you prefer and choose.

(150 Words) (10 Marks)

- complying with provisions of blue book is better strategy to follow irrespective of political party in power.

- this is because of following reasons

① To protect constitutional values and principles: The only book have every provisions for common good and serving justice to all.

② Core service values: values of objectivity, transparency and for effective public service delivery - following constitutional values is very important.

③ To ward away political interference - by do due to the most numbers of beneficiaries of all general public.

Remarks

where interests are important.

(iv) Human rights, fundamental rights can only be protected through strict adherence to constitutional provisions.

(v) Ensure non-partisanship and impartiality of Public Service.

(vi) Quality of service delivery, public participation and grievance redressal of issues faced by people can only be done by this way.

Thus, it is necessary for public service to uphold the constitutional principles at any cost.

But don't
you think
approach in
(b) has
various
personal
advantages
for a civil
servant?

4

Remarks

Section - B

In the following questions carefully study the cases presented and then answer the question that follows:

14. You are officer in charge for transfer and posting of personnel of a particular department. This position is very difficult mainly for two reasons- (i) people closer to the power corridor try to influence you and (ii) women officers often send requests to postpone transfer orders on the pretext of family responsibilities. Consider the following situations and give your views with suitable explanations.

✓ (a) A Cabinet Minister sends a D.O letter to you regarding posting of an official on a supposedly 'lucrative assignment' for which you have already decided about the name of a more competent officer with a good track record of honesty, integrity, probity and timely delivery. What will you do?

✓ (b) As per the rules in your department, every officer needs to be transferred from one destination to other after three years. A woman officer comes to you with a request that as the new destination allotted to her is far flung and remote, she would fail to provide medical treatment to her ageing and sick in-laws who need constant clinical help. But according to her innate qualities and high level of expertise, the new destination would need only officer like her to deliver best results and meet official targets. What will you do?

(c) The position of in charge of transfer and posting provides a very lucrative opportunity to cultivate liaison for a life time. One should not be 'too idealistic' to ignore such opportunities and adopt 'pragmatic approach'. Do you agree? Give reasons.

(250 Words) (20 Marks)

All the above issues are related to many conflict of interests during transfers and posting of officials.

① This case is about political interference in administrative works and supposed benevolence. I will have the following options—

① I will deny the request of the minister in first instance itself and stick to my own approach.

✓ to Bua

Remarks

(B) Deliberation may be omitted, due to the criticality of posting. I would follow this approach. It will send the past accomplish-
ment and track records of offices selected
by me, request the minister to observe the
eligibility of offices and let him to be
appointed

But don't you
think you
must take
DO seriously
& not make
this a personal
issue?

2. (b) I would follow the course of action
as given below -

> First of all I will cross check the
claims of lady offices, about rightness of
her injuries.

> I would ensure if required medical
assistance is available at proper place
of posting.

> if above are not available then, care
taken for her injuries can be provided to her
injuries. Further her relatives can be
informed about staying of injuries at
present place.

> As posting of offices is in inevitable
as due to her expertise and inmate
qualities. She will be promised that
her injuries will be taken care of by a

Discuss when
work be allowed
to suffer due
to personal
reasons.

Remarks

better way.



Remarks

15. There is a senior police officer, whose only daughter is going to be married. The police officer is very honest and upright and does not want to enter into any controversy, especially on the occasion of his daughter's marriage. On the wedding day, the officer notices that a notorious politician-cum-criminal has come to the officer's residence uninvited. Before the police officer could spot him, he stood up and said that he had just come to bless his daughter. Under this situation, the police officer is in a fix as what to do?

Some of the options are given below. Evaluate the merits and demerits of each of these options and finally suggest what course of action the police officer should take (without necessarily restricting to the options below), giving proper reasons.

- The police officer should politely ask the uninvited politician to leave the place.
- He should call his daughter and allow the politician to bless her and there after tell him to go.
- He should not take notice of the presence of the politician and allow the function to continue.
- Depute some policemen to keep an eye on him and brief him regularly (every 10 minutes) about his activities.

(250 Words) (20 Marks)

This above cases is all about ethical dilemmas. Public servants have to face in at every stage of life in public service.

① merits

- > This will ward off the controversy, as officer did not allow criminals at all.
- > No question of honesty, integrity at all.

Demerits

- > Conscience says that he should be allowed to bless daughter — crisis of conscience
- > as he openly stood up, so saying asking him to leave to display wide behavior.

and the politicians may make scene there.

Remarks

⑥ meets

> respecting our guest - "as guest is considered as form of god"

"Atithi Deo Bhava"

> display the character of politicians

> No chaos during marriage ceremony

Demeets

> could display police - criminal at one stage

↳ Next day newspapers / media might put this in public domain

> asking him to leave is not confirming its values of treating a guest

⑦ demeets

> This might result in loss of public faith and trust in officer as criminals are present in function

> loss of honesty, integrity, & ethical values.

> He might come with the intention of causing problems and disrupt the function.

meets

> No mental pressure and worries about any wrong person

> No media attention

> No interaction between officer and politician

↳ so no headlines or rumors less of any.

and risky to leaving him, unsure of his intention

Remarks

Demerits

- > violation of freedom
- > rights of politician
- > engage security operational in this activity → compromising security of other people.

Demerits

- > No possibility of his deeds.
- > If any wrong doing happen — precaution action could be taken.

heavy police in auspicious occasion!

Version of action!

with following action (b), that he call his daughter and after blessing ask her to leave. But along with this action, ask her to clear in front of media that officer did not invited her. and he just come invited and to give his blessing to daughter.

This will maintain integrity of officer and complete dissociation from notorious politician.

8

16. A villager approached a Block Development Officer (BDO) for certain information which are essential for him. Though the BDO had appointed a Public Information Officer (PIO), yet on three visits, he found PIO to be unavailable and on asking whereabouts of the PIO, the villager did not get satisfactory replies. The villager approached the State Information Commission (SIC) and filed a complaint petition. The commission issued a notice to the villager for preliminary hearing and to verify the facts of the complaints. After three repeated hearings, the Information Commission sent the complaint petition to concerned block development officer for providing the necessary information and closed the case. The BDO intimated the applicant to come on an appointed date and file an RTI application so that the required necessary information could be provided. The villager was fed up with the authorities and gave up the hope of getting the information.

- Do you justify the steps taken by various authorities? If not, why?
- Had you been the BDO, what would have your course of action, once you got direction from Information Commission?
- What were the various options available with Information Commission in this particular case and what would have been the best course of action on the part of Commission and why?

(250 Words) (20 Marks)

The case is related about the right to information and ~~complaint~~ immunity of public officials and also complex mechanism (administrative)

① steps taken by authorities are just administrative procedures that have to be followed. But for a villager who is not much aware about these mechanisms, this is a civil and damaging process of public service delivery.

In this case steps taken by authorities are not justified because of logistical reasons.

Do you think a pure bureaucratic approach was adopted here?

Remarks

- > Complexity of procedure to get an informedly, while considering the situation of applicant.
- > Absence of PTO — if he would have been available then matter would have been solved at primary level.
- > Lack of efficient, ~~modern~~ and effective public service delivery.

Discusses the lack of ICT et.

⑥ If I would be the BPO, following would have the course of action —

(1) Instantly informed the illness that he can come to office when he feels comfortable and get the informedly.

(2) If ICT infrastructure is available I ask him to file RTI application online and ensure he will get appropriate information of same.

Possible

(3) I will ensure the attendance of PIO in future and not other people will have this situation.

(4) as soon as possible a relevant redressal mechanism would be

Remarks

established at local level.

① State Information Commission also followed a very cumbersome procedure.

following course of action would have been the best one -

① Filing complaints very instantly and verification of claims, as soon as possible

② only one time hearing would have been suffice, ~~but~~ considering the issues faced by common people in litigating

(iii) Rather than forwarding the application to BDO, SIC would have asked the

Compensation
for delays
etc.

~~information~~ BDO to provide information to village without delay and application or provide home delivery of information if possible.

That course of action would have created less problems to access the information. To conclude right to access to information is a fundamental rights. ~~The~~ administration should follow smooth delivery of service.

8 1/2

Remarks

17. It is a State where prohibition is in force. You are recently appointed as the Superintendent of Police of a district notorious for illicit distillation of liquor. The illicit liquor leads to many death, reported and unreported, and causes a major problem for the district authorities.

The approach till now had been to view it as a law and order problem and tackle it accordingly. Raids, arrest, police cases, and criminal trials - all these had only limited impact. The problem remains as serious as ever.

Your inspections show that the parts of the district where the distillation flourishes are economically, industrially and educationally backward. Agriculture is badly affected by poor irrigation facilities. Frequent clashes among communities gave boost to illicit distillation. No major initiatives had taken place in the past either from the government's side or from social organizations to improve the lot of the people.

Which new approach will you adopt to bring the problem under control?

(250 Words) (20 Marks)

The above case is perfect example of social and economical backwardness of people and particular region and resulted ~~as~~ criminal & activities, law and order issues.

Highlight various ethical & social issues involved

→ my new approach will be as follows

(i) mapping of the particular region!

To obtain ~~also~~ information about the extent of liquor distilling, their links with other regional gangs, maplas, inter-state trade etc.

(ii) Information about education, health and other social infrastructure, along with this I would invest

Remarks

with environment, people from the public register about gravity of situation.

(iii) Awareness generally companies about harmful consequences of this organised crime on economy, health and educational development.

→ Following with district administration

(iv) Providing irrigation facilities through rejuvenating traditional water storage systems, developing more infrastructure such as canals, water lines etc.

along with this ensuring adequate availability of seeds and fertilizers.

(v) establishing infrastructure of schools,

being health centres, and skill development

opportunities → through district administration

MUNICIPALITY can be employed for schools,

buildings.

skill development under PM-

Koshal vikas yojna, ITI centres.

(vi) making proposal to some industries, based on agro-products or other to set up their units in the region

But
SP you have
some limitations
how could
you
address
these things?

Remarks

(vii) establishing annual harmony, by talking to ~~both~~ leaders of both Committee and establishing local harmony Committee, celebrating festivals together

(viii) with all above means, with crackdown on these illegal liquor distilleries. Busting shops with maples, inter state jags ~~with the~~ in coordination with district authorities

job offers
to youngsters
etc.

These types of situations are all pervasive whenever there is backwardness. Thus a multistakeholder and all encompassing approach is needed

2

Remarks

18. As a District Magistrate in a tribal area, you have found that there are many superstitious practices which inhibit the welfare of the people such as - believing in super natural powers responsible for droughts, famines, natural disasters and diseases, witch hunting, fatalism (surrendered to fate rather than making efforts to change). While aspiring to act as an agent of change and development in the region, you find that there is opposition by people to modern ideas and practices. Answer the following questions:

- How will you proceed to remove superstition in tribal area and instill rationality among the people?
 - Do change and progress needed to dismantle the local traditions in the tribal area?
 - How a civil servant can win the trust of the people in a tribal area?
 - How to ensure people's participation in any measure which you have suggested?
- (250 Words) (20 Marks)

The case is about resultant backwardness due to opposition to new ideas.

(a) > I will try to communicate with the tribal chief, religious leaders such as shaman, etc.

> I will take these people into confidence and convince them about cons of following traditional beliefs.

> By providing them examples of eradication of problems by following rationalist approach.

> Interaction with mainstream people, taking help of sociologists and anthropologist would be helpful.

Remarks

Don't you think promoting education to children etc could help?

⑥ Since time memorial changes and progressive outlook of society have been dismantled various traditional beliefs and values. ✓

e.g. abolishing of sati and sarda in India

> changes in social, economic, technological outlook provides new ideas and experiences. These new ideas and beliefs lead to dismantling of traditional practices. ✓

e.g.: primitive religious practices are diminishing in tribal regions.

⑦ To win a trust of tribal banking approach needed -

> To interact with tribal people frequently or if possible in their own language

> provide them benefits of welfare schemes but without disturbing their own way of life.

> following a relativistic approach - accept them as they are and respecting their beliefs and practices.

> ensure their representative

But all change shall be brought by forceful dismantling by Govt.?

Discuss how credibility among them be improved.

Remarks

in policy matters.

e.g. Baran Sabharwal should be consulted
in approving development projects

④ To ensure people's participatory

> provide them their own political
freedom.

e.g. 6th schedule - Autonomous Councils

> Implementation of existing
provisions:

e.g. PESA 1996.

> effective functioning of tribe advisory
Council (TAC)

> grievance redressal mechanism

> frequent interaction with leaders.

> Awareness generally

To conclude tribals by India facing
multifold issues, economically, socially
and politically. Their welfare should
be assured with while providing due
respect to their unique identity.

But how
would you
remove their
hesitation
fear etc.

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Remarks

19. Manual scavenging refers to the practice of manually cleaning, carrying, disposing or handling in any manner, human excreta from dry latrines and sewers. The Government of India has adopted two-pronged strategy - eliminating insanitary latrines and developing a comprehensive rehabilitation package for manual scavengers through a survey. However, while manual scavenging for many may have ended as a form of employment, the stigma and discrimination associated with it lingers on, making it difficult for former or liberated manual scavengers to secure alternate livelihoods.

This is quite a common social stigma attached with them in the society.

One day a few manual scavengers, employed to clean sewer and toilets inside the District Court complex by the Public Works Department, were neither given any safety equipment, nor gloves. When the advocates in the court premises opposed this, the engineer ignored them by denoting the manual scavenging as "a small work" with no hazards involved. When opposed by a few advocates again, it led to a fight between PWD workers and advocates. Later advocates called a press conference and raised the issue - "We saw a few workers who were clad in their inners and were inside the drain cleaning it with bare hands. We (lawyers) got together and opposed it but the engineers did not listen to us. Despite the Supreme Court passing a judgment on this issue, it is shocking that even in court complexes, manual scavenging continues. Even government organizations are not following the government rules."

You are a district administration head. Due to the above stated case, following situation arises:

- All those involved in the manual scavenging and others ad hoc safaikaramchari went on strike and demanded for better livelihood. When you called all the community members for a meeting to discuss the issue, no one turned up.
- Advocates came to you and demanded for stringent action against the official and threatened to go on strike.
- When you called to PWD official for understanding their version of the issue, they told you that it was an urgent assignment pressurized from above; thus they did not have time going for scheduled procedure. They felt very demotivated.

What are the best options available to solve the above stated problems? How will you effectively address all the issues? And also discuss limitations of each course of action.

(250 Words) (20 Marks)

Abuse is about rampant manual scavenging practices in our country. This therefore leads to loss of life and confrontation between groups.

Remarks

public officials
and engineers.

manual
scavengers.

stakeholders

district
administration

advocates - who
lead citizens against
public officials.

→ options I have

- ① will call up ~~both~~ leaders of
self-help groups, once again for
tasks

will try to address all their
concerns regarding livelihood → through
skills development, alternative jobs.
in nearby industrial units

I will ensure their minimum
wage unless they get alternative
livelihoods.

Issue - NO guarantee of alternative livelihood

- ② Int mediate between advocates
and public work department

↳ will call both parties and
solve the matter by mutual

Remarks

Interactions. While ordering PWD officials to follow necessary security protocols. Providing safety gear to manual scavengers.

— Limitation is that in future no guarantee is to following of security protocols. This is only an immediate solution.

③ In long term: I will issue guidelines regarding security of manual scavengers, this alternative livelihood and rehabilitative through various government schemes.

— Promotion of flush water schemes and discouraging dry ones.

— Ensuring better education facilities to their children and alternative livelihood opportunity.

To conclude, manual scavenging helping other social evils, such as untouchability, discrimination etc to perpetuate.

To promote an inclusive development agenda, elimination of this practice is need of hour.

Discuss how would you deal with issues with PWD, advocates

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Remarks

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