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Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 250

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Q. No.	Max. Marks	Marks Obtained		
1			<p>1. Do furnish the appropriate details in the answer sheet (viz. Name, Email, Roll No, Mobile).</p> <p>2. There are TWENTY questions printed in ENGLISH.</p> <p>3. All questions are compulsory.</p> <p>4. The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.</p> <p>5. Answers must be written in the medium authorized in the admission Certificate, which must be stated clearly on the cover of this Question-Cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided.</p> <p>6. Word limit in questions, if specified, should be adhered to.</p> <p>7. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-Cum Answer Booklet must be clearly Struck off.</p>	
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Q.1) "The recent judgement of the Supreme Court on Section 377 of IPC presented a new vision of equality that is truer and more faithful to the Constitution's transformative character." Comment. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

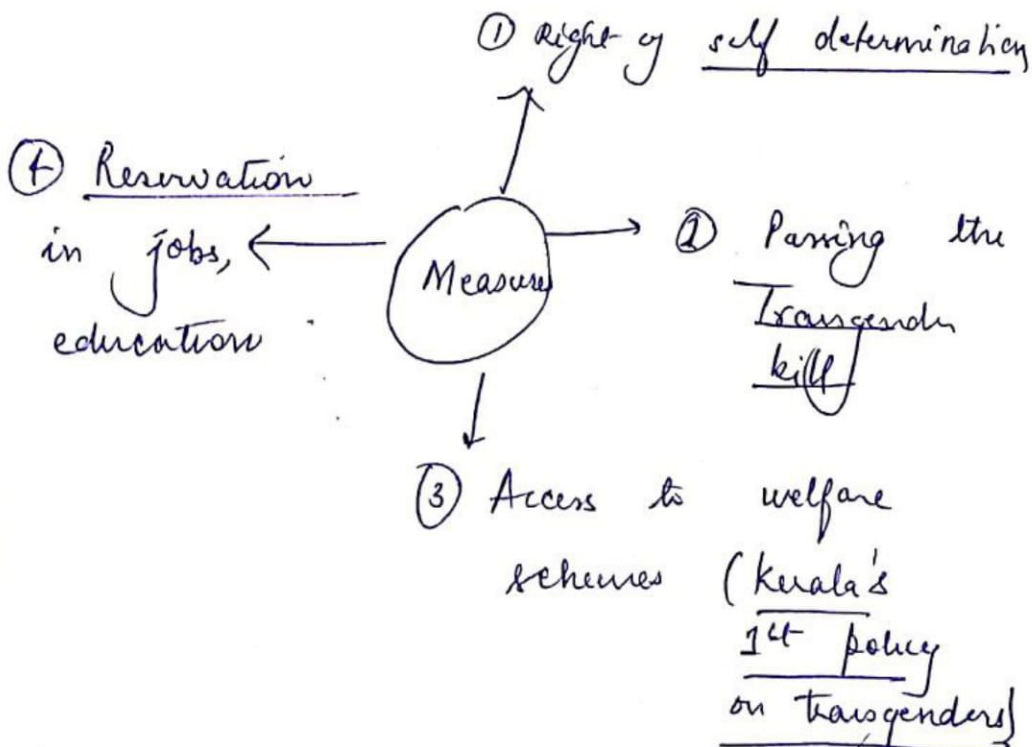
Supreme court's recent judgement in Naveen Singh Johar Case decriminalised Homosexuality (S 377 of IPC).

This judgement reflects equality

- ① Article 14 upheld - In Nalwa case, Transgender was recognised as 3rd gender, hence must be treated Equally
- ② Article 19 - Freedom to express their identity
- ③ Article 21 - Right to live with dignity and choice of sexual orientation upheld (K. S. Puttaswamy case)
- ④ Reflects Constitution's transformative character - Overturning the

Purush Kumar Kaushal judgement,
new meaning to equal rights was imparted

Way ahead: The rights of transgender must be boosted by



By ensuring equal status of transgender, the SC helped in revolving the constitutional ideals

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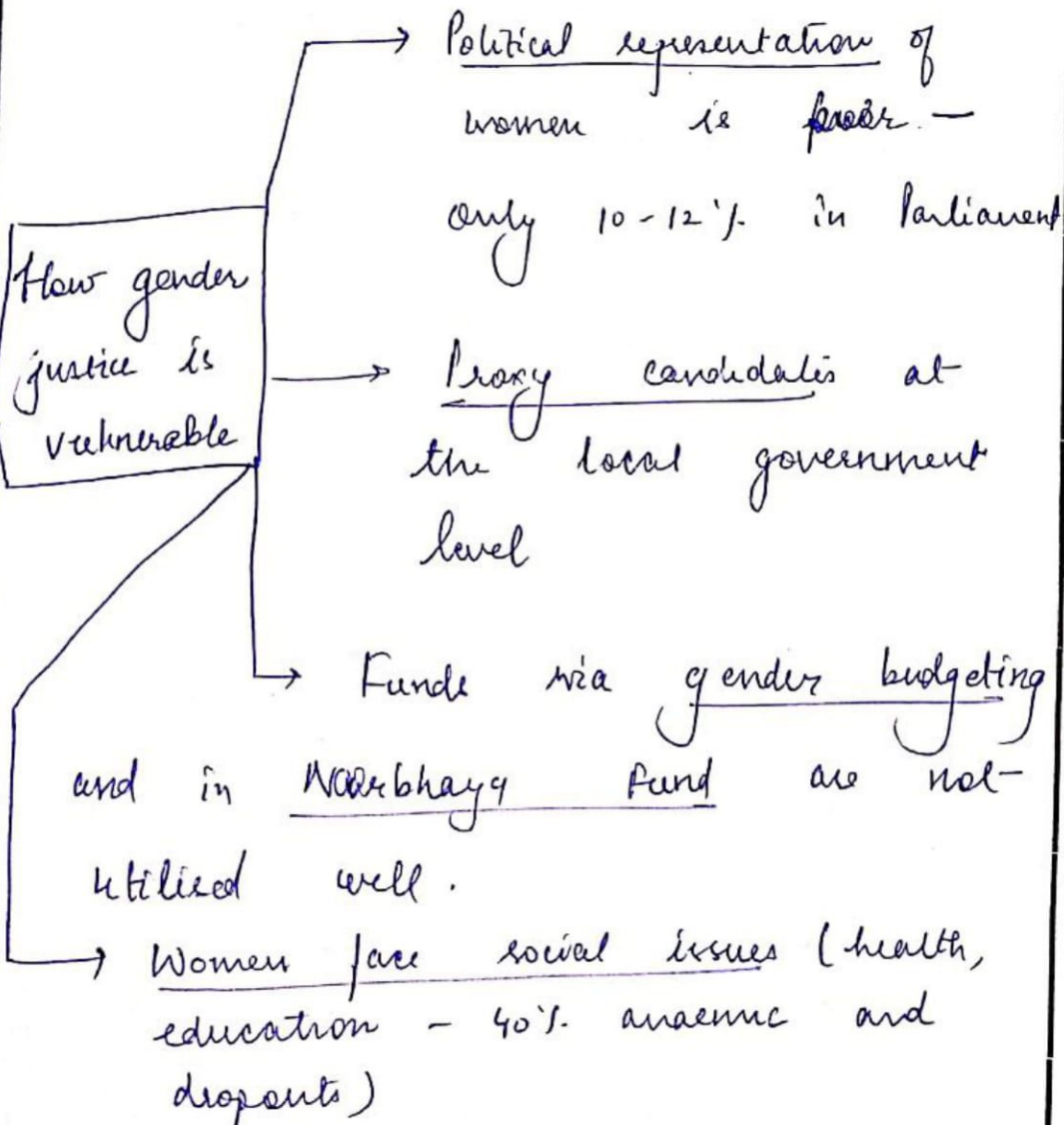
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Q.2) "Gender justice, as a value, seems to have become vulnerable to pragmatic politics." In light of the recent controversy, critically evaluate the statement.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Sustainable development goal 5 calls for gender equality but India ranks 131 on the Gender Equality Index (2018).



How to ensure gender justice

- Socially empowers
 - Poshan Abhiyaan
 - Sawa Shiksha, Udan, Krishi Shree Krakalpa
- Politically mobilise
 - Women reservation bill
 - Training at local government level
- Economically autonomy :
 - Mudra, Standup India, formal credit
 - promote SHGs (Dhaa, Sewa, Saras)
- Changing mindset - : Badlaw, Bete Bachao, Bete Padhao.

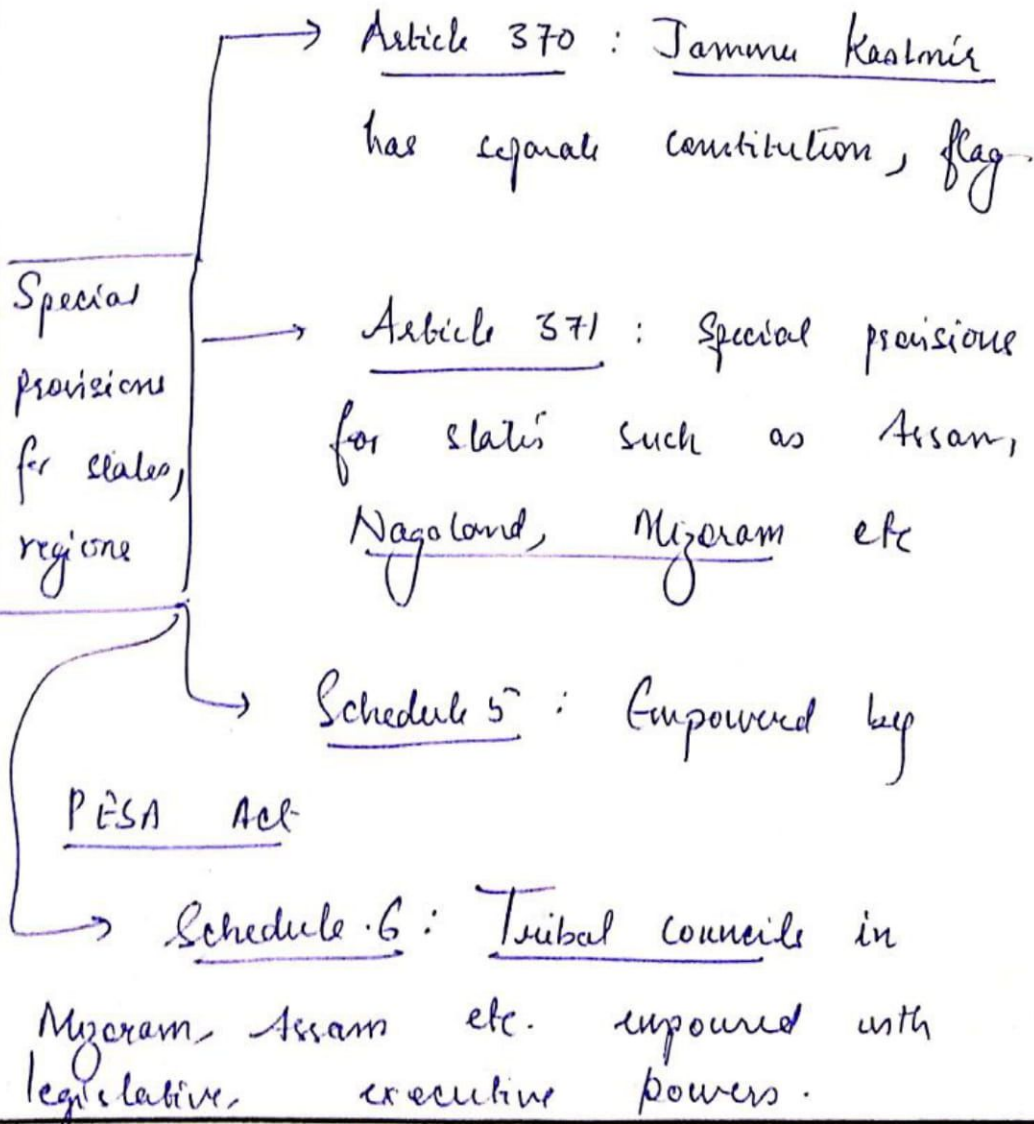
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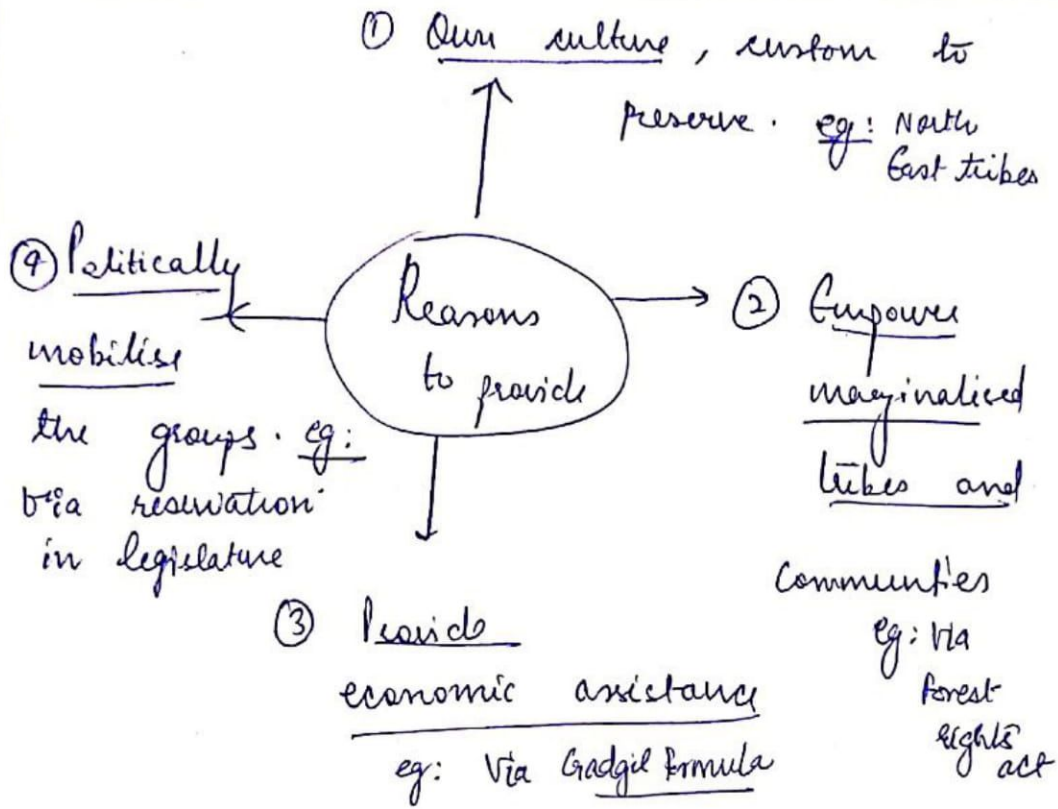
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Q.3) Special provisions given to various states and region in our constitution signifies the principle of federalism which is unique to India, Discuss.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

The Indian concept of federalism is asymmetrical and irregular with some states, regions being given special provisions.





Way ahead : according to the Sarkaria and Punchhi Commission, strong centre is necessary but the uniqueness of states must also be protected via financial, political and social devolution.

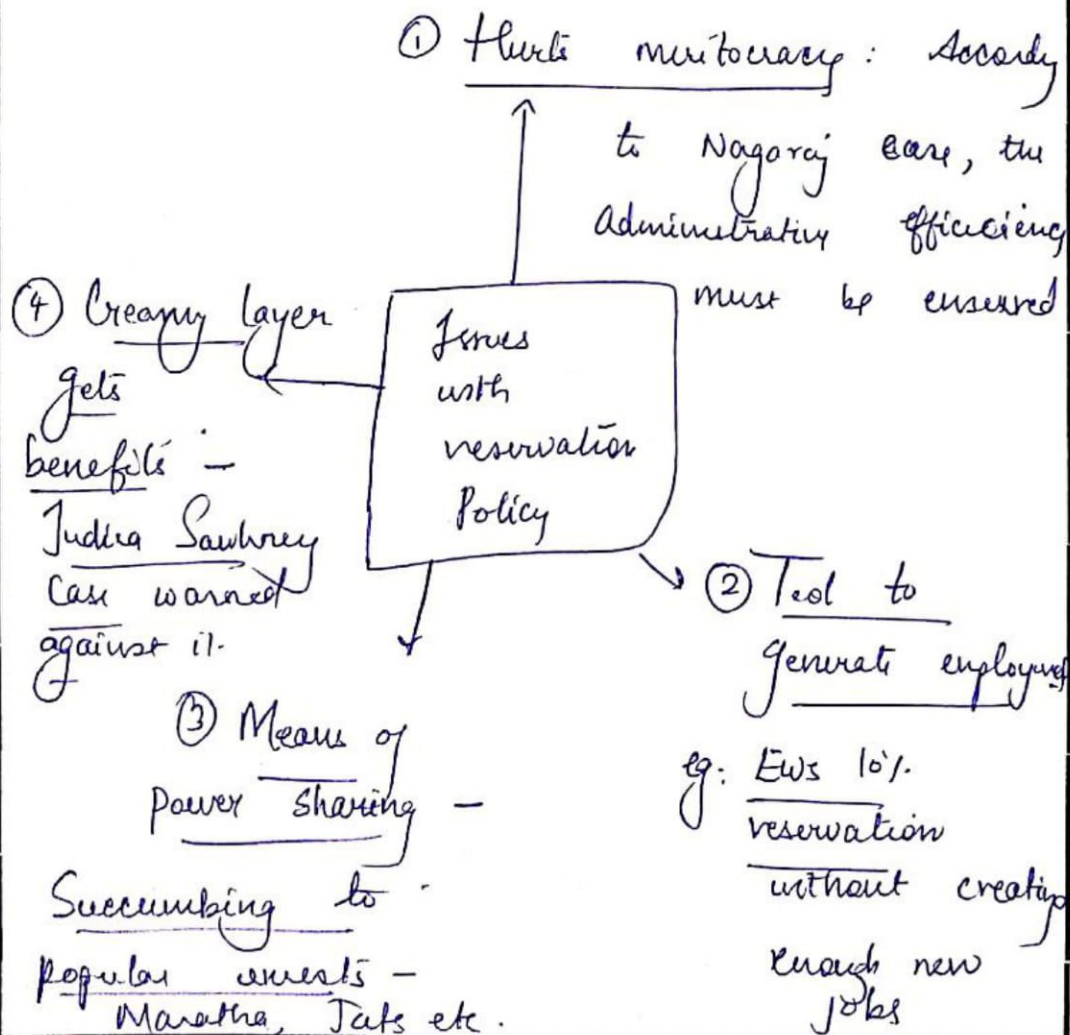
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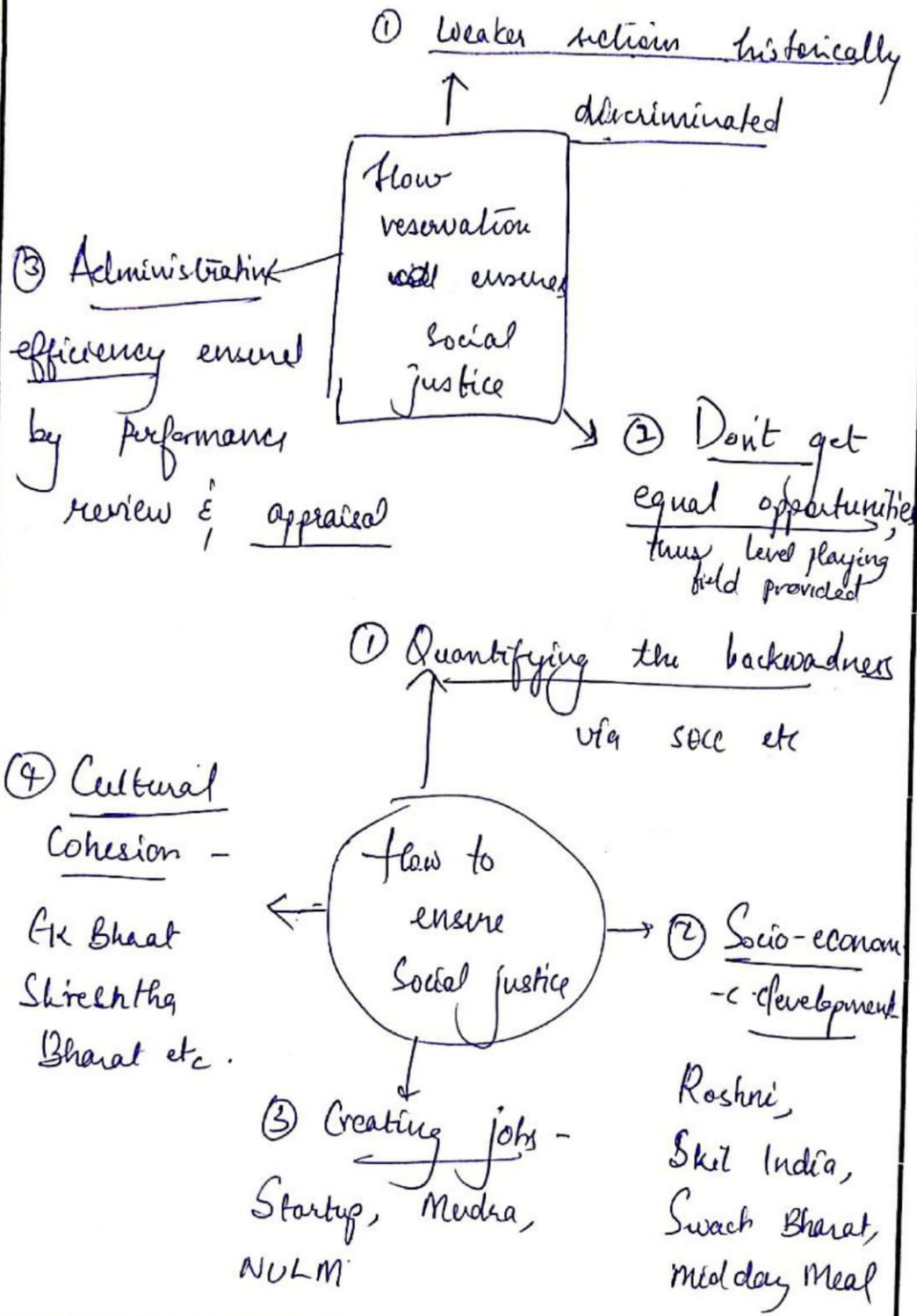
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Q.4) Reservations has become a mere tool for employment generation and power-sharing rather than a means of social justice as envisaged in the Constitution. Discuss with reference to reservation policy in India. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

According to article 46 of the Constitution, government must ensure social uplift of weaker sections such as SC, ST. Reservation Policy is a method for the same.





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Q.5) Do you agree that exposure to media especially social media has affected voting behaviour and political preferences in India? (10 Marks, 150 Words)

The elections of India are undergoing changes and social media is increasingly playing a role in it.

How Social Media affects voting behaviour and political preferences - Positives

- ① Awareness on rights has increased due to debates on Twitter, Facebook
- ② Political parties campaign via social media handles
- ③ Election Commission has increased voter participation via C-Vigil.
- ④ Social issues (health) and economic issues (jobs) are also discussed

Challenges posed by social media
in voting and preferences

- Data mining to profile voters -
example: Cambridge analytica
- Radicalization of youths and
polarization via hate speeches
- Spread of fake news and mob
lynching

Need to regulate social media.

- Draft IT rules by government
- Experts and R&D team of Election
commission must be instituted
- Code of ethics on social media
- TK Vishwanathan Committee recommendation
on hate speech.

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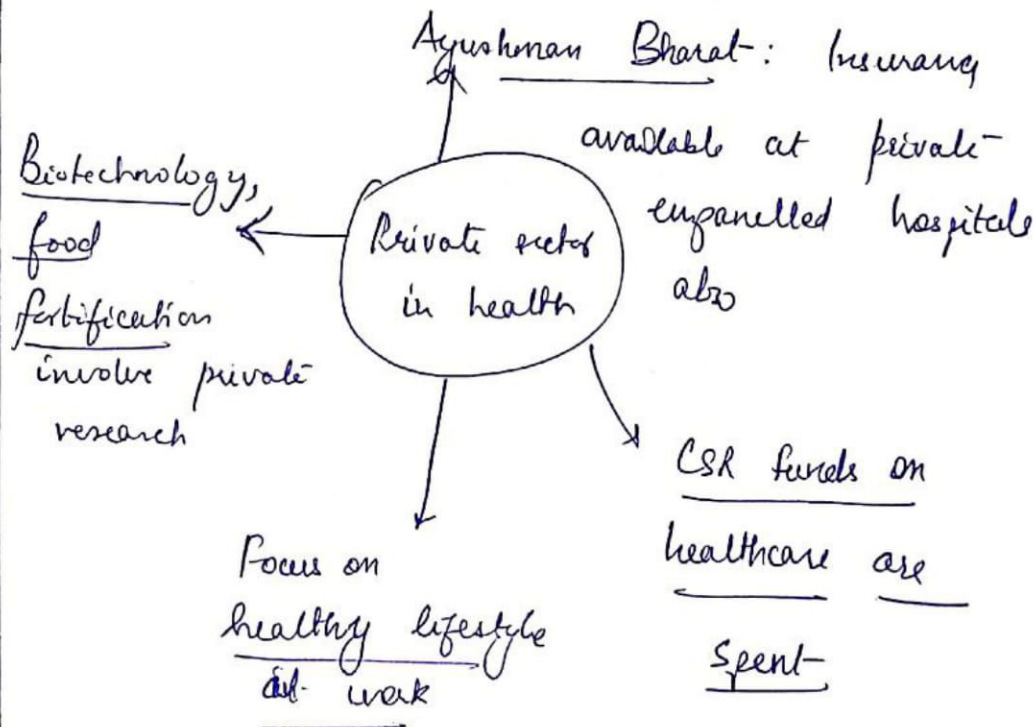
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Q.6) A special emphasis has been given to the (private sector) in the major health programs in India. Examine the (role of the private sector) in achieving the goal of a healthy India. What are the steps taken by the government in this regard?

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

SDG 2 and 3 aim for elimination of hunger and healthy life for all. For health programs in India, the private sector is also participating.



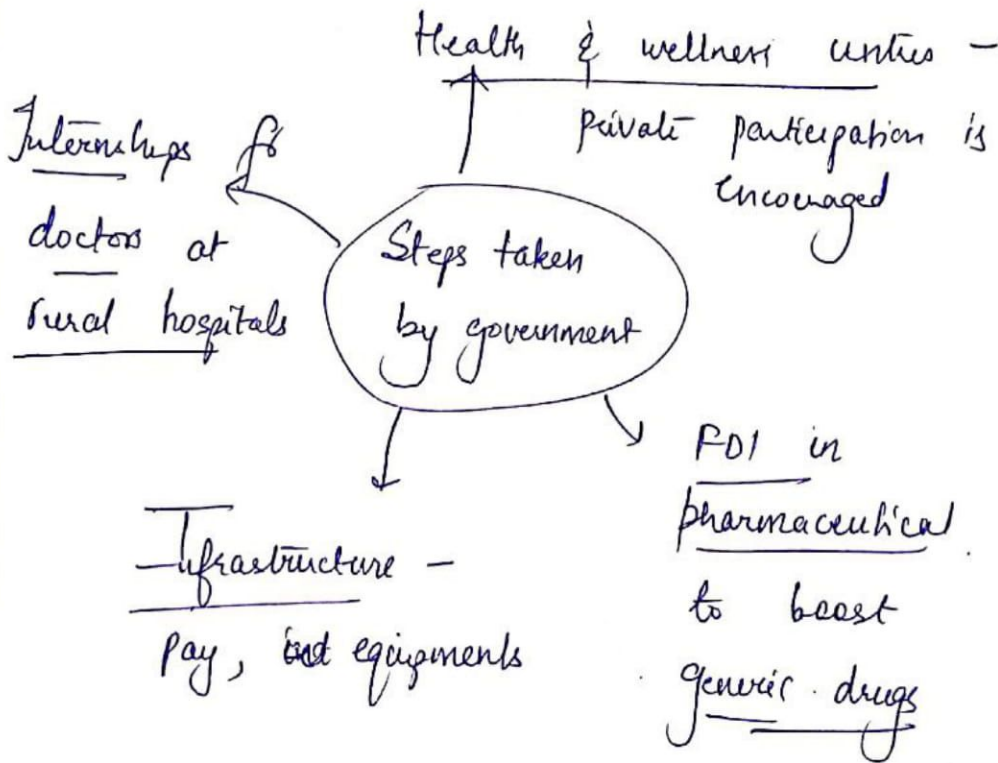
Role of private sector in healthcare of India

- ① Providing funds - to expand outreach of healthcare.
- ② Training the personnel such as

doctors, mid level healthcare providers

③ Collaboration with government agencies

④ Producing vaccines and medicines
eg: Mosquirix vaccine for Malaria by Glaxo Smith Kline



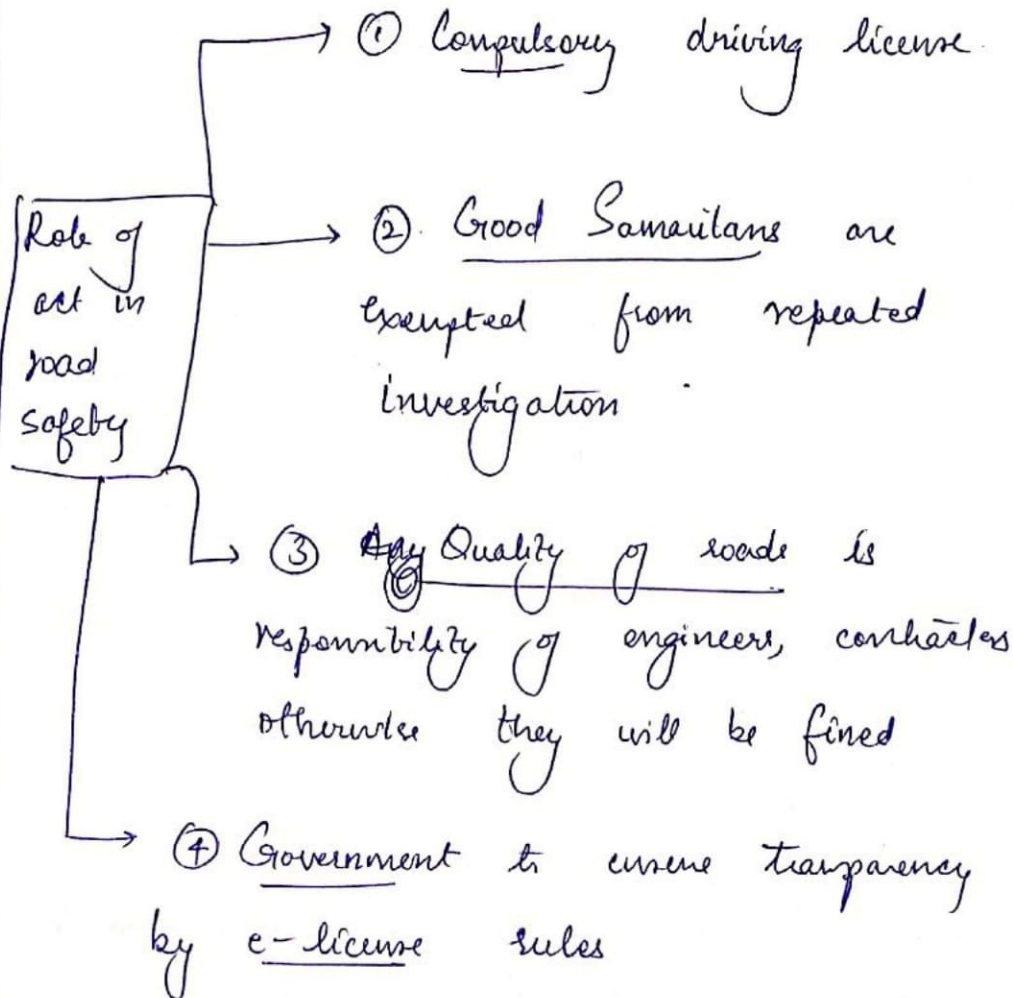
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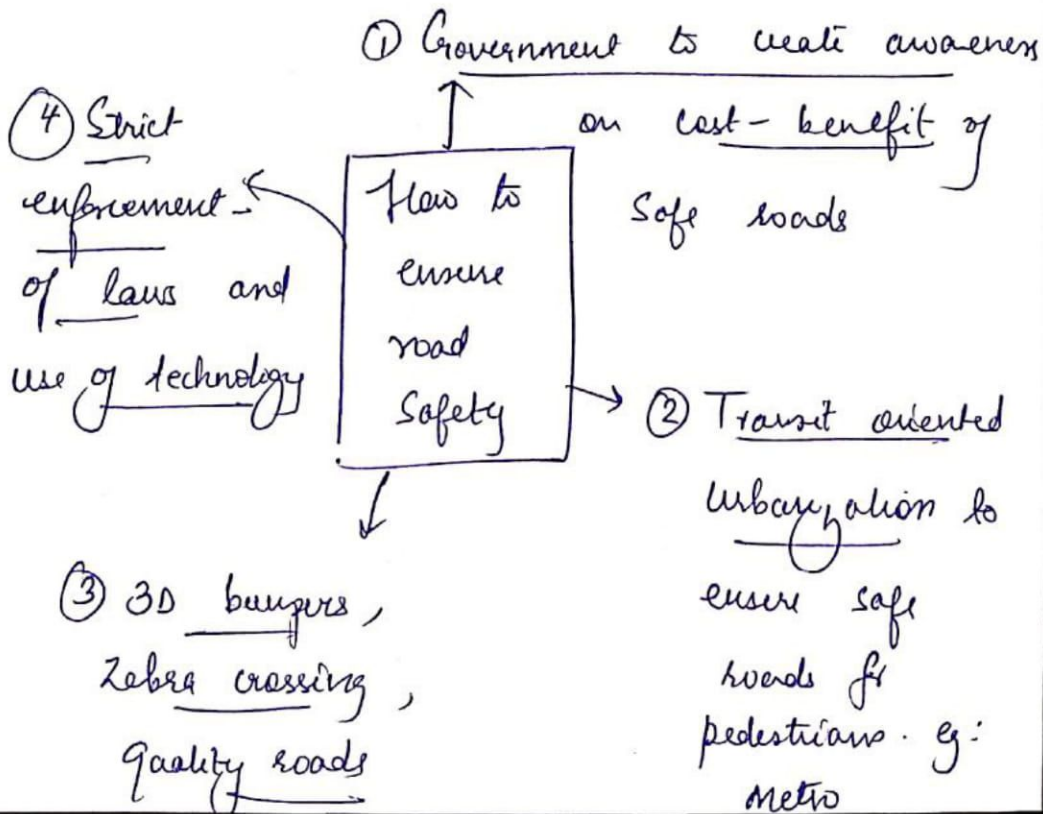
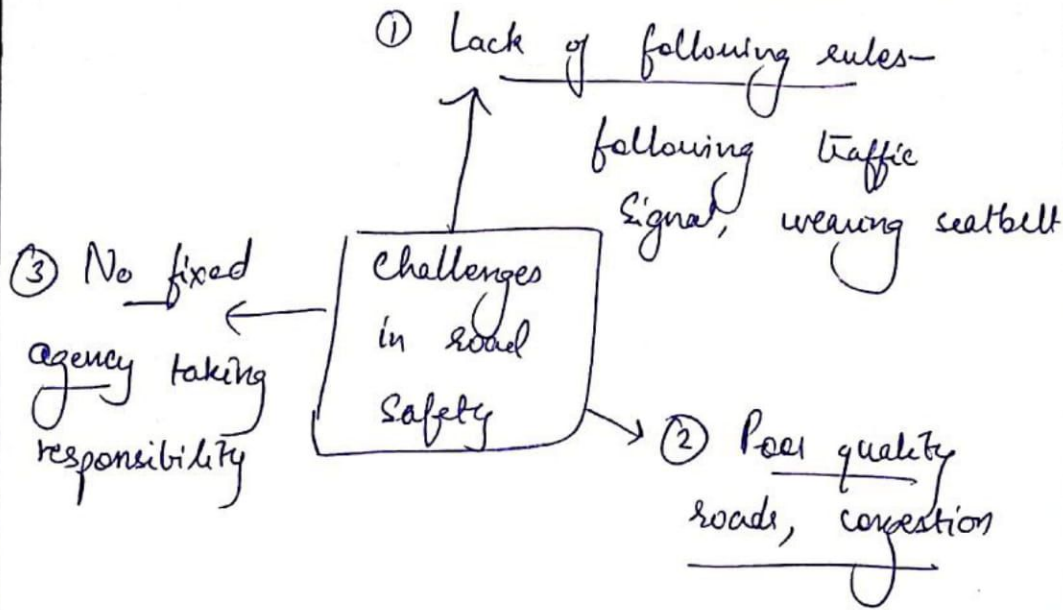
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Q.7) The recently amended the Motor Vehicle Act prioritises road safety by fixing accountability for not just an individual driving the vehicle but all the stakeholders involved in road safety. Comment. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Road accidents cause nearly 1.5 lakh deaths annually in India. To avert it, the Motor Vehicles Act was passed.





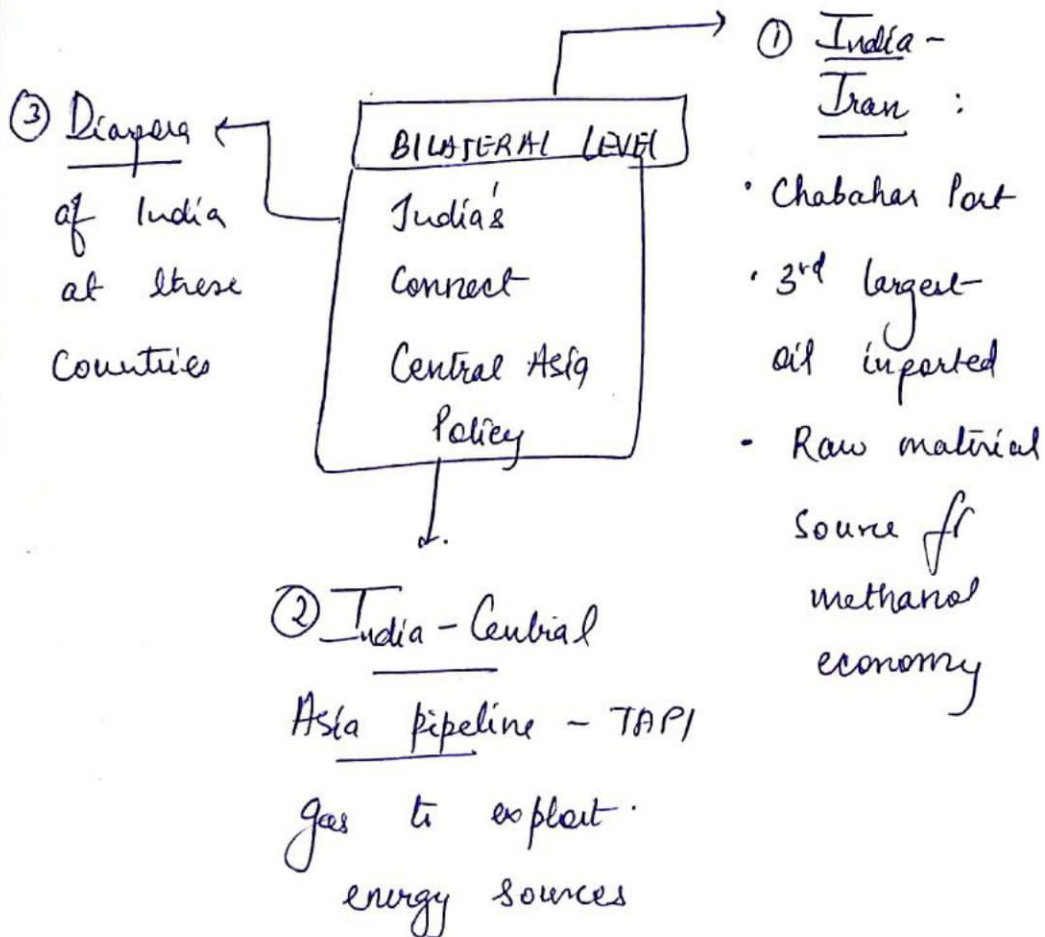
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Q.8) India's need for energy security and connectivity to Eurasia, requires India's engagement in the Central Asia region not only at the bilateral level but also at a collective level. Analyse. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

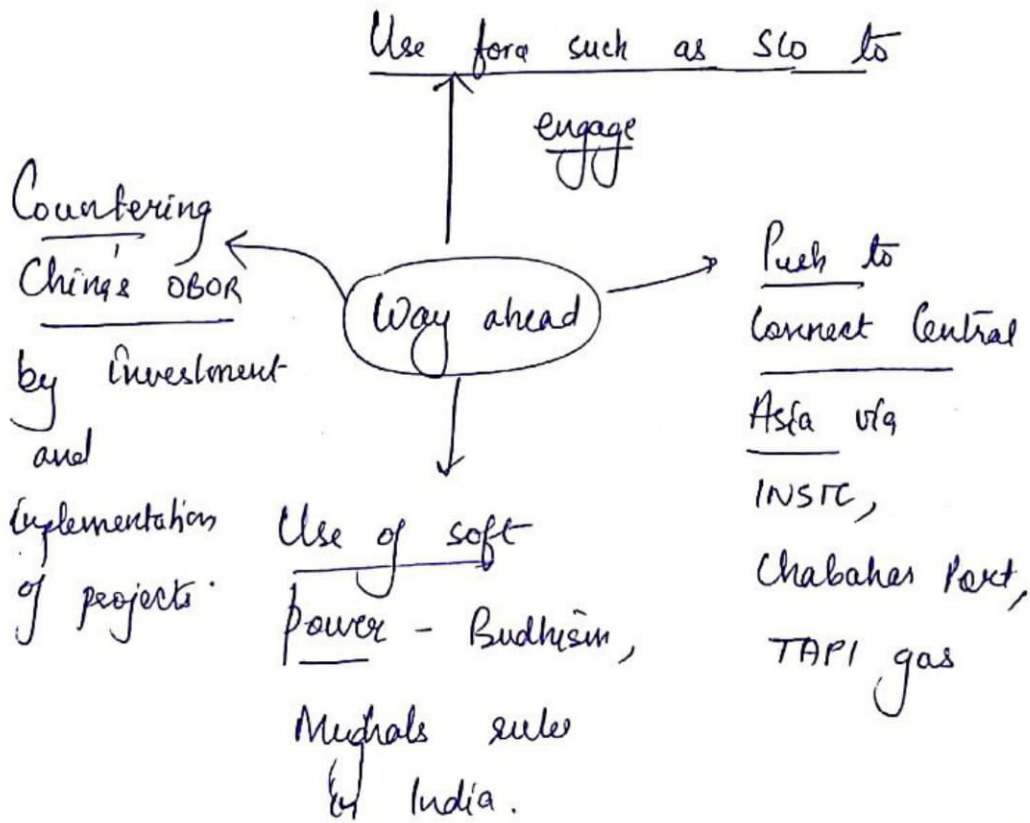
India is the 3rd largest economy (PPP) and accounts for 18% population. Energy needs are immense and Eurasia is important for this.



Connecting at the group level

- Vast resources of oil and natural gas
- India already deliberating at the SCO level

International - North South Transport Corridor also provides connectivity



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Q.9) Shanghai Cooperation Organisation with China and Russia as dominant powers have different views on defining terrorism, views about India - Pakistan bilateral issue and engagement with western countries. In this context, discuss how India can use SCO as an effective platform to address her needs.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Shanghai Cooperation Organisation
 is a Eurasian organization formed in 1996 with Central Asia, Russia and China,
 Recently India and Pakistan became its members.

Views of
SCO

→ Terrorism: can be tackled by
 Confidence building measures,
 RATS platform

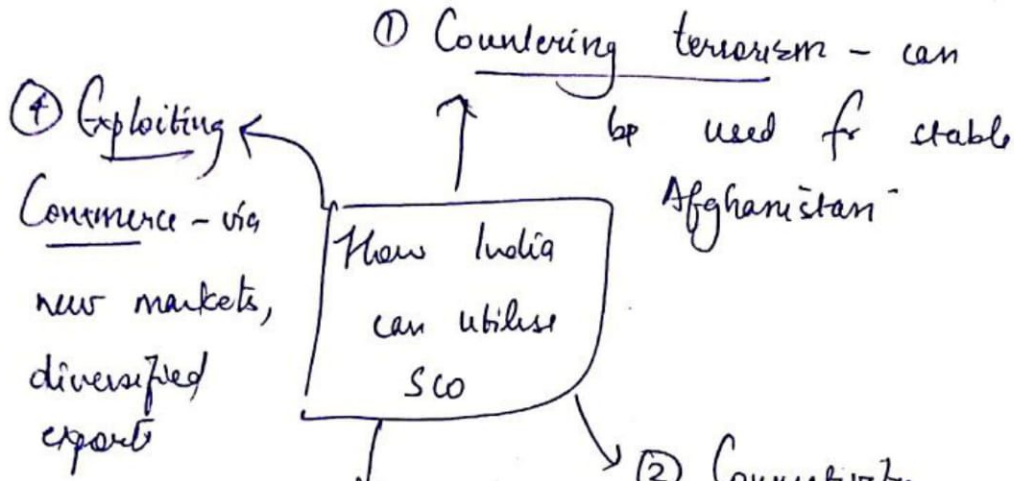
→ India - Pakistan bilateral issues:

- Both must engage in dialogue diplomacy
- Expansion of commerce, connectivity
- ~~India~~ Consultation to resolve Kashmir issue, etc

→ Engagement with Western Countries:

- Believe in non interference
- Extra regional players must

not support terrorism.



③ Build relations

- With China - OBOR, close contentious
- Pakistan - resolve mutual distrust
- Russia - long term friendship. can be restored

② Connectivity to Central Asia

for energy security : eg: TAPI Pipeline, Chabahar

Hence India must use SCO to push its look west and Connect-Central Asia policy

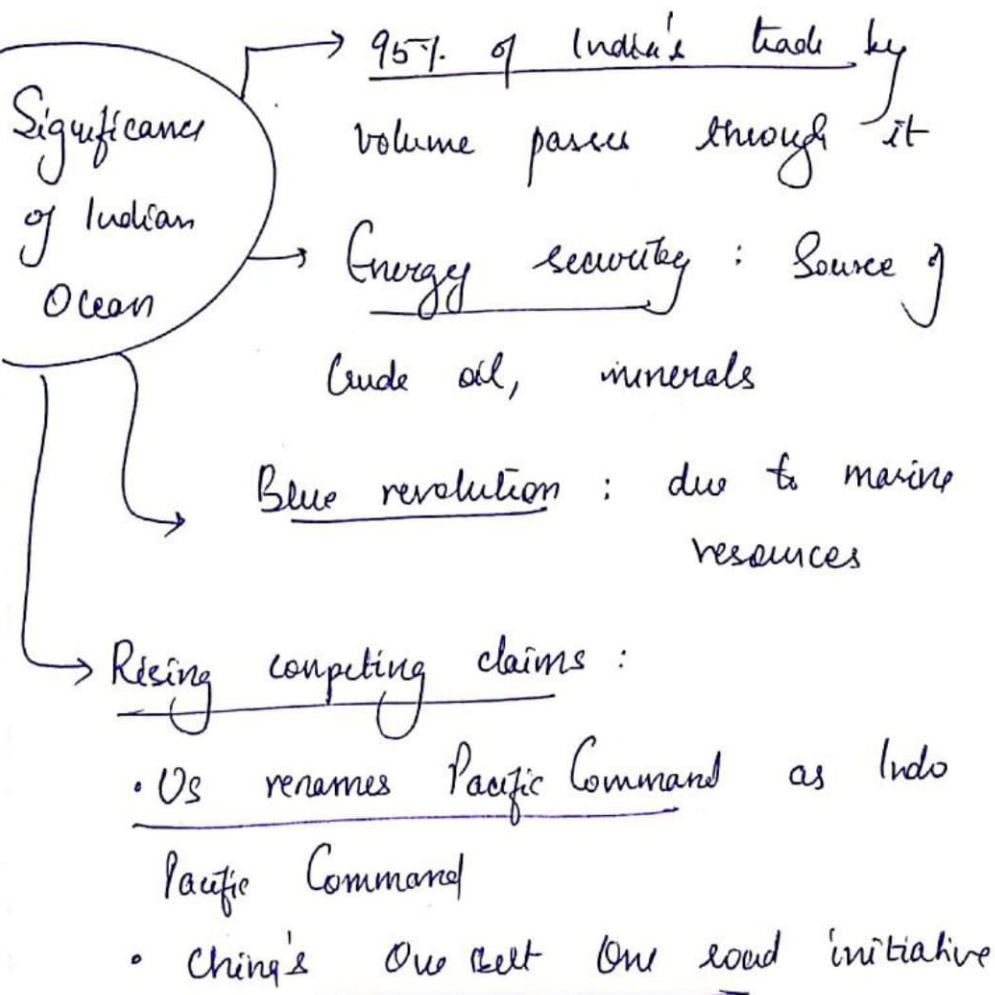
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Q.10) India's role as 'Net Security Provider' in the Indian Ocean region to be effective requires a productive multilateral forum. Evaluate. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

De-globalisation and rise of multipolar order is increasing the importance of Indian Ocean region and India's role in it



Why India can become a net security provider