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Q. No.	Max. Marks	Marks Obtained	<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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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS



Q.1) The strategies, ideologies, approaches of Dalit movement varied from leader to leader, place to place and time to time. Discuss

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

The word 'Dalit' is used to denote the collectivity of the Scheduled castes or untouchables. 'Dalit' is not a word, it is an identity. Untouchables come together under the banner of Dalit and assert their voices collectively in the form of Dalit movement.

Dalits are not confined to a particular region of the country. They are distributed throughout the country. Their conditions also change from time to time, though in totality they are still a suppressed and vulnerable section of society.

Initially Dalits were not much educated. They were not allowed to enter temples. So at this stage the leader worked for their social and economic upliftment with a view to

make them educated and well-aware.
For example - Dr. B.R. Ambedkar fought for the basic rights of Dalits, and tried to provide them protection through Constitution. Provisions for reservations in jobs (government) and political representations were made. This enhanced their condition to a great extent.

Now, the Dalits are trying to bring this inclusivity to their other members. All Dalits are not at the same level. So efforts are still in progress to help the lower strata of Dalits who are raising voice against the affluent Dalits. Thus the ideology is different among different sections of Dalits too.

Thus we can say that Dalit movement gets changed with change in its elements.

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Q.2) Despite paying attention to urbanization and its challenges, Indian cities continue to suffer from unchecked urban expansion and population growth. Analyse.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Urbanisation is a process by which certain areas attain high standard of living with growth and development of industries.

With urbanisation, come a lot of challenges like :-

1) nonavailability of basic amenities for the residents ex. piped drinking water, proper sewage, electricity, etc.

2) rapid urban expansion causes detrimental effect on environment

3) congestion in traffic in the cities

4) increase in crimes due to non-availability of jobs

5) increased burden on the government and its institutions, etc.

However steps have been taken to address these challenges but despite that

Indian cities continue to suffer from unchecked urban expansion and population growth because of the following reasons:-

- 1) Rural distress and migration → Due to the stagnation of agriculture and non-availability of non-farm jobs in rural areas, people migrate from rural to urban areas.
- 2) Concentration of industries in urban areas require labour force.
- 3) Availability of electricity, warehouses, better transportation, etc. in urban areas.
- 4) Availability of markets or consumers.
- 5) Poor policy designing of the government relating to the location of industries.

In order to tackle these challenges, the government should formulate policies after concerning all the stakeholders.

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Q.3) "Terracotta figurines and seals throw light on the religious practices followed by the Harappan people". Discuss.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

The Harappan people were very much interested in art works like making terracotta figurines, seals, beads, sculpture, etc.

Terracotta figurines

Though there is not much evidence about the religious practices followed by the Harappans, but some of the excavated materials illustrate that they used to worship female god.

Many female terracotta figurines can be found. Also the images of some animals are also inscribed in terracotta.

Seals

Seals were the most important artistic works of Harappans. Pashupati Seal

is the most important seal. It describes the image of a person like lord Shiva with the images of ~~other~~ animals like bull, elephant, etc. Similar such seals were found in numerous number which indicates the religiosity of the Harappans.

Apart from terracotta figurines and seals, fire-altars, The Great Bath, etc. also illustrate that the Harappans used to follow some religious practices.

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Q.4) Discuss the various mechanisms causing changes in sea level and its impacts on coastal areas.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

The various mechanisms causing changes in sea level are as follow :

- 1) Global warming → due to it, ice-cap in polar areas melt and increase sea level.
- 2) Tsunami → due to earthquake inside the sea, tsunami waves are created.
- 3) The gravitational pull of the moon and the earth sun.
- 4) Run-off water from rivers causes rise in sea-level in the adjoining areas.
- 5) Cyclonic rains
- 6) Deposition of plastic-wastes inside the seas/oceans
- 7) Torrential rains

The impact of rise in sea-level has the following impact on coastal areas:

- 1) Low-lying coastal areas will be submerged.
- 2) Loss of lives and vegetation.
- 3) Water will penetrate into the houses of people, thereby gradually making the area uninhabitable.
- 4) The cropping pattern will be disturbed.
- 5) Diseases will develop.

Thus, proper steps should be taken to prevent the rise in sea-level.

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Q.5) Give a reasoned account on the recent trends of labour force participation rate of women in India.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Labour force participation rate is defined as :

$$\left[\frac{\text{(Number of employed persons)} + \text{(No. Number of unemployed persons)}}{\text{Total working force (People in the age group of 18-60 years)}} \right]$$

Labour force participation rate (LFPR) of women in India can be analysed as follows:

(1) Overall, LFPR of women (both rural and urban) has decreased over time.

(2) LFPR of rural women has increased slightly because of following reasons:

(i) Involvement of women in agricultural and other non-farm activities ^{has increased} as men move to cities for better job prospects.

(ii) Increased education has also provided opportunity to rural women to work in formal jobs, Self-Help Groups, etc.

(3) However, LFPR for urban women has declined, because of following reasons:

- (i) Due to higher family incomes, women are prohibited from doing jobs.
- (ii) Jobs are mostly available in informal jobs paying very less salary to women.
- (iii) Lack of safety and security for the working women.

Therefore in order to prevent this gender gap, steps must be taken by the government as early as possible. It will also increase country's GDP.

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Q.6) Contemporary communalism is more than a conflict between two or more religious communities. Explain the statement in Indian context.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Communalism is a practice which lays down the fact that the religious interests of one ^{community} ~~country~~ are not only different from those of others but are also conflicting in nature.

Communalism leads to hatred and violence among communal people. In India, it can be observed easily in case of Hindus and Muslims.

Though these conflicting values have been in existence for a long time, but they did not result in much violence as in contemporary times.

At present, fake news and mobocracy are propelling the feeling of religious communism. Fake news are circulated fastly ~~as~~ through social media and people believe them

because of their affiliation towards religion. Sometimes a mob is taking the law in its hand resulting in violence and the loss of faith in humanism.

Also presently the political parties are taking the route of communism to achieve power. The political parties are using religion again and again, and invite the majoritarian against the minorities to gather their support and votes.

So contemporary communalism has become a means to achieve the quest of political power.

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**Q.7) Was Lenin's New Economic Policy (1921) against the principles of Marxism?
Explain the consequences of adopting it.**

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

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Q.8) What is Hyperspectral Imaging Satellite (HysIS)? How will it help in advancing earth observation?

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Hyperspectral Imaging Satellite (HysIS) is an earth-observation satellite which will work in near-Infra red and visible-IR wavelengths.

There are several applications of HysIS:

- 1) weather forecasting
- 2) location of resources
- 3) DTH V-SAT applications
- 4) cartography

HysIS is placed in a polar orbit in Low Earth Orbit (LEO). This makes it able to make several rounds of earth in a day.

Since the HysIS uses near-IR and visible-IR wavelengths, so the

clarity will be more in the picture captured.
This will help in better analysis of the
earth.

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Q.9) If ageing is to be a positive experience, longer life must be accompanied by continuing opportunities for health, participation and security. Discuss in the light of recent government initiatives.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

An elder person has already passed through many stages of life like childhood, adult, and oldage, and thus have enormous experiences. These experiences should be harnessed in a proper manner to have a positive experience.

Elder persons require continuing opportunities for health, participation and security. Some of the recent government initiatives are as follow :-

(1) Health

(2) Ayushman Bharat → to provide free primary, secondary and tertiary health care.

(ii) Policy has been made with respect to their healthcare and maintenance.

(2) Participation

(i) There are government schemes where elder people can participate and give their valuable suggestions.

(ii) Example → Self Help Groups; Several discussion forums, etc.

(iii) Several retired officials are employed in decision-making jobs, ex. DMRC (Delhi Metro Rail Corporation).

(3) Security

(i) Shelter homes have been opened to rehabilitate them.

(ii) Special ^{helpline} ~~call~~ numbers to police in times of distress.

Elders are a part of our society. So they should be respected and treated as an integral part of our society.

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