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ETHICS II

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2. All the questions are **compulsory**.
3. The number of marks carried by each question (or part) is indicated against it.
4. Word limit in questions wherever specified should be adhered to.
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① Remember to add questions
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② Don't give too much emphasis
for introduction.



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1. What do you understand by "Civil service neutrality"? Is it inevitable for a public servant to maintain neutrality under all circumstances? (10 Marks)

(Don't write anything in this area)

Civil service neutrality refers to the act of maintaining impartiality & non partisanship in service

→ It ensures that decisions are objective & not driven by personal interests

→ It prevents misuse of power/public money

eg) TNL sesam — At sesam in MLC & election process

→ It also prevents discrimination on the basis of caste, class, sex etc.

→ It can help to save bureaucratic from politicisation

eg) Poornam Malakondiah IAS against Corruption



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Is it inevitable to maintain neutrality in all instances?

(Don't write anything in this area)

Yes) → It is inevitable because

- ① It promotes efficient service delivery as people are not discriminated
eg Caste discrimination
- ② it prevents politicisation of bureaucracy
- ③ It is necessary to maintain 'apolitical nature' envisaged by SV Patel.

No) →

- ① Conflict of interest can make one corrupt
eg Bidding for funds
- ② Lack of public morale can lead to erosion of neutrality
eg Nepotism & corruption

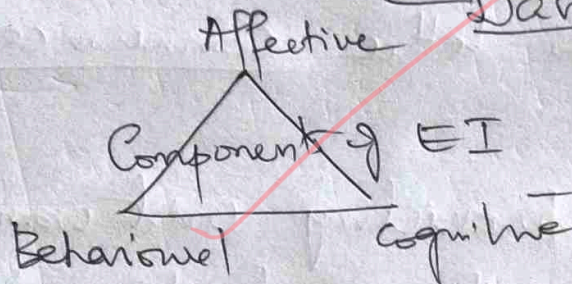


2. How does emotional intelligence contribute to positive work culture and productivity in the work space? (10 Marks)

(Don't write anything in this area)

"Emotional intelligence is the ability to use emotions for you & not against you"

— David foleman



Contribution to Work culture & Work space productivity

1) Better interpersonal relations

— A person with good EI can understand the emotional problems of other person and can act accordingly

eg pacifying a colleague for long promotion

2) It can improve better



Leadership skills

eg a good leader can assign the most important work to talented one without hurting others

(Don't write anything in this area)

3) Promotes better communication skills

eg providing criticism without hurting sentiments

4) Promotes better Work life balance

eg separating work issues from personal issues

5) Can take criticism positively as a way to one's career progression.

from as Marius Aukhins said

"Masters of Mind have been masters of World"



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3. Are ethical values rooted in reason or emotions of human beings? Analyse

(10 Marks)

(Don't write anything in this area)

Ethical values are the principles that guide a person's actions in public & private sphere.

Ethical values rooted in reason

1) The departmental code of instructions can act as the source of ethics which are based on reason

eg Medical code of ethics

2) The society we live in can act as a source of ethics

eg Capital punishment in India is ethical for grave crimes

3) Religion can act as the source of ethics which is based on religious reasoning eg Theist supplanting God

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Ethical values rooted in emotions

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1) A compassionate person find it ethical in dealing with situations like displacement, disaster by speedy arrangement for rehabilitation.

2) Family values like love, respect, care etc can act as a source for ethics
eg Respecting elders

3) Personal experiences in life make one choose decisions based on ethics emotions.

eg Philanthropy by billionaires who were once poor

As Kantilke says,
"ethics changes with space & time"



4. What do you understand by conflict of interest? Why identification and resolution of such situations is of utmost important in public services? (10 Marks)

(Don't write anything in this area)

Conflict of interest refers to a situation where personal values & public values are in conflict with each other

→ It can lead to crisis of conscience as choosing one can lead to a great loss on the other side

eg ① Awarding a tender to friend can compromise integrity

② It can lead to poor work life balance as selecting one can affect the loss of the other

Why identification & resolution necessary?

1) failing to identify and resolve can compromise integrity

eg Corruption by Pooja Sanghvi



2) It can lead to negotiation & favoritism thus affecting efficiency of service

eg Pooja Khedkar IAS case

3) Continuous breach of public values for personal benefit can lead to breach of trust of public in system.

eg Lokniti CDS survey - (21% → not trusting no trust)

4) If it is not identified it will lead to loss of fear of systemic failure

eg Chhatta Han Attitude in corruption

5) It can lead to partial & biased decisions affecting fair competition

eg Interviewing a relative
Recusal from such situations can help in rectifying Conflict of Interest

(Don't write anything in this area)



5. Discuss the various ethical justifications for the concept of sustainable development (10 Marks)

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According to Brundtland Report
Sustainable development refers to
the responsible use of resources
in order to save for the
future

eg shift from non renewable
to renewable energy

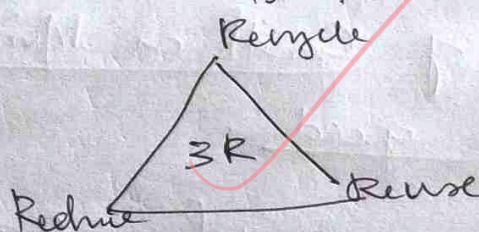


Fig: Principle of SD.

Ethical justifications

1) Ecological Primitivism where
resources must be conserved
for future generations.

2) Climate justice — sustainable
development promotes equal access
to resources without leaving



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anyone behind

eg Paris summit
goals of Clean Development

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3) To prevent climate refugees arising from unsustainable use of resources.

4) Promotion of Gandhian Minimalism to control greed.

5) Eurocentric view where animals & plants are treated as an end in itself.

eg Jain view of soul for every being.

Hence as Gandhi says

"There is enough for everyone's need & not for everyone's greed"



6. "The ordinary man is an anarchist. He wants to do as he likes. He may want his neighbour to be governed, but he himself doesn't want to be governed" What do you understand from this quote? (10 Marks)

(Don't write anything in this area)

The given quote highlights the ~~sq~~ ^{idea} of man to be governed by himself and his urge to ~~interfere~~ ^{interfere} in matters of other people.

Meaning of the quote

Humans always believe that they are morally good compared to others. As a result, they hold themselves correct & leaves no room for correction from external sources like law, other people, etc.

be taken as example

eg. Cow Vigilantists believe that their actions of punishing others for consuming cow is right without introspecting their action of violence.

→ Such people have a tendency to



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be intolerant to the actions of others and develop a sense of exclusionism to the views of others. As a result, they try to govern & control others without allowing others to do the same on them.

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→ Forced religious conversions, moral policing etc. showcases the given attitude of misuse of personal liberty.

→ If they continue the same, it can lead to violence from hate speech, communal disharmony etc.

Hence as 6 blindmen went made wrong judgements because of exclusionism, one should abstain from intolerance & exclusionism.

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7. What do you understand by political literacy? How can it contribute to the development of a nation? (10 Marks)

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Political literacy refers to knowing about one's political rights & working about the political system of the country

eg Voting Awareness about voting rights \Rightarrow More voting in the society

\rightarrow It can be incorporated through School syllabuses, Campaigns, Sty led initiatives etc.

eg SVEEP Campaign for political literacy

Contribution to development of nation

1) A politically literate society can make leaders accountable for their actions

eg social audits

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2) Awareness of political rights improves participation of people in decision making

eg Gram Sabha

3) It can also lead to increased transparency of the system

eg RTI mechanisms

4) Political liberty through literary lead to deliberative democracy where decisions are based on consensus of people

eg MyGov App

5) It also ensures proper grievance redressal & reduction of corruption

eg PRAKATI portal

As Kautilya says

"In the happiness of people lies the happiness of king"

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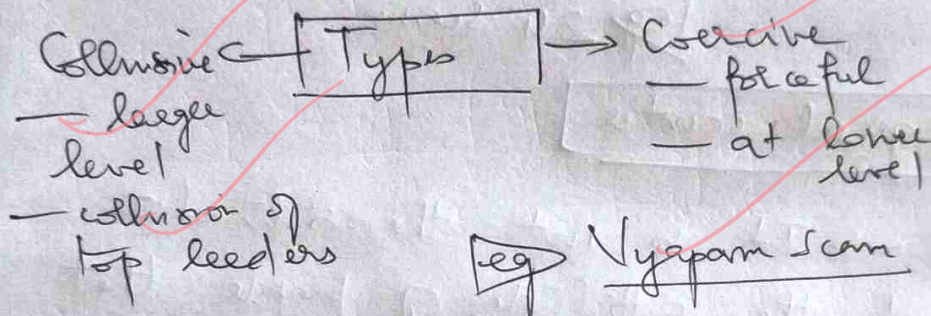
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8. What are the justifications extended by people who involve in corruption? How will you logically counter these justifications? (10 Marks)

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"Corruption is the misuse of power for personal gains"

— Transparency International



Justifications for corruption

1) Poor pay scale forcing people to indulge in corruption (2nd ARC report)

2) Red tapism & delay in service leading to coercive corruption

eg bribing for early clearance

3) Immunities available for civil servants leading to lack of fear

eg Kamti lyas

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Fish & Water Concept

4) systemic attitude of 'chalta hai' culture leading to endemicity of corruption

eg 24 scam

Logical counter

→ It is not the situations but the attitude of people that lead to corruption eg self aggrandisement

→ Politicisation of bureaucracy occurs due to lack of courage & integrity.

→ Big heroes in civil service like Narinder Kumar IPS, Durga Nagpal IAS etc. did not indulge in corruption despite huge pressure. This shows that corruption is a choice & not an obligation.

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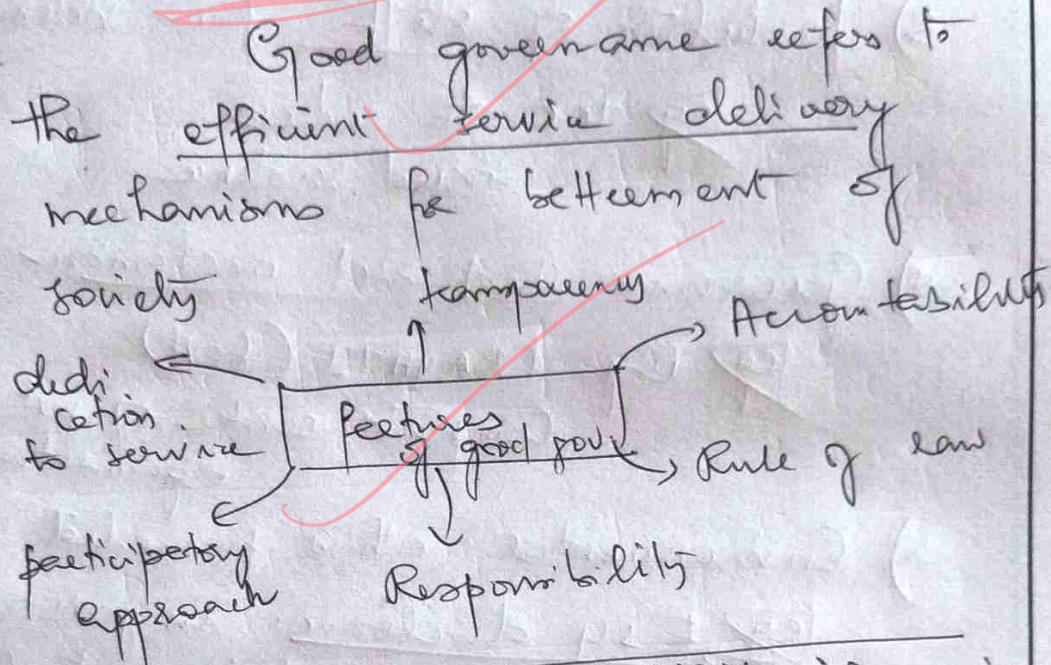


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9. How far does the concept of good governance in the public domain concur the same in the private sector? Discuss (10 Marks)

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Good governance ~~concerning~~ ^{concerns} with in public & private sector

1) Motto of efficient service delivery
eg target goals monthly & weekly for better results

2) promotion of transparency & accountability

eg Tax filing + citizen charter / disclosure in office

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3) protection of staff from violence

eg ICC to redress sexual violence

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4) Grievance Redressal mechanism

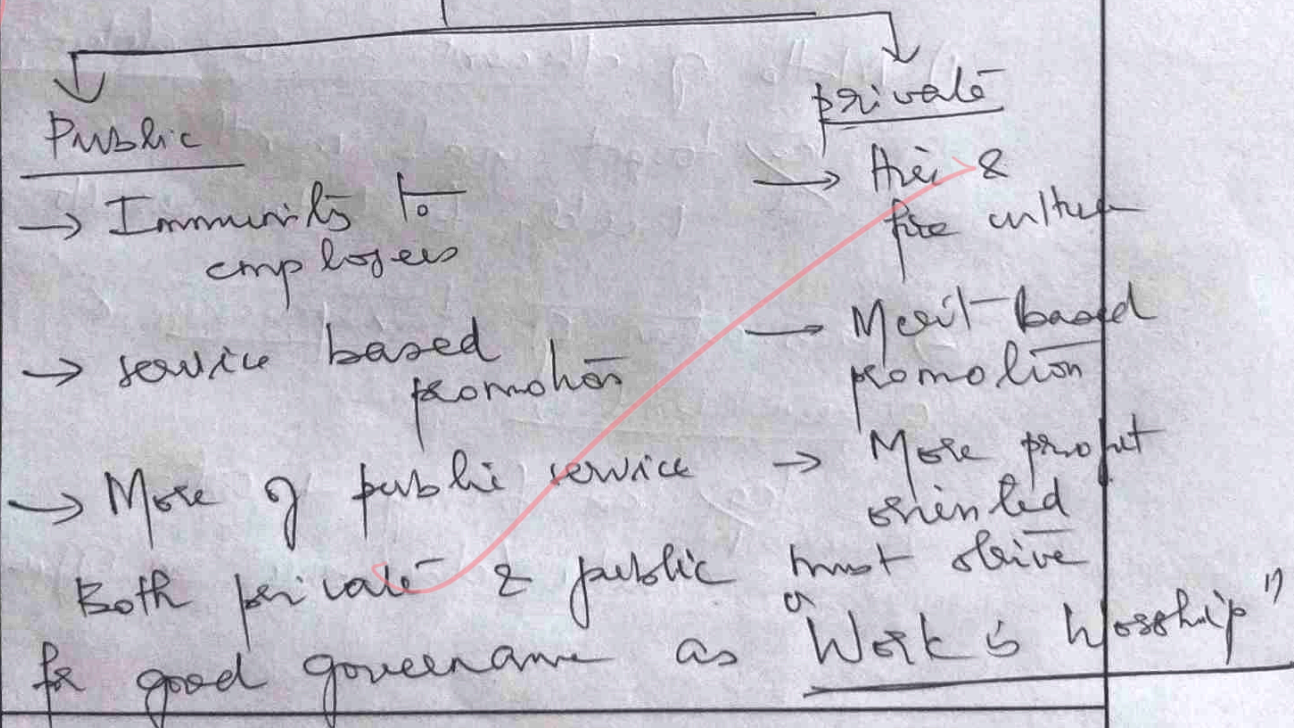
eg My PRAYATI (Govt)

Complaint centres of pub. organisation

5) Environmental ethics promoted

eg ESY disclosures in private
→ sustainable buildings of public service

Difference





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10. What were the main teachings of Vardhamana Mahavira? How significant they are in the contemporary world? (10 Marks)

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Mahavira, Jain Tirthankara, proposed values like honesty & non violence that are universal in nature.

Mahavira's teachings & their significance in present world

<u>Teachings</u>	<u>Present World</u>
1) <u>Anekantavade</u> - every element has soul & is intrinsically valid	⇒ 1) <u>Environmental ethics</u> → Man as an end in itself
2) <u>Syad-vade</u> - theory of <u>relativity</u> is everything is relative	⇒ 2) <u>promotes tolerance</u> <u>moral relativism</u> = multiculturalism

⇒ Panna Mahavastu
→ Abstinence from

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- a) stealing
- b) lying
- c) Indulgence
- d) Violence

⇒

3) promotes
non violence
& honesty in
services

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4) Concept of
liberation &
bondage due
to karmic obstacles
& law of karma

⇒

4) Makes one
act ~~good~~
morally
— prevents
violence

5) Promotion
of ahimsa

⇒

promotes
respecting
lives of
people

Hence the morals of ^{Mahavira} Jainism
thousands years & time

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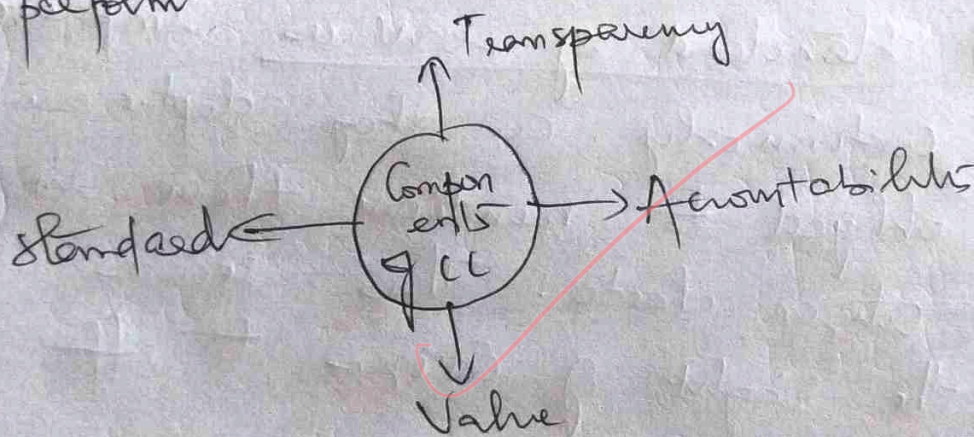
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11. How does the concept of Citizens Charter reinvent the notion of social contract?

(10 Marks)

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Citizens Charter is a document that discloses the the propaganda agenda & working of a particular department. Social Contract theory of ^{Hobbes} refers to the concept where rights of citizens are guaranteed for the duty they perform.



How CC reinvent notion of social contract?

1) Publishing details of activities of the department lead to transparency & thereby enforce

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Right to information of citizens.

2) It makes them accountable for their actions thus lead to efficient delivery of services.

3) Citizen charter ensures value for taxpayers money and thus rights are ensured.

4) Standard of services improves continuously as they dept's are obliged to mention them in citizen charter. This secures the right of citizens to eff. good governance.

Hence As Trent Shelton says

"Transparency of one leads to transformation of other"

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12. "The serpent, the king, the tiger, the stinging wasp, the small child, the dog owned by other people, and the fool: these seven ought not to be awakened from sleep". Explain the meaning and significance of this view of Kautilya (10 Marks)

(Don't write anything in this area)

The given quote highlights the negative traits that human beings possess and has to be tucked away for preservation of morality.

Meaning & significance of the view

In the given quote, diff. persons represent different negative traits like hate, authoritarianism, greed, for power, poisonous attitude, naïve innocence, foolishness that can kill the well being of a person as well as the society.

→ The above traits can lead to violence, intolerance, hate, stupidity in one's life & hence it is better to keep them in a dormant state.

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For eg Adolf Hitler's life
story explains how a deadly
combination of the above traits
can lead to destruction of
mankind which finally culminated
in World War 2.

On similar lines, we can
see how colonial imperialism
a combination of above traits
wreaked havoc in the lives
of people of different parts of the
Global World including India.

Hence as Thomas Hobbes says
'Man possesses animal instincts' and
these can be controlled with
'Iron hand' of power.

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13. "Excellence is never an accident. It is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, and intelligent execution; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives - choice, not chance, determines your destiny." What do you understand from this quote of Aristotle? (10 Marks)

(Don't write anything in this area)

The given quote highlights the background of success & excellence one attains which can be attributed to the right action & choices of people.

eg Mahatma Gandhi's satyagraha

Meaning of the quote

→ A person reaches success not at one go. Rather it is a journey of choosing between the right & wrong choices & executing the same in the most efficient manner.

→ When one is presented with choices, s/he can analyse the 'Cost benefit ratio' & pick the



best that can speed up their progress to success.

eg) The Indian Man Mission
MOM was an excellent

illustration of how choice, right action, continued execution lead to excellence & progress.

Similarly the story of Thomas Alva Edison who strived to excellence by through perseverance, strong intention & wise choices to finally invent the bulb.

Even if one falls in the journey to success one must have the strength to stand up again & then choose the right option by listening the voice of your heart.

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14. Delay in bail for undertrials, and then delay in release once the bail order has been granted are two pervasive issues existing within the Indian jail system. It results in overcrowded jails and also the demographic profile shows that it is filled mostly with underprivileged sections of the society. 'Bail was the rule and jail is the exception' was said by Justice Krishna Iyer in an attempt to bring progressive changes in the criminal jurisprudence. Nila worked as a daily wage worker in Mumbai. She and her husband were from a village in Madhya Pradesh who came in search of livelihood in Mumbai. Recently she was arrested suspecting her to be involved in the murder of a person where she worked. After trial she was sentenced to 20 years even though only circumstantial evidence existed. During this time she came to know she was pregnant and applied for bail. She was granted bail by the high court immediately based on her health grounds. But Nila didn't leave the jail for next 20 years. The reason for delay in release was that her bail order didn't reach the jail authorities from High Court. It was only after her son who grew up in juvenile home approached the court again that the issue came to light. Nila was devastated as her family grew apart and son had to grow up in a juvenile home. She cursed her destiny while her son said it is not her fault but the system which failed them.

(Don't write anything in this area)

- Analysing the case bring out the issues associated with the case.
- What do you understand by proactive public service and in your opinion was the jail authorities lacking basic civil service values?
- Do you feel whether the family background of Nila or the systemic issues existing within the system that resulted in such a scenario?
- After hearing the news, what changes in judicial system will you bring forth to avoid such instances in future?

(20 Marks)

Art 21 Guarantees right to fair trial for every citizen of the country. The given case study is the violation of fair trial & under-reporting in the life of Nila

2) Issues

1) Discrimination in justice system where Nila's background of

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poverty denied her a fair trial.

2) Bureaucratic apathy — as the system failed to address the release granted.

3) Right to life of child at stake as the child is forced to grow at juvenile home → impact on his mental health

4) Lack of professional integrity from the side of judges.

5) Erosion of empathy & compassion as mere circumstantial evidence

ground for the arrest.
6) Violation of maternal rights

5) Proactive public service

→ It ensures 'substantive justice' where outcome is centred than procedure.

→ Incorporation of values like empathy & compassion.

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→ fair application of 'democratic morality' to take situation based decisions

(Don't write anything in this area)

→ In my opinion — Jail authorities lacked basic civil service values like empathy, moral reasoning & dedication to service as they failed to provide a fair trial and speedy bail for Nile.

c) Family background/systemic issues

→ Family background as Reason

→ ① she lacked access to judicial proceedings like fair trial & representation due to poor financial status

→ ② Discrimination/negative

attitude of police & judiciary where it is believed that poor commits violence



- systemic issues as reason
- ① Bureaucratic apathy to reduced to in delay
 - ② Red tapism → lengthy procedures
 - ③ Lack of hierarchy and objective decision making

(Don't write anything in this area)

d) Changes in judicial system

1) Access to speedy trials through mobile & e courts
(shotgrouse singh case)

2) Fair application of law by training police officers.

3) Right to free representation through NALSA, adjudic ADR etc

4) Creation of awareness among people → Judicial literacy

"Justice delayed is Justice denied"



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15. Karan and Vijay are two senior officers working with BCAS. The Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) has the responsibility to lay down standards and measures in respect of security of civil flights at International and domestic airports in India. Karan is the senior of Vijay both in age and job. The civil aviation ministry is looking for a suitable person to head a division which is considered crucial for national security and involves building a team of aviation specialist. Junior and senior are both considered for the job as both are technically efficient and morally upright basically making them fit for the job. But Vijay is more preferred by colleagues due to better leadership qualities. It is added that Vijay's communication style makes it easier to have discussions with him and, he is more approachable for other colleagues. Overseeing seniority, the Ministry selected Vijay for the post and selection of junior created an uproar within the organisation as it went against the precedent. The seniors felt it can create a trend and will also affect their promotion prospects. The issue was addressed by organisations stating they do not view him as a potential leader especially in this post which is critical for the country and requires team effort rather than one man show.

(Don't write anything in this area)

- (a) Analysing the case bring out the issues associated.
- (b) What do you understand by being a 'team player' and bring out the characteristics of a team player. Do you feel you are a team player and why?
- (c) In your opinion is it the experience or better acceptance by all that should be the criteria for the above selection?
- (d) Suppose you are overlooked for promotion after you enter the civil services, how will you act? (20 Marks)

The given case study highlights the dispute between 'merit & seniority' where Vijay a junior is appointed as the head of the division.

a) Issues in the case
I. BCAS → ① Conflict of Merit vs seniority

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⇒ Ethical dilemma caused by
protest of senior officers

II. Vijay → ④ Right to a fair position in job is at stake due to protest
→ ⑤ professional enemies from colleagues.

(Don't write anything in this area)

III. Karam & services → ① Security of career progression at risk
→ ② professional integrity vs personal interest at stake

b) Team player + me as a team player

→ A team player is the one who works along with the team
then against the team.

eg Manohar Singh Dhoni's
proactive role as a team player

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→ A team player must possess good emotional intelligence, dedication to service, impartiality & efficiency to perform better results.

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→ I feel that I'm a good team player because:

During my college days, I was involved in voluntary service during the flood period. I arranged my team members to ~~promote~~ provide mental, physical support for the people and was later awarded for the same from college.

c) Experience must be promoted over acceptance by all. Acceptance by all can be driven by subjective/personal interests and against the Weberian methodology. However experience should be belated.



by talent for the betterment
of the system. This promotes
efficiency in the system.

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d) If I'm overlooked for promotion
I'll do the following measures:

1) Communicate with the department
~~for overlooking my promotion to~~
know the reasons for overlooking
my promotion.

2) If the reasons are satisfiable,
then I'll try to correct the
mistakes in my activities and
strive for excellence.

3) If they are not satisfiable, I'll
communicate the information to
the higher authorities to point
out the prevalence of nepotism &
favoritism.

This can uphold the 'Bureaucratic
Morality' of Weberian philosophy.



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16. George Westinghouse was the engineer who introduced the train emergency chain brake mechanism. It is designed to help passengers during acute emergencies. Misusing the alarm chain pulling device is considered a punishable offense under Section 141 of the Railways Act, 1989. Offenders can face a fine of Rs. 1000, imprisonment for up to one year, or both, depending on the severity of the misuse. Rising alarm chain pulling incidents have emerged as one of the reasons for adversely affecting the efficiency and punctuality of the entire Indian railway network system. Suresh who is a senior RPF officer is dealing with one such case. Recently a specific section of the railway network in Kerala is facing repeated chain pulling and it is mostly seen in a particular night time passenger train. The delay in restoring service in the passenger train is subsequently delaying other trains. Suresh has been entrusted by his seniors to identify the root cause and to give strict punishment to set an example. He goes in Mufti in the night train and finds the culprits. They were a large group of daily wage workers who find it easy to get down at a spot near their home as bus connectivity to their village was not available in the night time. None of the other passengers in the train are willing to testify as they felt the action of villagers was not wrong because of the circumstances and in general they were not happy with the governance. Suresh decides not to impose punishment and asks the villagers not to pull chain again and promises to discuss the connectivity issue with local authorities and said if the mistake is again committed he will definitely fine them.

(Don't write anything in this area)

- (a) Analysing the case bring out the issues associated with the case.
- (b) Do you feel Suresh was right in not imposing fines on the villagers as the rule says misusing the alarm chain is punishable?
- (c) What do you understand by essence of law? In your opinion in the above instance which is better 'rule of law' or 'due process of law' and why?

(20 marks)

According to John Locke
'Natural theory of justice' Rights
are gifts of God. The given case
study portrays the violation of
'Right to have service' for the
daily wage workers & ethical
dilemma of Suresh

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a) Issues

1) Duty call vs empathy & compassion
— Suresh has to do the duty without affecting the condition of daily wages

2) Bureaucratic apathy in infra-
structure development

3) Poor living conditions of ^{daily} wage employees (NCR Report)
NHRC

4) Lack of proper service delivery
to customers due to churning

5) Loss of Revenue for Railways
as time is money.

b) Position of Suresh

→ Suresh's decision of not imposing fine is not legally right

(Don't write anything in this area)



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- As the act is punishable
- It also depicts his lack of dedication to service as the passengers are involved.
 - It is also a violation of Utilitarian principle of Bentham as happiness of maximum is not considered
 - Continuing the same can set a precedent & lead to more such incidents & is violation of objectivism
 - However from legal ethical point of view his action is justified as the daily wage workers are dealt with compassion

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c)

Essence of law refers to taking the real meaning / intent of law without going word by word interpretation.

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For eg: Doctrine of pith & substance promotes the concept of essence of law.

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In my opinion rule of law is better than 'due process of law' in the given case because:

- 1) Pulling of chains can create loss of time & money for both passengers & Railway.
- 2) If they are spared, the same will be misused by other people.
- 3) It is upon the local politicians to see to the developmental requirements of the region.
- 4) 'Sense of duty' needs to be upheld rather than empathy in the given case.
Hence 'objectivity is the measure of development'.



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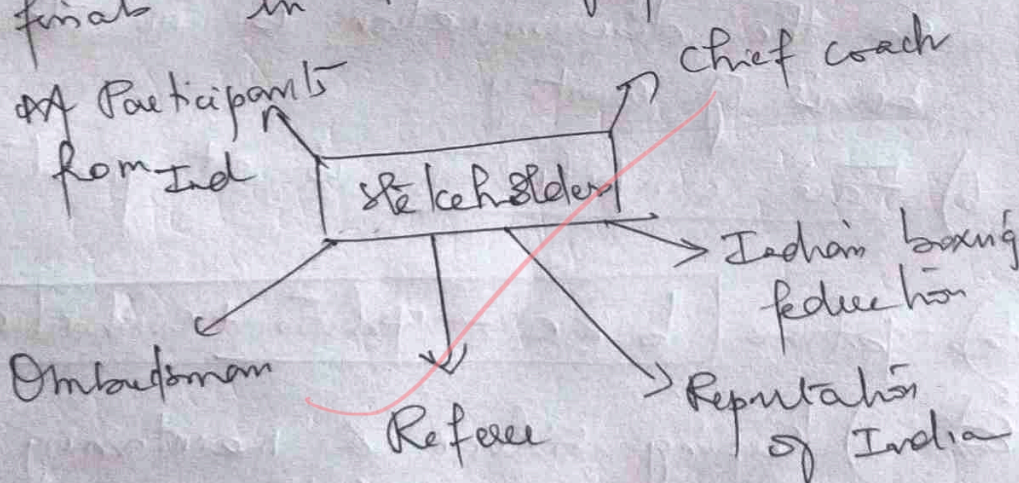
17. You are the chief coach of Indian boxing team. In the recent world boxing championship held in Budapest your team is having potential to win medals in various weight categories. After the initial few matches it has come to your attention that the referees are mostly biased against the Indian boxers. You bring this to the attention of the official ombudsman appointed to resolve the crisis. Even the ombudsman after being showcased precise evidence was not so willing to act in an unbiased manner rather he started accusing the Indian delegation of bringing to light unwanted issues for media attention. You later leave the matter for time being so that you can focus on your prospective medal winners. During the bronze medal match in the 75 kg event repeated penalties were imposed against Indian boxer in spite of no clear evidence. Even though your boxer won the medal and your team members started losing their morale. You later felt that this a systemic issue of racial bias but couldn't substantiate it.

(Don't write anything in this area)

- (a) Analysing the case, bring out the issues involved.
- (b) What are the options available to you?
- (c) Critically evaluate each of these options and choose the option, you would adopt?
- (d) How will you act when you feel the whole world is against you?
- (e) Do you feel it is better to immediately reactor to keep quiet and act later in such instances

(20 Marks)

The given case study resembles the recent event of disqualifying Ms. Phogat in Wrestling competition finals in Paris Olympics.



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Q) Issues

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- 1) Prevalence of social discrimination in international sphere.
- 2) Poor ethical morale of referee & ombudsman showcasing violation of impartiality
- 3) Mental well being of the candidates at stake
- 4) Reputation of country India at risk
- 5) Violation of International ethics as the discrimination is on the basis of country
- 6) Fair competition is at question
- 7) Options [b e c - options + evaluation]
 - 1) keeping silence & maintaining status quo.



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Merits

1) Competition will be conducted without any fight

Demerits

1) Fair competition violated
2) Loss of reputation for India
3) Precedent for future discrimination

(Don't write anything in this area)

2) Protest against discrimination

Merits

1) deterrence to racial discrimination
2) fair competition ensured

Demerits

1) Lead to International disputes
2) Reputation of India still at risk

3) Leaking information to Media anonymously

The given option will be chosen because:
→ I will leak the information to media
→ After receiving the global attention

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a press meet will be held to throw light on the issue.

→ I will also demand for an independent investigation to check the foul play

→ This ensures fair competition, a good emotional intelligence & my courtesy's reputation. It can also boost confidence of the candidates.

d) When whole World is against me:

→ I will try to find out if there is any genuine reason for the same. If there is mistake on my part I'll introspect & correct the same. If I'm good I'll maintain focus & strong attitude + perseverance to reach my goal.

e) I feel it is needed to react immediately as 'To see wrong & not to act is cowardice'. It

requires courage of conviction & better attachment to result. If we turn a blind eye today the same will be

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Hence as Gandhi says :
"Between violence & cowardice I choose violence".



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18. Rithu is a senior journalist who loves to analyse social issues in her weekly article and is well received for her humorous presentation of the issues. Recently a news attracted her attention and also put Rithu into dilemma as the issue also involves her personally. There is a Arts and science college near Rithu's home. The college has a history of nearly 150 years and has a long list successful Alumni including Rithu. Recently the college had a protests by female students asking for extended night time access to library and hostel entry time be till 9 PM from existing 6 PM. They cited that men's hostel didn't have any such restrictions. The college has a history of local people harassing the girl students and the issue is mostly settled by local police citing possible escalation of the issue. The director of the college cited this issue to the protesting students who said it is the duty of the college to ensure safety of its students and they cannot run away from it. After discussing with the academic board the college decided to grant the wishes of the students but wanted parents' permission letter for all students. All the parents gave their permission and the college extended the library and hostel entry time for girl students. Few days later a girl student was harassed by locals and it escalated to a conflict between locals and students. The director absolved himself from any responsibility citing parental permission for late entry into hostel and law and order is not his duty. The student community where distraught hearing the director's reply. Rithu wanted to write an article highlighting the above issue.

- (a) Analysing the case ,bring out the issues that Rithu should highlight in her article.
- (b) Do you feel the Director was right in 'running away from problem' rather than addressing it?
- (c) What do you understand by bureaucratic inaction? Will you agree with the response of police of not taking action despite repeated offences? (20 Marks)

"The soul of a society lies in its treatment to women & children" — Nelson Mandela

The given case study highlights the attack against women curbing their freedom in the society.

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2) Issues

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- 1) Dignity of Women at state with the ^{involvement} of harassment.
- 2) Violation of 'equality principle' as women have to protest to ensure their right to public property.
- 3) Lack of 'empathy & compassion' among locals in the area leading to Patriarchal attitude + Male Chauvinism.
- 4) Reputation of college at risk as future protests can damage its image.
- 5) Negative attitude of local police in not the lifting the issue from hand i.e. legal action are not taken against locals.
- 6) Poor moral responsibility of college to the incident.

b)

I feel that Director was not right in running away from the issue as "Inaction is Adharma".

(Don't write anything in this area)

→ Instead of blaming parents / students for demanding late night freedom, the Director & college faculty could have arranged for 24x7 surveillance in the area with the help of local police.

→ Right to movement is a fundamental right & gating withdrawing the same is not the need.

→ This attitude of director shows his corruption & violation of ethics of teacher. as "Teacher is the maker of Nation".

→ Failure to take action against locals can lead to issues like "Kolkata Doctor".

Repe incident



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c) Bureaucratic inaction refers to the reluctance of bureaucracy to take action against different offences.

(Don't write anything in this area)

Reasons can be

- Lack of political will
- Politicisation of bureaucracy
- systemic issue like 'Chalta Hai' attitude

I will not agree with the policy not taking action against repeated offences because

- 1) It is the violation of 'duty to people'
 - 2) It can lead to more violence in future like the NIRMALYA case
 - 3) Inaction portrays their lack of accountability & responsibility to the people
 - 4) They should rise above to treat people as an end in itself (Kantian deontology)
- Hence: 'Narasara & Narayana seva'

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19. Railway (track extension) is very significant for introducing new trains like bullet trains thereby augmenting the capacity to carry more passengers and cargo efficiently. The track extension work is facing significant delays primarily due to land acquisition challenges in almost all states especially states with high population density. Recently railway decided to undertake large scale track extension work in (Maharashtra). The advantage for railway in this work was that the land in both sides was already in their hand. But alignment of track is based on the discretion of railway planning board. Land value will diminish based on which side they construct. The railway board decided to go with track extension on the (left side of the track). The people residing on left side started protesting stating more population density was on left side and railway should have decided for the opposite side. The railway in its official statement said that the decision was based on (technical parameters). There was also a rumour going that the decision was based on (personal interest of one railway board member whose extended family house was in the area). The rumour has affected the resolution of the matter at earliest. You happen to be the Divisional Railway Manager and the railway board has asked you to (resolve the crisis) at the earliest and complete the (track extension).

(Don't write anything in this area)

- (a) Analysing the case bring out the issues in the case.
 - (b) What are the options available to you?
 - (c) Critically evaluate each of these options and choose the option, you would adopt?
 - (d) How can the morale of the public servants be maintained in such instances of rumour mongering.
- (20 Marks)

According to Article 21, Right to shelter is a fundamental right. The given case study is the violation of the same for personal interests of the railway board member.

Railway board member + family

Stakeholder

Reputation of Railway board

Passengers

People on the edge of displacement

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Q) Issues

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- 1) Conflict of interest — of ~~the~~ board member's family vs people's Right
- 2) Violation of environmental ethics as expansion lead to more damage
- 3) Reputation of railways at stake & impartiality of the
- 4) Professional integrity of the board member is compromised for his selfish needs.
- 5) Violation of Utilitarian principle as it leads to more displacement.
- 6) Right to shelter of the people violated

b & c options + evaluation

- 1) Proceed with the decision of Railways board



Merits → ① Departmental relations are not affected
→ ② speedy execution of procedure

Demerits → ① Violates neutrality & impartiality
→ ② wt. of people affected

(Don't write anything in this area)

→ Listening to people's call for right-
ful expansion

Merits → ① Upholds neutrality
→ ② 'Utilitarianism' promoted

Demerits → ① Can upset relation with
biased members.

3) Belated approach through consensus
with family of biased member

→ The given option will be selected
→ I will try to have conversation
with the concerned biased member
& his family & try to make them
understand the situation

→ On receiving their support, I'll



- authorise for right side compensation
- Compensation & rehabilitation will be provided for the families
 - This upholds values like impartiality, dedication to duty & trustworthiness.

(Don't write anything in this area)

- It is also in accordance with 'middle path' of Buddha

Q) How can Moral be maintained?

- A better foundation is the primary key — the training programmes like Mission Karmayogi
 - Conscience should be the guide of decision making
 - Learning from leaders like TN Sesan, Ashok Khemka to maintain impartiality
 - Legal provisions & media trial can make them accountable
eg AIS Conduct Rules
- As Sandeep Vallabha Patel said, Civil

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