

1. Unknown, Ifos interview

Manoj soni board

CM- about bhojpuri, y quit job, IIT conversion

M1- what do you do to improve extension service in forest? How would you communicate to people? What action do you take to make an impact on first instance?

M2- differentiate chemistry and applied chemistry? Role of chemistry in forest produce management?

M3- biodiversity, tribals, diversity

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Manoj Soni sir

Chairperson:

What's d diff between Management and administration

What is development

Have u faced corruption

Who is responsible for it

Is there a corruption in Rto

Lady M1:

Trees in Maharashtra

Tribes

Whats special about parshu tribe

M2:

Why u took hindi in 12th

Whats d geographical reason for drought in Maharashtra

M3:

How is pollution measured bt rto

How will u reduce it as rto

How will u manage forest as forester

How will u use development administration in forests

3. Name- Kendre Narsing Manikrao

Interview- IFoS

Board- Dr Manoj Soni sir

Date-08/02/2018

Total time- 25 min

Chairperson-

What is Parli-vajnath, is it town or village or city?

Is it named after any personality?

Why you left the job?

So can I consider that civil services is your priority?

Explain in brief the whole process of paper manufacturing? Have you seen yourself?

Tell me ten names of trees commonly found in India?

M1(lady member)-

You are specialist in mechanical engg?

How would you use your knowledge?

Explain to me how would you use that processing industry,with example?

How to reach to tribals to ensure their participation?

What are the challenges in tribal development? Should all IFS officer learn all the tribal languages?

M2

What is annual Raw material requirement of your industry?

Have your company taken any initiative to increase Raw material supply?

But there is criticism that these industries give low price to the farmers?

As IFS officer what would you do to ensure farmers get better price for their produce?

Is there any govt regulation to control the prices offerd by these industries?

What is PESA? What sectors have been deregulated?

M3

You cook vegetarian ,is it only because you eat only veg or something else?

(Some light moments)

In what dishes you are good at?

Have you offered these to your mother,sister? What was response?out of love and care???

(Again Light moments)

Latur is recent district, earlier it was part of which district?

Any improvement since then?

Do you mean these developments occurred due to it was made a district?(interrupted in my ans and started a question)

Latur is in news due some notorious reasons, what are they?

If a sudden earthquake in your division then what would you do? Do you think apart from Police and Revenue administration the Forest need to be concerned ?

4. Name : Karthikeyani.K

26.02.2018

Board : Manoj soni

Time :30 mins

Opt and graduation – Agriculture

Chairperson : Are u practising yoga regularly (hobby)

When is yoga day?

Why that day?

M.S Swaminathan committee three recommendation??

M1 :

What is the cost of production in MSP controversy??

Reason for farmers suicide??

How to tackle it??

Where are the ground water depletion zones in India??

How to tackle it as a Agri secretary??

M2:

Cauvery verdict what do u think??

Are u happy with the verdict??

Are both states happy??

Will there be crisis among people as like during tribunal verdict??

M3:

NCC - which wing??

Is it voluntary??

What did u learn from NCC??

Why large textile industry shutting down in Tirupur(place of birth)..What is the reason and solution???

As like cape Town which part of India will face water crisis???

M3: How can we change Agri UG syllabus to include skills to the students???

How will u save standing crop suffering from drought??

M4: E governance how will u implement in ur office(case study) as employee may oppose???

(Follow up questions)

Chairperson:

Have u read thiruvalluvar works???(random question)

Say any two thirukural and meaning???

What do u think is major challenge before India??

How can we tackle it (poverty)with thiruvalluvar words???

What do u think as ur greatest limitation??

Is there some mythology behind ur name???

Thank you.

5. Name Karthik

Job Income Tax Officer

Grad Electronics Engineering

Hobby : Watching Interviews of famous personalities, Participating in temple activities

Chairperson Dr Manoj Soni

Many questions were from present profession. Not posting the purely personal questions based on profession.

Chair:

If you were to describe your native district how would you do it?

Describe your job.

What is bitcoin? Is it regulated? Is it recognised by RBI? Why not? Is trading in bitcoin legal? What about taxability of proceeds of bitcoin trade?

M1:

Which interview did you watch last?

What was it about?

Replied Kamal hassan's interview about his entry into politics

Will he be successful in politics? Why so?

What is your opinion on Triple Talaq?

M2:

What is cashless economy?

Benefits for taxation?

How to implement cashless economy?

Is forcing to go for cashless economy the right way?

There is a China Pakistan axis. What is it based on?

What about CPEC? What is its speciality - regarding terrain?

What was Dokhlam issue? Why did China later back out?

What is present issue in Maldives? Did India interfere in the past militarily? Why it is not doing the same now?

M3:

Kerala God's own country - but roads are so narrow. Traffic problems are so high? How to solve?

Right to privacy? Is Aadhar linking to everything right? Is it not affecting the individual's freedom? What about right to expression? Should it be curtailed?

M4

What is Internet of Things? How will it affect employment?

Thankyou.

6. Gondhali satish

mtch iit kharagpur

hobby singing, reading fiction

ifs 2 preference

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ch- what is bharatmala project?

why port connectivity important?

why construction of road infra imp?

wht is golden quadrilateral?explain cultural footprint of India in the world.

m1- wht type of fiction do you read?

wht you liked about it? then discussed about that book

for 3 minutes . you lived in west Bengal what is cultural differences between maha and wb

m2- name some Marathi classical singers?

how's Nepal India relation?

is China playing any role?

what will you do as ifs officer if posted there?

what do you think of Maldives issue?should India interfere?

Maharashtra suicides reasons?

m3- wht type of song do you sing?

man animal conflict?what should be done?how to create awareness among people?

m4- how you will increase transparency in administration?

is NGO playing role in naxalism?

you were placement coordinator in college..percentage of placement?

what should be done to increase placement?

ch- what will you choose google job or civil services be honest?

what is your fallback plans?

thank you your interview is over.

overall very cordial board

7. Name: Perumal Raja

Chairperson: Manoj Soni sir

Optional: Geography

District: Cuddalore

Chairperson:

1. What does the word Perumal refers to? Is it a place's name or your second name?
2. When did you receive the intimation about the interview?
3. What are all the preparations you made for the interview after receiving the call letter?
4. Tell me about the topography of Cuddalore?
5. Do you know about Arab Spring? What is it all about?
6. What is ISIS? What are they trying to achieve?

Member 1:

7. Do you think Himalayas is affected by climate change?
8. What are the effects of glacial retreat? How much glacial retreat has happened?
9. Reasons for glacial melt in Ladakh? What local measures would you take to reduce it if appointed as DM?
10. Do you think historical fiction novels are right? Won't it reduce the genuineness of history? (One of my hobby is Reading Books- fiction)

Member 2:

11. Tell about your final year project?
12. Is there only one Anna University or many others?
13. In the construction of flyovers and bridges, are civil Engineers only involved or mechanical engineers are also involved?

What do mech engineers do here?

14. Role of mechanical engineers in robotics.

Member 3:

15. Rohingya issue- what's it all about? And India's role?
16. Ram Setu- what is it? Is it a real bridge? What's the issue involving Ram Setu?
17. Tamil Nadu fisherman issue- what measures could be taken?

Member 4:

18. What is the government agency involved in disaster relief operations? (I've organised disaster relief operations during Cuddalore floods)
 19. As a DM what measures will you take to address a disaster?
 20. What inspired to undertake disaster relief operations?
 21. Reasons for Chennai floods? Where the fault lies?
 22. What are the areas in Kerala where LWE is making inroads? Do you think they will be successful? Have they tried to make inroads into TN?
 23. Ideologies of LWE?
 24. What is type of mountain ranges in TN? How is it different from Himalayas?
 25. Difference between block mountain and fold mountain?
 26. Where the river Brahmaputra originates?
- What's the issue regarding Brahmaputra between India and China? Does India have any treaty with China regarding Brahmaputra?
27. What is the other nation with which India has a treaty for water sharing? Can India stop giving water to Pakistan? Is India legally bound to give water to Pakistan?

Chairperson:

Thank you.

8. Name : Hassan Usaid N A

Board : Manoj Soni

Optional : geography

Degree : civil engineering

Work experience : planning engineer

Chairperson :

- Which is the last dam you visited?
- Tell me about it in a civil engineers perspective

- Which is the most challenging task an Indian PSU has undertaken? Why do you think so? (I said konkan, don't know right out wrong)
- Have you heard about a tunnel that is constructed in Kashmir recently?

M1

- Is India's realty sector down?
- What all are the reasons? (I spoke about demonetisation, RERA bill, NPAs)
- What will be it's impact on smart cities?
- What all are the provisions of RERA bill?
- What you mean by smart city?

M2 :

- Why Kerala tourism is so famous? (I said, early start, good branding, natural beauty, medical tourism etc...)
- Do you think bullet train is a necessity?
- What you think about triple talaque ban?
- Why it hasn't banned yet, many Islamic countries already did?
- Doubling farmers income, what all govt did?

M3 (lady):

- How house boats causes pollution in back waters?
- How we can prevent it?
- Have you studies about traditional architecture in India?
- Why we need it?
- Do you think concrete buildings are not suitable for India?
- Do you think there should be censorship on trolls? (First I thought about trawling, luckily didn't talked about it)
- What do you think about censorship in movies?

M4 :

- What you mean by precast concrete
- What is benefit of it?
- Which is costly? Precast or in situ construction?
- Why there is left wing extremism in Kerala?

- How you come to know that there is Naxals in your district?
- What is the content of a Naxalite pamphlet?

Chairperson

- Thank you Hassan, your interview is over

(My experience, I was the last person in the morning session. Board was less responsive. No reaction to answers. No smile. Lady member tried to corner me. Chair was observing me throughout the interview. Some questions responded well, but some couldn't. Overall satisfying experience. Difficulty level seemed to be equalent to many of the mocks.)

9. Aditya, Btech Civil Engg

Board- Dr Manoj Soni

Optional- Political Science and International Relations

Chairperson-

Q1- You are 23, so tell me about the challenges Youth face today?

Q2- Difference between Older and Younger generation?

Q3- Was 20th Century good, or 21st Century?

Q4- What do you do in your leisure time?

Q5- Tell me about the historic importance of Gwalior (my hometown)?

M1:

Q1- What are foreign funded NGOs?

Q2- What are Anti Nuclear Energy NGOs?

Q3- Is Nuclear Energy feasible for India's energy security?

Q4- What is Nuclear Waste?

Q5- Should we go for renewable energy or Nuclear energy?

M2:

Q1- What is civil engineer's role in Smart city?

Q2- What are some of the current challenges of Urban development?

Q3- India produces so many engineering graduates, most of them are unemployed. Why?

Q4- What should we do to employ them?

Q5- You are a district collector, if some newspaper writes a defamatory article against you? What would you do?

M3:

Q1- Should delhi be given full statehood?

Q2- What are simultaneous elections? Is it desirable?

Q3- List some electoral reforms we can undertake?

Q4- Is State funding of elections a desirable reform?

M4:

Q1- Why do we call Political Science as Science? What is 'science' in it?

Q2- How are India Iran relations going?

Q3- How are India Pak relations?

Q4- Who are non state actors in Pakistan?

Q5- What is Track 2 diplomacy, and will it work with Pakistan?

Chairperson (again):

Q1- If your junior doesn't obey you, what would you do?

Q2- Should civil servants be terminated from services, if they dont perform well despite repeated warnings?

Interview ends.

10. Shivanand

B. A. Political Science

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Afternoon Sesson

First to be interviewed

Medium of Interview- Marathi

Entered and greeted well, asked to sit.

CM- Shivanand, how would you like to communicate? We have a Translator for you. You can opt for any medium.

Me- Thank you sir. I would try to speak in English for better discussion, but sometimes I may need help of Hindi/Marathi. Would that be fine, sir?

CM- yes, sure. So lets start.

You graduated in Pol Sci in 2012. What kept you going since then?

Me- told about 2 interviews in first 2 attempts. Told about my selection as Asst. BDO through MPSC.

CM- So you are a BDO now?

Me- No sir. Resigned after a month's training to focus upon Civil Service preparation.

CM- surprised.. confirmed if I have resigned or taken any Extension.

OK. You pursued so many activities during these years. (Read out- Worked for sex workers, communal harmony, etc). Tell me about Psephology thing that you did before Punjab elections in 2017.

Me- Told about our 4 days Punjab tour.

Subsequent questions on this.

Member 1- Asked about Naxalism in Maharashtra- why, where, its nature.

Asked difference between Kashmir situation, North East militancy and Central India's Naxalite movement.

Have you heard about Surgical Strikes? Tell me about it.

M2 Lady member- What Nanded (hometown) is famous for?

A few questions on Guru Gobind Singh, Gurudwara construction, Maharaja Ranjit Singh..

Can you think of any link between IPRs and Film industry? (Hobby- watching short films)

Told about copyright issue.

Asked economic impact of its violation on film industry.

Told about scripts and music related things, their misappropriation and ultimate loss, etc.

But she wanted more. I said Right now Im recalling this only! She said OK.

M3- (He was talking too slow and too long) How come you arranged these SC-ST students Interaction Camps? Where?

Problems of these girls? Solutions?

Why SC-STs still lag behind even after having so many schemes and constitutional provisions?

As a DM what would be your priority towards their empowerment. Told about Education.

M1- What was your observation about Drug Menace in Punjab? Is it a reality?

Initially told about unemployment, stagnancy in Agri etc. He said these things are everywhere. Then I told about the Supply Side, Neighbouring nation's hand.

He asked have met any Drug Addict there? NO!

Told about my interactions with Locals in Punjab and their admission of the problem.

CM- Tell me again what prompted you to visit Punjab only?

Uda Punjab, Drugs issue, curiosity of how a new party (AAP) is getting momentum there.

Who financed the tour?

Where did you report your observations?

(Explained Informal nature of our tour, no institutional backup; Reporting- written blogs on it!)

M4- Tell about State funding of Elections. How would it facilitate our election process. Can it eliminate money power in elections?

I was explaining, but he was not happy. Then I started in Hindi and explained with more clarity. Told about combination of efforts for fair elections- electoral bonds, parties undee RTI etc.

OK. If you are posted as DM in Punjab, how would you tackle Drug problem?

Short term- identify and check on supply side; Long term- youth, jobs, etc

Lady member- What was your prediction and actual result?

Told her how we failed in our prediction.

CM- Its really appreciative that you quit your Govt job to pursue Civil Services and these activities.

Now tell me as an Administrator what would be your FIRST priority among your own activities? Would it be working for sex workers or communal harmony or anything else?

I said Its Communal Harmony!

Why so?

Social fabric, hurdle in our development process.

How?

Platforms like Mohalla committee .. explained.

OK Shivanand, on our part, your interview is over.

Is there anything that we should ask you OR anything you wish to tell something?

Me- Sir, I compose music. Currently I am working on a short film named “Bahishkrit” which is based on Social Boycott Law enacted by Govt of Maharashtra. May I sing 2 lines from the film!!??

(The CM seemed taken aback for a moment. Mam was smiling.)

CM- yes yes, sure.

Had some water with his permission.

I started-

हुआ क्या है आज हमको ये कहाँ हम जा रहे है

मंजिले तो गुम हुई है रास्ते भी खो रहे है

हुआ क्या है आज हमको..

I stopped. Everybody was looking at me.

CM- Well Shivanand, I had told your interview was over. But before you go, do tell me 3 positives of India.

Me-

1. Demographic Dividend- billion+ minds.
2. Unity in Diversity- “India a living museum of cultural diversity”- Iran Prez
3. Resources- if utilized them properly, we would a Developed Nation very soon.

CM- OK Shivanand. Your interview is over now.

आपको भविष्य के लिये बहुत शुभकामनाये !

Greeted all and left the room with smile.

11. Manoj Soni Board

27-2-2018

Background- Punjab, civil engineering, Anthropology

Hobbies- Squash, Bhangra, Rubik's cube

C- Are you comfortable in talking about census? What is census? Who does it? When started? How is the exercise done?

Have u read the latest census?

What are the key takeaways?

U r missing imp point about youth.

Demographic dividend?

Is situation of skilling up to mark?

Make in India, Digital India. What will they do if we don't have skills?

3 things that u have learnt from 2015 to 2018 during prep time?

Were these things not there in u before?

M1- Women are only proxies. Ur experience of reservation in PRIs? What needs to be done?

drug problem in Punjab. Reasons, 2 most important steps that u'll take after becoming DM of ur distt

Since u r from Punjab. Which all regions were partitioned?

Only Bengal and Punjab? No other region in NE?

Was Burma partitioned from British India?

M2- Why so many graduates unemployable?

What needs to be done?

diff bw civil in IITD, DTU and any other state university?

M3- why different colours on squash ball?

Name world class squash players of subcontinent.

Govt spending so much on IITs thinking that they need engineers. Don't u think u'll waste resources of govt by coming in civil services?

How will u use ur knowledge of engg. in indian postal services?

U have learnt only analysis in IIT?

So u think that it is right to come to civil services from IIT?

Radcliffe line? Macmohan line? Is macmohan line accepted? On what principle was it drawn?

Where all face-offs bw India and China?

Should we stop trading with China?

Any country where people voluntarily not buying products of another country?

Not heard of Japan and US?

Why Japan could rebuild it's infrastructure after WW2?

Why India is not doing even having huge resources? Compare with Japan? Use ur analytical bent of mind.

Why Japanese so skilled?

M4- are new IITs and IIMs diluting the brand name of old IITs and IIMs?

Why so less skilled personnel in India?

What needs to be done?

Should we impose some restrictions on freedom of speech and expression? 1-2 follow up questions

Should we ban social media?

But There is so much misuse of social media. Shouldn't we ban social media?

What can be done to reduce misuse of social media?

C- if u r very senior bureaucrat and govt made a policy which u think is not good. That policy is against ur convictions and u think that policy is also against public interest and national interest.

Will u implement that policy?

Your interview is over. Thanku

Totally random Interview.

Time: around 30 minutes

12. Deepika Chadha

Date: March 6, 2018, Forenoon session.

Manoj Soni board

Optional: Socio

Background: Commerce, workex in audit

Chairman

You are from Ggn. And also residing there I think. The name has been changed to Gurugram. Why?

Who gave it in Dakshina?

Have you read Mahabhartar?

Three cardinal principles of auditing ?

M1: So you have been an audit associate. Do you know about the regulation failure which is leading to scams recently? Do you know about some recent scams?

What was Satyam scam?

What is PNB scam all about?

What is capital adequacy ratio?

Have you heard about NPAs?

Have you heard about ROA?

If any bank fails in maintaining these three, what can RBI do to check them?

Budget provisions about Solar and farm income?

How many solar pumps will be distributed? Do you know the amount allocated?

What is a solar city?

What are other sources of renewable energy?

M2

Tell me one instance where you have shown leadership abilities. [DAF based]

What are the hurdles in improving women literacy?

Have you heard about the case “solomon v/s solomon” what is it about? Main underlying principle?

Difference between govt account and private account?

M3 {female panelist}

Okay so you have done bcom hons. You must be having income tax as one of your subjects. And you have also worked as an auditor. What is the section of income tax audit under which you do tax audit?

(I was not a tax auditor though 😊)

What is tax haven? Name some countries.

Why was panama in news? Name of the law firm? Which individuals were named?

Heard about a more recent leak?

Diff between panama and paradise?

Which individual faced the brunt??

M4:

Leadership - where did you display that?

5 Qualities of a leader?

Cyber warfare? Why a threat?

Denial of service?

How can you prevent data leak?

How are the services of govt integrated?

Why did MoS say that the border with China is sensitive? What is the underlying reason behind that?

Thank you.

13. red_panda:

date-07/03/2018, FN session

board-manoj saini

optional- PSIR

grad: computer engineering

from haryana, working in ministry of agriculture.

Chairman:

1 So, you have been living in delhi for around 1 year. Tell me what difference do you feel between haryana and delhi?

2 You have done computer engineering, then you took optional as PSIR and now you are working in ministry of agriculture, so quite a diversity. Can you explain how did this happen?

3 If you had been the DM at time of Ram Rahim case, what course of action you would have followed?

4 Reasons for USSR disintegration?

5 What is glasnot and perastroika?

M1:

1 What exactly is happening in syria? Who is supporting FSA?

2 What brought you in your current job, why you didn't go for IT industry?

3 Why sex ratio so low in Haryana?

M2(lady member):

- 1 Have you heard about Rosseau? Tell me his maxim? What does it mean?
- 2 How do you assess Indian democracy?
- 3 What work exactly do you do in your current job? (2-3 counter questions)
- 4 What is Plant Quarantine?
- 5 There was a famous movie from haryana recently, can you name it?(dangal); what was the main theme of the movie and do you believe in it?

M3:

- 1 Two SAARC countries have pronounced emergency recently, can you name them?
- 2 Reason for emergency in Maldives? What is India's stand?
- 3 Was there any need of emergency in Sri Lanka, it was a simple law and order problem?
- 4 A european country's president is going to visit India, can you name him?
- 5 So, what will be on the agenda of the meeting between india and france? How will french bases help India?
- 6 What is this nuclaer deal between india and france. How many reactors are they going to setup in India? What is NSG?
- 7 Why is Indian Ocean Region important for India?
- 8 What are India's initiatives in IOR? Tell me something about IORA? How many members does it have?
- 9 India in the past has intervned militarily in 2 countries. Can you name them?

M4:

- 1 You said India has aspirations to be a global power, what should be our strategy for that? (2-3 counters)
- 2 How are the relations between India and China? What should be our strategy towards China?
- 3 What according to you is the future of the world order?
- 4 Why people of USA voted Trump to power?
- 5 How to deal with Trump's policies?
- 6 How do you see future of EU?
- 7 Tell me top 3 software companies acc. to market capitalisation?

board was very cordial, everyone was smiling throught except M4(he was expressionless throughout, don't know what was wrong with him ☹)

14. Payal Goyal:

Background - civil engineering, Yoga hobby, Haryana- place of birth

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Chairman

Q. What were you thinking when sitting outside the room.

Q. How do you handle such situations when you get nervous?

Q. You do yoga. I assume only asana. I said I do prayanama as well and their names

Q. Why did you choose civil eng. In btech

Member 1

Q. What did you do in your internship.

Related to earthquake so next question based on it.

Q. If you were administrator in the Bhuj earthquake, how would you have handled it?

Q. What is required to do all the steps mentioned above - communication

Q. What is role of navy in wars.

Q. What are irritants in indo pak

Q. How India handling it

Q. How successful in dealing with Pakistan

Lady member

Q. What role civil eng play in infrastructure projects?

Q. You admit they play imp role. Then why do you want to come in administration.

Q. Policies in civil aviation? - UDAN - what being done- how much fare

Member

Q. What is smart city? Govt scheme regarding it.

Q. NHAI- when formed, aim, how successful in meeting its role.

Q. Reasons of farm distress? What schemes of govt

Msp 1.5 times of which cost? What are different types of cost?

Last member

What did you do as student mentor.

How would you improve literacy of women in Haryana

Have you faced any such barrier?

Who is more inspirational - your mother or father?

Which system better - first past the post or proportional representation? What advantage and disadvantages? How minority views represented in First past the post?

Which election held recently? Italy- which system in it?

Where proportional representation system present.

Chairman: thankyou. Your interview is over.

15. Name: Srishti Chaurasia

Background: Mechanical Engineering, Public Administration, Hobby: Paintings and Parallel Cinema, Lucknow

Date: 06 March 2018

Time: Forenoon

Board: Shri Manoj Soni

1st to go in Forenoon,

duration: 45 Min*

Chairperson:

1. Are you from Lucknow?

2. Are you in profession?

3. So you like Parallel Cinema. Are you aware that Oscars were given yesterday?

4. Have you watched any recent Oscars winning movie?

5. Tell me little older ones too.

6. Tell me the story of Titanic. (As I took name of Titanic)

7. Where was the Titanic built?

8. Tell me the name of actors of the movie. (I told Kate Winslet. But couldn't recall Leonardo DiCaprio that moment so I said sir I'm not able to recall his real name but I know his name in the movie.. "Jack..!!!" Everybody laughed at this looking at each other.)

Member 1 (An enthusiastic Lady)

1. So you are from Lucknow. Tell me who was Begum Hazrat Mahal? (
2. What's her contribution?
3. Any famous place named after her in Lucknow? (I took name of Begam Hazrat Mahal Park)
4. What activities happen in this park?
5. Do you know about Imambaras of Lucknow?
6. Tell me a very Interesting story behind the Imambara. (She seemed surprisingly happy that I knew this)
7. Okay Srishti, Do you think GST is one of the biggest tax reform since independence?
8. What are the advantages of GST?
9. Which all taxes are subsumed in GST?
10. Tell me in numbers. (I didn't know exact number)
11. Okay tell me which ones are not included?
12. Are you sure about real estate? (I'd told electricity, petroleum, real estate)
13. What do you think how has GST benefitted the consumers? (I told 3 points)
14. Most important one is still left can you think more? (I took a pause, but couldn't recall)

Member 3:

1. How India's intelligence is doing?
2. Name all the intelligence agencies.
3. Tell me instances where we have suffered heavily due to Intel failure. (I took names of Mumbai and Pathankot attack)
4. Do you know intel failure during Kargil (I didn't know this)
5. Okay tell me what will happen if our intel fails?
6. Do you know what is 'C'. 'D'. 'S'.? (I told)
7. Who suggested to appoint it and for what purpose? (I vaguely remember this part so I thought not to answer this. I said sorry sir I cannot recollect it)
8. Okay, so now let's ask from the areas you must me more familiar of. So Miss Srishti, you have participated in essay competitions. I think you are very much capable of throwing some light on UCC. Tell me positives, negatives and finally tell your opinion on this.

9. Why some sections are not agreeing to bring it?
10. Are there any movements going on in India regarding this?
11. Any organisation which is advocating for it?
12. What is Law Commission's stand on this?

Member 4.

1. Sir (he meant member 3) was talking about security issues. Take your time and tell us about India's internal security issues. (I told about Naxalism, insurgency in NE and separatist movements JK)

2. Do you know what is 'L'. 'W'. 'E'.? Tell me its full form.

3. How many states are affected? Name the states.

4. What laws do we have to solve internal security problems? (Named AFSPA, MCOCA ..)

5. What is AFSPA?

6. What special powers armed forces get by AFSPA?

7. Okay. You've done Mechanical Engineering. Tell me your favourite subject in ME. (I said Thermodynamics)

8. Tell me applications of Thermodynamics. (I said refrigerators, ACs, IC engines)

9. Who invented IC engine?

(I gave a two seconds pause, then said sir, I'm not sure of my answer but if you'll allow me to make a guess then I would like to answer. He said yes yes you can..!! I said Nicolas Otto. He said 'NO'. I politely said sorry sir.)

10. You collected relief fund for Bhuj earth quake affected people. Tell me how you did it? (I narrated)

11. Suppose you are DM in a district and an Earthquake hits the area, how will you respond? (I categorised in short term and long term)

12. Will psychiatric and trauma care be your short term response?

Member 5 (member with so prominent gestures and good accent)

1. You've participated in 'Red Cross' and 'Scouts and Guides'. Tell me who founded S&G?

2. Which year?

3. What is the motto of S&G?

4. How do they salute and shake hand? (I didn't know this)

5. Okay. Srishti, Have you read today's newspaper? (I said yes)

6. What's going on in Italy? (I told about the parliamentary elections held the day before that day and poll outcome being a hung parliament.)

7. Which were the main competing parties? (I couldn't recall so I said Sir I just had cursory glance over the headlines, I did not go in details. I'm yet to read it fully.)

{Not recalling all the questions asked by M5. He had asked something on my optional public administration and some issues too but I recall nothing}

Chairperson- Okay Miss Chaurasia, your interview is over. All the best and have a nice day.

I thanked the chairperson and gave a smiling cursory glance to each member and came out of the room.

Overall: Not able to judge my performance but one thing is sure that it was one of the amazing interactions that I had in my life.

16. 7th March Afternoon session

Manoj Soni sir's board

Geography optional

Civil engineer

Interview time :40-45 minutes

Ch: You have already achieved Digvijay (ie victory over all) ,already in IPS at such a young age, so many medals , What is that you want to conquer now ?

Ch: Why do you want to be an IAS apart from the traditional reasons ?

Ch: Don't you think that IPS is challenging or a satisfying job ?

Ch: What are the negatives and positives regarding art of living administration

Ch: and the negatives ?

Ch: Do you believe in the concept of 'need to know'?

Ch: (I asked for clarification and he explained)

Ch: As an administrator will you follow it or will you disseminate all info that you have ?

Ch: then how can it be a negative in case of Art of living organisation

Ch: Then when allegations are raised against you, will you disseminate all info ?

M1: Which are the island chains of India ?

M1: What is the importance of Andaman and Nicobar island ?

M1: Do we have any military infrastructure over there ?

M1: Yes, the tri services command. Why do we need tri services over there

M1: Do Chinese have any infrastructure near A and N islands ?

M1: Are you aware what specifically do they have in coco islands ?

M1: What are special forces ?

M1: (Gave me a hint what they are) and asked now apply your mind and say what they do ?

M1: Did we use them somewhere recently in a neighbouring country ?

M1: which special forces carried out surgical strikes ?

M2: Should railways be privatised ?

M2: Any speciality regarding thane about railways ?

M2: Do you prefer smaller states?

M2: Should then Vidarbha be granted separate statehood

M2: why Israel-Palestine issue is not getting solved ?

M3: What are pollution standards we follow ?

M3 : Status of Bharat norms ?

M3: Which country/ region do we copy these from ?

M3: Are you aware about a case in Supreme Court regarding pollution standards ?

M3: why South China Sea is important for India ?

M3: What has been India's shift in stance in Indo Pacific region ?

M3 what about ASEAN ?

M3: Which rules govern oceans ?

M3: What is majuli ? Where is it located ? It's speciality ?

M3: What is majuli's area ?

M3: Are you aware why Majuli was in news recently ?

M4: Are you comfortable in civil engineering ?

M4: Tell me some latest innovations in civil engineering ?

M4: What are green buildings ?

M4: What makes them environment friendly ?

M4: are you aware about a building PM inaugurated yesterday which is a green building?

M4: Why geography as your optional ?

M4: What are the internal security challenges facing India ?

M4: Has demonetisation stopped FICN ?

M4: But there were reports that new notes have additional security features ?

M4: Difference between terrorism and naxalism ?

M4: What is GPS

M4: Which country provides it ?

M4: does India have such a system ?

M4: Is it operational ?

M4: Why did IRNSS 1 A fail ? Did it fail during landing or in orbit ?

M4 : why did IRNSS 1H fail ?

M4: What can be done to promote its use ?

M4: How many states border Myanmar ?

M4: What is the length of India-Myanmar boundary ?

M4: How many check posts are there ?

M4: It is unfenced . Is there any facility for crossing ?

M4: Have we done anything about free movement regime ?

M4: Why Myanmar refuses signing the agreement ?

17. Bhoopati gottimukkala:

Manoj Soni Board

8th March afternoon (1st to go)

B.Tech., Electrical and Electronics Engineering

3 years in Tata Consultancy Services

5 years in New India Assurance

Selected in a Senior Administrative Position In DRDO (waiting for posting)

Geography optional

Home state : Andhra Pradesh

Chairman:

When did you come to Delhi?

How is your experience in insurance sector? Counter questions

What about the merging of three insurance companies? Your take? Counter questions

Penetration of Insurance Sector? Why low penetration? 3 Counter questions

Member 1 Lady (pleasant and smiling):

What is UDAN Scheme?

Translate in English (Let the Common man fly ☺)

China's influence in South China Sea.

Stand of India and USA on China's assertiveness in South China Sea?

Tell me the names of ASEAN countries.

Who are the chief guests in the Republic Day?

India's importance to ASEAN?

Counter questions on ASEAN.

Did you watch Dangal Movie?

Theme? Real names? Which Sport? At which event Geeta won the medal?

Member 2 (most grilling – took around 15 mins)

What is your role in TCS?

How did you provide real time support to the US client? Counter questions

Long explanation regarding PNB issue and then started the questions.

Why Audit and Vigilance could not identify the issue?

Counter questions on these

What could you suggest on auditing measures in the banks?

What is the role of RBI as a regulator in these issues?

Banks consolidation issue? How is it advantageous?

NPAs? Can we get Zero default in banking?

IBBC? What are the provisions?

Can the original promoters be allowed in the bidding? (Reminder: I worked in insurance, not in banking sector)

Chairman: Please pass on to the next member.

M2: Sir, one more question.

What is the role of TPA in insurance sector?

Why can't Insurance companies do the same role?

3 counter questions and discussion.

(He asked 4 questions even after Chairman interrupted)

M3:

Tell me difference between Individual Mediciam and Group Mediciam policies?

IS OPD allowed in Individual or Group?

How do you calculate premium if OPD is included in the policy?

In Group Mediciam, premium is paid by the companies? Will they get tax exemption for it ?

I talked about CTC and gave my personal experience. Some counter questions on that.

Now starts the extreme part:

Present me a plan, using your experience, tell me how to get real time information of enemy states? How to become superior in information? (HE explained for a minute and asked this question)

(I started thinking. Then He asked "You could not have studied it. Just application part of your knowledge. I asked Sir, Can I take a minute to think? Then he said "take your time")

I told about satellites and cyber network access etc.

Then questions on LEO satellite and Geo synchronous satellites?

Which can be used in this? Can trajectory be changed in these satellites?

3 counter questions on this

M4:

Andhra Pradesh state demands.

Special category issue. 2-3 counter questions

Peoples war movement in Andhra Pradesh in the early days and name of the leader who got killed by the police?

What do you know about Social Contract theory? (I could not recollect after all this brain storming and said the same)

Ch: Thank you *. All the Best and Thank you

18. UNKNOWN

08/03/18

Manoj Soni Sir

Mechanical Engineer

Geography

C:

How's climate in TN?

When TN will get rainfall?

What factors are important for monsoon?

Why civil services?

How you got inspired?

M1:

Monsoon in India

El nino what was that?

Effects

Developments in Monsoon prediction.

M2:

After 9/11, What safety things America done?

Psyche of America changed in what sense?

Regarding hijack of Planes and measures to prevent.

Many follow up questions in this regard.....

What you done as NSS volunteer?

M3:

Demonitisation good or bad?

Effects?

What government done to increase digital payments?

Bhim app, upi, wallet

Recent developments in mechanical engineering and follow up on that.

M4:

A MNC conducted hand wash campaign what was that?

Who is lifebuoy manufacturer?

Temples in Tamil nadu

Recent coal policy?

Some questions I don't remember.

19. Girish Badole

Interview date - 9th March

Dr Manoj Soni board

PSIR optional, Medical background

Hobbies - football, chess, documentary

Last to go (morning session) 35 Min

Ch - Lengthy question but basically why civil services when country needs more doctors.

Ch - what is farmers march from Nashik about And their demands

Ans- told about long march and demands

Ch- Didn't MH gave loan waiver last year?

Ans-explained about problems in implementation

Ch- Marches may turn violent, as a officer, what steps will you take?

Ans- Recent NDMA guidelines on crowd management, maintain law and order, adequate security personnel, curb provoking speeches, traffic management, etc

M1 - who Osmanabad named after

M1 - should health be private or public?

Ans- told both are complementary in Indian situation and gave reasons citing NHP2017, strategic purchasing, etc

M1- Is Ayurveda science or quackery?

Ans- said science and cited charaka, doctrine of Ayurveda

M1- Will you use Ayurveda in treatment?

Ans- said many ayurvedic preparations are prescribed today by allopathic doctors. Gave examples

M1- what are issues AYUSH face?

Ans- R&D, quality standards of drugs, Inadequacy in 2&3 health sector, seen inferior to western medicine,

M1- what is trickle down theory?

M1- Should railway be privatised?

Ans- said No, gave many reasons-like improving management, safety, 4 lac cr given in budget, positive Social externality, mentioned railway issue in UK, Poor's transport, Hinterland connectivity, Roads sector still lag.

M1(Picking points from my answer)- why invest 4 lac cr, Is it good prioritisation

M1- what social externality Railway has that you were saying?

M2-So you worked in ONGC,

How many months?

M2-Any life saving experience as doctor

M2-How much is distance between platforms and From coast? Can we explore beyond current locations?

Ans- told EEZ limit etc

M2- What is Security system to protect platforms?

M2- What are other threats from coast ?

Ans- Terrorism 26/11, trafficking in arms, drugs, FICN, etc

M2- What coastal Security measures taken post 26/11?

Ans: mentioned CSS scheme, More funds, interceptor, OPV boats, Marine police, modernisation of Coast guard, proposed CMPF

M2- Anything related to detection of threats?

Ans- GPS on boats to track, NC3I for intelligence,

M2- he asked about AIS, radar systems onboard?

Ans- didn't know.

M3(Lady Member)-

M3- what is CSR(I'd mentioned in trickle down theory question)?

Ans- sec 135, 2% and evolution of idea from philanthropy, Trusteeship etc

M3- what is CSR criteria?are all company covered?

Ans-explained turnover,net worth, profit criteria

M3- Lengthy question on Companies using CSR for profit ,Do you agree or not?

M3- What is scientific social responsibility?

Ans- explained PM comment in ISC Tirupati, and scientists helping Society,Poor, rural population?

M3- more specific point which PM mentioned

M3 -said not recollect.

M4- You mentioned GPS, what's longform,which Country own it?

M4- Do we have anything similar?

Ans- told NAVIC

M4- explain about it

Ans- mentioned 7satellite, range, accuracy, types of usage(for defence, for others), Recent malfunction of atomic clocks etc

M4- So we need NAVIC sensor?

Ans- (I had mentioned need of NAVIC sensor in mobiles like GPS sensor)told ISRO,DoT are working on it.Then our citizens will start taking benefits of NAVIC

M4- What is GSO,GTO orbits?

M4 -about MH agrarian distress. Reasons?

Ans- explained all factors, water scarcity, Irrigation, high Input costs, indebtedness,Price fluctuations, Fragmented land holding, etc

M4 - What are provisions in budget for this?

Ans- told MSP related, 11 lac cr credit

M4 - what area budget focus?

Ans- Post harvest issues is more focus with MSP,20000 GrAM, Operation Green, FPO, Agro processing,agroExport,agri logistics

M4- What is Operation Green and how will it help farmers?

Ans- explained

M4- Anything about increasing farmer income? About E-NAM. Whats eNam

Ans- said scheme was started last year, this budget aims to coverage will be increased from nearly 300 to 550 mandis

Ans- asked about health insurance scheme given in budget?

Ans- Explained NHPS.

Ch- Thank you, your interview is over. All the best.

20. Rahul Ratnam Pandey

Manoj Soni Board

Law optional

Kanpur home

1. Tell me about all the schedules of the Constitution?
2. Why was 9th schedule incorporated? Is it a weapon in the hands of the government. Has it ever been misused.
3. When was the Income Tax Act passed? Under which section do we file returns.
4. What are the salient features of Draft Human Trafficking Bill? Which agency will investigate under the bill? Do our neighbouring countries view the bill as inimical to their interests? Tell about the fund that has been proposed under the bill?
5. Tell about Sexual Harassment Bill. Salient features. Has the definition of sexual harassment being widened by the Act?
6. What is Civil Liability of Nuclear Damage Act? What are the issues regarding it.
7. The recent visit of the French President. What India can do regarding NSG membership from the visit? In what areas India and France have nuclear commerce? How many nuclear reactors has France set up on India?
8. What are the 3-4 major threats that Taj Mahal faces?
9. What is the Siachen dispute? From which point does the glacier start. What are the different claims if India and Pakistan? Name the valleys on the northern and western side of the glacier?
10. What are the problems faced by sugarcane farmers in Uttar Pradesh? Name recent state and central govt schemes for them?
11. What are paradise papers?
12. What are panama papers? Name the people whose names came out in panama leak?

13. What is basic income?
14. What are characteristics of a tax haven. (Asked 5 specifically).
15. What are NGOs and their role? As a DM how will you associate with them?
16. What are the problems and issues in Jammu and Kashmir? How will they get solved? When there is stalemate in talks how are talks an effective option?
17. Recently salary of three constitutional authorities have been increased? Whose and by how much?
18. What is PIL and how has it helped?
19. What is judicial review? Is there a specific article in the Constitution which provides for judicial review? What is Article 32? Is judicial review specifically incorporated in the USA constitution?
20. What do you think is the greatest problem that foreign investors face in India?
21. Which craft is Lucknow famous for?
22. On hobby what you research? Where you publish? First paper you published? Details of that.

21. Srijan:

12 March, Morning session, 1st to go

Board : Dr. Manoj Soni, no lady member was there.

Background : Electronics Engg, 15 months work experience in private job (resigned), from Allahabad (UP), first attempt, Geography optional

Hobby : teaching underprivileged children.

Chairman: How are you feeling today?

Me: A bit nervous and happy as well

CM: Be relaxed, we will talk a bit and will try to know what you have to offer. Don't be nervous at all.

#I see you joined job and also left within a short time. May I ask you what prompted you to do so? Reply only if you like, no compulsions.

#I also see that you teach "underprivileged" (he gestured for underprivileged to be in double quotes emphasizing on that word). What kind of underprivileged children? Did you also try to enrol them in schools? What else did you do? Did you teach them as well?

#What according to you is any one shortcoming of RTE Act?

M1: There are so many social tensions in India. What do you think are the reasons for that?

M1: Is GDP growth along with joblessness ok for India?(I missed unemployment as a reason for Social tension may be that's why he put it like that)

M1: What is a chinaman bowler?(mentioned cricket in DAF)

M2: What are your service preferences? At IFS, he started :

M2: Name some global issues which most countries in the world are trying to work on.

(I told about sea lines of communication, WTO trade issue, Rise of China, etc. but missed global warming)

M2 : What is India doing for fighting global warming?

M2: Why are so many engineers coming to Civil services? What are the issues in engineering? If they get good engineering job will they stop coming here?

M3: What did you find interesting in the UPSC examination process? (I thought he was talking specifically about exam process and so I said reading humanities subjects after having technical degree). He interrupted saying what about this service, which post (I said DM).

M3: What are the roles of a DM? If you are made DM of a very remote area which things will you do 1st. (I said bringing governance closer to the people. He asked to elaborate).

M3: What else will you do? (I said something like plugging loopholes which was brought up again by Chairman Sir later).

M4: What has government done to double farmers income?

M4: You are from Allahabad which is a historical city. Tell me about Allahabad (told sangam, kumbha mela, city of PMs, Allahabad university 4th oldest in India).

M4: Aren't there famous personalities from Allahabad? So many writers, poets, etc? Didn't you get influenced by your city and write anything like poems etc? (I said no)

M4: Conditions of villages in India and in Allahabad as well, their problems, etc.

Chairman : You said about plugging loopholes earlier. As a DM, choose any 2 government schemes aimed at doubling farmer's income, identify loopholes and suggest ways how will you curb them (he asked me to take my time and use paper-pencil too).

I told about PMKSY and PMFBY and started to tell about identifying proper beneficiaries to which he interrupted and asked to tell me specific loopholes in the said schemes. I said sorry Sir, I'm not able to recollect.

Then he asked if I would like to have tea/coffee to which I politely said no. He smiled and said thank you your interview is over.

My take: Super cordial board. Manoj sir is so soft spoken that you will instantly forget all your nervousness. Being 1st timer, they didn't grill me nor asked too many cross questions. I didn't even realize that it was already 30 minutes into the interview. Overall satisfied with the experience

22. Vedbhushan:

Date 12th march 2018

Afternoon session

Manoj Soni Board

Vedbhushan

Bsc physics, MSc astrophysics, MA political science

Hobby- badminton, motivational speaker

Political science optional

Bargarh district, Odisha

Chairman

1. You studied physics, did MSc in astrophysics then MA in political science? Why such diversity?

2. What is happening in Maldives?

3. Should we intervene?

4. Something related to odisha is happening here in India gate. What is it?

5. How long have you been in delhi? Have you been to this place?

6. Can you cook?

7. It would be nice if you invited us for some odia food

M1

1. How are these subjects related? Physics astrophysics and political science?

2. How are physics and Indian philosophy related?

3. Have you studied about nuclear reactions? What happens in the reaction?

4. How did Indian nuclear program develop?

5. So by nuclear program you only understand atom bomb?

6. What is India doing for harnessing it for energy?

7. How will you apply your knowledge of physics and philosophy in administration?

M2

1. Tell me three laws of entropy
2. Does entropy of a system always increase or decrease?
3. Power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. What is your view?
4. A society has that form of government which it deserves. Comment.
5. There was a news today about something happening in Mumbai. Do you know about it?
6. What has happened in CERN? Why is it important?
7. Whom do you motivate?
8. Have you come across a complaint that teachers don't understand the psychology of children completely?
9. What can be done to remove this?
10. You had scouts, what is the history of scouting?
11. What did you do in Rajya Puraskar training?

M3

1. What are the sources of energy that we have?
2. Why should we prefer renewables?
3. India's major source is renewable or non-renewable?
4. Have you heard about climate change? How do you know it is happening?
5. What is the difference between weather change and climate change?
6. What is INDC?
7. India's commitment?
8. What is ISA?
9. What target does it have?

M4

1. You don't have a surname. Why so?
2. You are from Ravenshaw which was earlier a college and now it is university. Why is it famous in Odisha?
3. What is the one thing that Ravenshaw has provided in graduation?

4. Were you in politics?
5. India is a big country, Switzerland has population of few lacs, still technology is more advanced? Why?
6. If you're made secretary of Department of science and technology, what would you do to promote research?
7. Where is your district? Is it near sambalpur?
8. Odisha is one of the poorest states, and your region specially poor. If you're allotted home state, and you are posted in your district. What three steps would you take?
9. How would you develop infrastructure? What are the challenges?
10. What can you do to ensure that tribals don't go to babas or tantrics and rely on doctor when ill?
11. What would be your first priority, infrastructure or health and sanitation?

23. Gary:

9th March

Dr Manoj Soni board

PSIR

Last to go(morning session) 35 Min

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Ans- Explained NHPS.

Ch- Thank you, your interview is over. All the best.

24. Vikrant More

Optional- agriculture

M.sc - dairy science

Manoj soni sir

3 rd to go

Morning session

What is operation flood

Biography of Dr kurien

What u learned from it

Achievements of operations flood

What is NDDB

History of NDDB

(Gujarat connection- Soni Sir)

M1. Farmers protest in MH

Is loan waiver solution

What is long term solutions

Suggestions for dairy development in India

Sectors agriculture should focus

What are government doing in agriculture.

Why we have not been able to do agriculture department since independence

What are benefits of sainik school

How will you use it in Administration

E Governance example

Benefits of e governance

What more needs to be done in Dairy sectors

Sports culture how to develop

How to manage funds for sports

Marathawada drought why

What should be done

Is there MSP for pulses

What is water use efficiency

Can there be micirrigation in North east

Government initiative for microirrigation

What is water use efficiency in Industry

What is RTI

What is link between RTI and Whistle blower act

INS Vikrant and INS virat

Generalist Vs specialist

Death penelaty do you support

For which all Crime u will suggest.

What is desi milk

How is disaster management in India

What we should improve D.M

What is bio toilet

Who developed Bio toilets

Very diverse questions

By This board.

No woman member

25. Soumya:

Dr. Manoj Soni board

12/03/18

Afternoon

Second person to go in my board.

Chairman :

1. So you are from Tamilnadu, where are you staying now ?
2. Tell me some features about Tamilnadu that is very unique to it.
3. Pick up any other state of India and tell me about it's unique features.
4. What is the problem in Jammu and Kashmir ?
5. So you have a degree in Information Technology ...

(No question. He just stopped there).

Member 1 :

1. What is Internet of things ?
2. How do we use it in governance ?
3. What is cloud computing ?
4. What is the need for having the data in a remote server rather than having it in our local devices ?

Member 2:

1. What is the problem between Tamilnadu and karnataka ?
2. What is your opinion on the Supreme court judgement in that case ?
3. Do you think it will suit during water deficit times ??
4. Then what shall we do ?
5. You are the administrator of Thanjavur district, do you think you will be able to shift the farmers there to other crops from rice ?
6. What is your service preference ?
7. Do you know the nature of the job ?
7. Are you willing to work for the Government of India ?

Member 3 :

1. So you are a kabaddi player , what position did you play in ?

2. Do you think kabaddi is now being played in rural India ?
3. Is kabaddi played in any other country other than India ?
4. (I do blogging) what is your blog ?
5. What kind of things you write in there ?
6. Tell me a recent post that you wrote ?
7. Where do you blog ? (I assumed he was asking about having a own domain or using blogger or wordpress etc .. and answered.)

Member 4 :

1. Tell me , what is the problem between Tamilnadu and Srilanka. (I told them about the fishermen issue and that it is a problem between India and Srilanka involving fishermen from Tamilnadu).
2. What can be done to solve this ? (Deep sea fishing, effective implementation of JWG , joint patrolling etc..)
3. Will that solve the problem ?
4. Is there any other issue between TAMILNADU and Srilanka ?
5. Why are always actors coming into politics in your state ?
6. Chennai is a coastal area.. but it has drinking water problems. Why ?
7. Why not desalination of sea water, anyway so many countries are doing it ?
8. Who have encroached the wetlands of chennai , the government or the public ?
9. What can we do to clear these encroachments ?

Chairman :

Your interview is over. You can leave. All the best.

26. ALI Abbas:

Sh Manoj Soni board:

Morning session:14/03/18

- 1)Where are you staying these days?
- 2)Why in jamia for last 1 year?
- 3)Have you heard about Stephen hawking?
- 4)Tell me the branch of physics he studied?his famous work and the book he wrote?

- 5)What are the issues with land rehabilitation act?What are your views on the topic?
- 6)But what about those acquisition which government does for infrastructure project?
- 7)Why did you leave your job working for 5 years?

Member 1:

- 1)How can radicalisation be stopped?
- 2)What are your views about petition of India?Could it have been avoided?
- 3)What could be the advantages?
- 4)How to handle situation in Kashmir?
- 5)Should the way we handled situation in Punjab be applied to Kashmir?

Member 2:

- 1) Tell me about cricket players from past?
- 2)Whom do you follow?
- 3)No 1 T20 side in the world?
- 4)Why sociology after engineering?
- 5)How could banking crisis be averted?
- 6)Tell me specifically what rbi has done today?
- 7)What would be impact?
- 8) Is that the right move?
- 9)Why do you think so?

Member 3:

- 1)why diary writing ?
- 2) Advantages of diary writing?
- 3)Do you wish to publish your diaries?
- 4)Compare tendulkar with kohli?
- 5)Choose one from them?
- 6)India comprised of 25 percent world trade 500 years back , today our share is only 2%?Why are we not able to do it know?
- 7)But why private investment not coming in. India?
- 8)Why rate of credit growth is low?

9) But since 2014 you say there are number of schemes ? What things not changing?

MEMBER 4:

1) If you are made deputy collector of a district in Uttar Pradesh what would you do on first day?

2) Tell me your 2 priorities?

3) If local MLA/MP is not supporting what would you do?

4) Would you take the help of NGOs?

5) Tell me something about river Ganga?

6) Any project to clean Ganga?

7) How is it different from previous projects?

8) Do you think it can be successful ?

9) But what about industries situated on bank on river?

Thank you very much Abbas. Your interview is over. All the very best for the day.

27. UNKNOWN

Panel: Manoj Soni sir

C: U must be a very happy person... Got 3 selections in 3 years... How do you feel about it?

(I felt it prudent to clear here itself that I have joined IFS (forest) and not IRS while explaining how do I feel about it...)

If it is not too personal a question may I ask why did you join forest service?

What service you want to join if you get selected? Why?

What are the social festivals Maharashtra celebrate??

Are these a challenge to handle??

How would you handle kumbh mela??

Are these an opportunity too?? How?? He wanted specific actions as a civil servant I would take to grab the opportunities...

M1: (he was very keen type of a person and went on asking questions for around 10-15 mins... Chairman had to stop him...)

Broad themes were: my college, what all placements I got, what job profile I was looking for, what all companies came for placement, why didn't I try for Google n all, my work

experience in UK, why did I not think of settling in UK, why did I leave the job if the profile was so good, nitty-gritties of my work with NGOs, whether I would continue to work with them if I was appointed as a collector in Bihar, how would NGOs help me as a collector, how I would change Agri situation in Bihar, why industries couldn't flourish in India, what industries one would set up in Bihar... Hushh... He went on n on... I don't remember any further...

M2: what are our INDCs... Specific INDCs regarding forest, how are we faring on those, can we achieve the target, what are government schemes regarding forest, forest laws, forest in budget 2018, how climate change is affecting forest, how forest can be used to stop CC, what are minor forest produce, any controversy regarding that, brief overview of India's forests...

M3: (he went through my DAF n there was pin drop silence for sometime)

naxal problem in gadchiroli, specific number of locals joining naxal ranks in gadchiroli, specific steps on women empowerment

M4: (he was the jolliest of all)

what is the difference between judo, karate n taekwondo

What are all the belts available in karate, artificial intelligence is it good or bad, how can we curb the bad part of it, how AI developments are happening in India, weak AI n strong AI, what is GCC, India's relationship with GCC, cooperation in specific areas, exact number of diaspora there n some follow up questions, how Dubai is being developed, some specifics of AI developments in Dubai...

Overall,

A very cordial board

No lady member

Interview mostly revolved around my DAF only

Each member focused specific section of DAF

(M1 on college, job n extra curricular like NGOs, also asked some broad developmental questions,

M2 on service,

M3 on extra curriculars like visit to gadchiroli n the questions followed,

M4 on hobbies, achievements and a bit of IR)

Manoj Soni sir wears a big kumkum tika on his forehead and strolled across his chair once while the second member was asking questions...

28. Nitish kumar

Graduation-economics from BHU

PG-Social work(DU)

Hobby- Painting and Reading

Dr. Manoj soni board

7th march Morning session (1st candidate)

Me-gm sir n madam

C- so nitish kumar from bihar...having a similarity wid grt personality...(was happy to hear...n expected some questions 😊....bt he dint asked on this 😊)

C-having economics in BA...n social work in MA...was it a plaaned choice??

C-tell some nobel Laureate in economics in recent year??

C-what is games theory?

C-what is nash equilibrium?

C-contribution of john nash?

And movie based on him?

C-any other theory by Nash??

C-what is public good(PG)??

What is the principal of PG??

C- What is marginal utility?

C-what is paradise paper leak?

C-difference between stock n

Share?

M2-Having schooling from

Military school.....

What is difference b/w Military n sainik school??

M2- don't you think that these

School are not fulfilling their objectives(of sending cadets to armed forces)....to which i gave a long answer 😊

M2-army is better than navy n

Air force in which field??

(After ans...he asked me to give me 3 areas as priority wise)

M2-what was subprime lending
crisis?

M2- what is quantitative easing?
Which banks dis this??

M2-how was Iceland affected
From subprime crisis??

M2- name any movie on this?

M2-why there is a tendency in
Indian market that shopkeepers ask customers...whether you wud want a bill???

M2- why it is still happening in
electronics shop???
When did you last visit
electronic shop???

(I said ...4 electronics online 🙄)

M2-how GST will help in this behaviour??

M3-what is administrative
philosophy??name some
admin philosophers

M3-what is Max Webber's model
Of admin?
What are limitations in this?

M3-why bureucracy has
attained anegative
connotations??

M3-As an adiministrator what
Wud be ur ethical priorities?

M3- which is best painting you

like? N why?

M3-do you think cricket is
encroaching space of other
sports??

M4(lady)- what is difference b/w
Tax evasion and Tax
avoidance?

M4-effects of cash based economy on direct and indirect taxation?

M4-name some famous personalities in paradise paper leak(she was nt plsed to hear Big
B's name...🙄)

M4-tell me some other name

M5- how technology will help in adiministration?

M5-what is MIS?

M5-what is e governance?

M5-name some e gov prog?

M5- what is e kranti?

M5-name some changed names
Of gov programm in this
sector

M5-what are steps involved in
banks consolidation(bank
merger)?

M5-what is CAR (Capital
adequacy ratio)?

Interview was cordial n much better than those mocks🙄

Most of the questions from economics

29. Praveen singh:

15 March FN session MANOJ SONI SIR Board. 2nd Last to go.

About me: Grad:MECH. Engg.

OPTIONAL: PSIR

Home town Varanasi

C- So u r from Varanasi. Tell me one impact that varanasi has on u?

C- tell me one impact that U had on Varanasi.

C-what was done after it?

M1- how do ganga gets polluted in varanasi?

M1- how to solve it?

M1-any local org. Engaged in awareness campaign for ganga cleaning?

M1- namami gange-ground status.

M1- what can be done to clean ganga?

M2- how old is ur college?

M2- who was harcourt butler <my college name>

M2- what was his contribution?

M2-why fewer people know about HBTI kanpur?

M2- I see u have played cricket in college. Should india and pak. Play cricket?

M2-so untill kashmir unrest doesnt gets over till then no cricket?

M2- Do u support bullet train?

M2- expected fare?

M2- so is it<bullet train> only a rich-class venture—not for common coz very high fare?

M2- Do u support a policy where corporates be allowed only to gain profit upto certain extent and rest be transferred to govt.?

M2- What is the motive of corporates?

M2- Do u support that only rich be allowed to stay in a country ?

M3- what type of songs u sing? (hobby) and fav. Singer.

M3- Use of robotics in IPS-law and order. (robotics nowhere mentioned in DAF)

M3- Do u support cloning?

M3- merits of cloning?

M3- How to increase agricultural productivity?

M3- do u support GM crops?

M3- can machines be used in indian agriculture in all areas?

M3- tell me something about irrigation status in india and how it can be improved?

M4- (sitting quietly with no expression)- How will u use robotics in LWE areas?

M4- recently a country went short of garbage for its waste to energy plants. Name it?

<i didnt knw-he told me sweden>

M4- What is good about Nordic countries?

M4- do u know anything about the pension scheme in sweden?

<i didnt know the ans.>

Remarks: Lot of cross-questions were there. DAF was covered and M3 surprised me with disconnected topics. Overall cordial board with lot of smiles. It took 40 minutes.

30. Ashu:

Board - Dr Manoj Soni

Date - March 16, 2018 FN

Time of PT - 33 minutes.

B.Tech Civil Engineering

No job and 5th attempt.

Hobbies - Trekking, jogging and photography.

Sri Ganganagar, Rajasthan

Chair - You did your graduation in 2012. How you have kept yourself busy in these couple of years?

Chair - Ok. It's good that you took time to pursue your hobby. Otherwise, we hardly get time to pursue it.

Anyways. You are a civil engineer. So, how would you use your knowledge in administration.

Chair - What kind of advancement have happened in irrigation and highway engg in last couple of years.

Chair passes the baton to M1.

M1: What is 3D printing?

M1: Recently, China has been using 3-D printing to construct buildings like 20 storey building. So, how they are doing that?

M1: So, you are student of International Relations. Tell me, how do you look the future of India-US relations?

M1: Should India trust US?

(baton passes on to M2)

M2: So, you talked about Indo-US cooperation. What about nuclear cooperation? Is it happening?

M2: So, what is this exact liability issue? Can you explain?

M2: Which agency handles the liability matter at international level?

M2: What do you understand by international relations?

M2: Why India engages with other countries?

M2: Can't India ensure its sovereignty without engaging with other countries?

M2: So, your hobby is photography. Is there any kind of disruptionist technology in the field of photography? First tell me what is disruptionist technology?

M2: So, is there any kind of such technology in photography?

M2: Do you print your photographs?

(baton to M3)

M3: What are challenges of Rajasthan's tourism sector?

M3: What would you do to improve the tourism sector?

M3: Tell me why Indian President is called as supreme commander of defence forces? He doesn't wear uniform, he never goes to war. So, why only he is called as supreme commander?

M3: Okay. Then tell me that who is responsible for India's security? There is one particular person responsible for defence of India. Who is he?

M3: It is the defence secretary.

M3: There are two houses in Parliament. One is Lok Sabha, where MPs come from direct election. So, Rajya Sabha represents whom?

M3: How it represents States? What is the difference between Lok Sabha MP and Rajya Sabha MP?

M3: Is there any kind of provision that RS MPs of State should be necessarily from that particular State?

M3: So, do you think this needs to be changes and the domicile criteria needs to be mandatory.

M3: Tell me three things that you think India should learn from the history of last 500 years.

(baton to M4)

M4: So you are from Sri Ganganagar. Tell me something about this place.

M4: You talked about green revolution. What was it based on?

M4: What are the pitfalls of green revolution?

M4: Don't you think the target of doubling farmers' income by 2022 is over-ambitious target?

M4: Can govt achieve it? What impact will it have?

M4: What are the inputs used in agricultural farming?

Chair: Thank you. Your interview is over.

31. Name: Suman Nala

Board: manoj soni sir

4th to go

History, worked with elderly, disabled and on nanotechnology in various projects.

1. What are you doing these days?
2. What is trade deficit
3. How does it affect? (I told it affects rating of country)
4. In which field India has trade deficit?
5. Why is not affecting rating of country (I told we balance with export. If not able to do this the rating will be affected)

1. What is the hobby of interacting with elderly?
2. What are the problems faced by elderly?
3. What is the mission started for sanitation?
4. How to change the mindset for sanitation?
- 5 In how much time we will be able to do this?
6. Are we able to do it.
7. What is the condition of our industry?
8. Why our manufacturing not picking?
9. Problems of msme.
10. Why China is able to grow in manufacturing?
11. In sensex what is the contribution of msme.
12. How much is the industrial growth of India.

1. Told about T.N.sesan staying in old age home. What are your views about it?

2. Which part you consider as golden era of india?
3. Why those regions which were under Mauryans and Gupta are backward now??

1. What was ur research project about ??(it was in nanotechnology)
3. Why nanotechnology not progressing in India?
4. What is this degree you did in college? How is it useful today?
5. What are your service preference?? Looks like u want to stay in India.
6. Tell me how IAS is linked to foreign policy.
7. What are the problems of CSR. How it can be overcome?

1. What is disability according to you?
2. How can they contribute?
3. How can celebral palsy people contribute?
4. Do you think government is doing enough for disabled?
5. Tell 3 primary and 3 secondary problems which today's government should focus
6. What are the steps taken by government in each of these fields.
7. How much % are skilled in India? What is the world average?

Cordial board, chairman and other members had smiling face . Most questions from DAF, government work and economics

32. Name-- Pankaj Khandagale

DOI-- 15-03-2018

Board-- Manoj Soni sir.

Travelling, mechanical engg,Tata power, history.

Soni sir--

- 1) why u took eol?
- 1) what is middle class?
- 2) does having large middle class affects a country?how?
- 3) which class is important for a country , poor class,middle class or rich class?
- 5) which class pays highest taxes?
- 4)shall government have similar kind of policy for all classes?

Member-1

- 1) what is difference between public servant and civil servant?
- 2) ministers are public servant or civil servant?
- 3) what else comes in public servant?
- 4) what is government?
- 5) what is central government?
- 6) what are it's components?
- 7) under which ministry ur service comes?
- 8)what is full form of cbec ? Has it been changed?
- 9) what is hierarchy of ur service . Starting from cbec head to hawaladar?
- 10) what is debate going on over sanitation?
- 11) do u think that India is dirty country is fact or perception?
- 12) do u thing that changing perception of people towards sanitation is only duty of

government? Who others should participate?
13) is there any role of private sector in it? What is it?

Member-2

- 1) why you want to opt for IAS?
- 2) what do u mean by opportunities in IAS?
- 3) do u think that taxing service people(civil servants) is wrong because already they have meagre salaries?
- 4) what is percentage of tax paid by service people in India?
- 5) Shall agriculture be taxed? (I said yes)
- 6) But if u think that agriculture be taxed then why till now we didn't tax it?
- 7) what is FDI?
- 8) do u support 100% fdi in all sectors? Why?
- 9) what are sectors where FDI shall not be allowed?
- 10) shall FDI be allowed in retail sector? Why?
- 11) how to protect retail sellers from foreign companies?
- 12) USA imposed duty on import of steel and aluminium. Do u support such moves ?
- 13) India is imposing anti dumping duty on import of steel from China to protect Indian industries. Do u support this Indian policy?
- 14) do u watch movies?
- 15) who is ur favourite hero?

Member-3

- 1) what is use of mechanical engg and history in ur service?
 - 2) what is disruptive technology? give an example.
- Some more questions, unable to recall.

Member-4

- 1) how would u increase tax base ?
- 2) what is curriculum of ur subject- history?
- 3) which part u like most?
(I said modern India n then he asked question from medieval)
- 4) do u think that Mughals subjugated India?

CM

- 1) do u mean anybody who came to India and settled in India then we can say that they have not subjugated India?
- 2) what do u think that if Britishers would have settled in India then can we say that they didn't subjugate India?

33. Veerendra

14 March, after noon

Board : Soni sir

1. so poetry is your hobby..who is favorite poet??
2. Couplets of kurukshetra...(as I told I don't have a single favorite poet, rather.. different parts and poems.)

3. Geopolitical relevance of my poem.
4. How wld you improve our foreign policy.?
5. How economic, human resources and manufacturing sector and R&D..??(Aa u told first to be strong internally)
6. What for msme industry..??
7. Defence industry.
8. India Maldives relations and Maldives internal problem
9. Why you going to join Civils services and not R &D??
10. Why not IFS as first choice..why IAs first..??
11. Functions of IAS.
12. Can you live in Delhi where you have to travel by bus and pick you files yourself..??
13. Who is you fav political leader anand why??
14. What is LHC?(daf)
15. What happens first action or reaction.??
16. Gun license at your home..Daf related
17. How wld you convince ppl to not buy gun licences..?
18. Again some ir related qstns..trivials.
19. Shd be get unsc seat without veto..??
20. What after that...??
21. What is quantum physics? He said that he didn't understand quantum physics?
22. Can it explain whole universe??
23. Relation between energy and physics?
24. Who is opposing our unsc seat?
25. What is coffee club??

34. Pooja 3/29/18

Mr. Manoj Soni Board

Home state- Chhatisgarh

Optional- public administration

Background-Engineering in Information Technology

Chairman-

1. Chhatisgarh cuisine(home state)
2. Bhilai steel plant - asked about foundation , production.
3. NURM - analysis
4. MGNREGA - Critical analysis

M1:

5. Some statement said by Gen. Bipin Rawat and asked what does it mean.
- Nuclear policy of Pakistan
6. India's maritime interests
7. Who safeguards it and how
8. Data mining and application

M2:

9. Bigdata and application
- Difference between data mining and big data

- 10.administration vs management
11. Public vs private administration
12. Chhatisgarh LWE problems and its initiatives to tackle them
13. Digital india and its pillars
- 14.e governance

M3:

15. Incredible India campaign and recent initiative
16. MSME and its importance.. Budget 2018 incentives for MSME.
- 17 . International solar alliance and recent developments .

35. Board: Manoj Soni Sir

Afternoon Session

Background: Electronics

Optional: Anthropology

Questions in random order:

1. Started with the discussion on SC judgement on SC/ST Atrocities Act.View on it.
 2. Co-relating the recent protests with Poona Pact.
 3. Make in India campaign relating with electronics
 4. Jalgaon: 2 recent happenings. Follow up questions about water conservation and water saving technology in farming.
 5. Illegal Migrants under which act?
 6. Separate act is present for migrants in Assam, which act is it and provisions of it
 7. Impact of global warming on India
 8. Segregation of waste model. Feasibility in India?
 9. Why Manufacturing sector been weak in India? Why do companies prefer China over India?
 10. IoT and it's applications in agriculture
 11. Cyber Security
 12. Different types of digital threats? How to detect when some cyber attack has taken place.
 13. Talked about some alumni of BHU whom I was unaware of.
 14. Naga Accord and details on it.
 - 15 Hobby question about TED talks..Tell about some TED talks you have heard about.
- Related questions: Why indian entrepreneurs are unable to invent as much as someone as Mr.Musk.
- 16 Relationship between electronics industry and demonetisation.

36. Name: Triratna Chavhan

Panel: Manoj Soni sir

Afternoon session: first to go

Optional:pub ad

Btech(Extc)

Hobbies: F1,Vipasanna

Chairman: where do you live in Delhi?

So, don't you live in ***?

What drives you to stay in Delhi?

If you are okay to share with us, what kind of resources you get in Delhi?

Are they free?

So, is vipasanna your academic interest or you just practice it?

What you get from practising it?

How it will help you in administration?

If vipasanna teaches you to remain neutral to external stimulants then how will you react to corruption situation?

M1:

Tell me the names of three gems?

What is telecom policy of India?

What policy India follow to increase outreach in rural area?

Why you choose pub ad as optional?

Why critics say , 'why having mobile so much mobile devices when half of the country is poor?

What is 1g, 2g and other Gs?

What is bandwidth?

How call is get connected?

Explain in detail.

What you have done in hostel management committee.

What problem did you faced that time?

What experience you learned from this?

M2:

Which part in pub ad do you like?

What is motivation?

What is morale?

What is the difference between them?

How will you use health as a motivating factor in administration?

What is Rule of Law?

What is meant by Rule?

What is meant by Law?

Which one is supreme, Rule or law? Explain in detail. Then he went on for some time till chairman asked him to wind up.

So you say law is supreme , is it a case everywhere?

What is capital punishment?

How many rich got hanged till date?

See, law exist for poor only!

Reading my daf, interest part, you seems a versatile personality, how do you manage doing all this?

What are your service preferences?

Is being IAS officer privilege ?

M3:

So you are electronics engineer, why India didn't fared well in hardware manufacturing

while China did well?

Any government policy to increase hardware manufacturing ?

Name any semiconductor company you know in India?

Then he explained about Bangalore and ISRO.

What are disruptions in telecom sector we are witnessing?

Does any country use satellite communication for telecom sector?

Any private initiatives that plans to use satellite communication to provide telephone communication?

Recently , ex ISRO chairman got licence for new telecom technology, do you know about this?

As a Telecom secretary how will you promote telecom sector?

What services telephone service offer to rural area? He himself answered the question before me.(I don't know why?)

Will you increase spectrum charges to increase revenue of government or will prefer to increase subscriber base?

What role semiconductor plays in electronics?

What you designed in Robotics?

What is cyber security? What setup do India have to protect data of users?

Does your college had any department related to AI?

M4:

Why formula1 while many people don't know about it?

What are the percentage of driver winning from pole position?

Don't you think it's quite easy to win from pole position then what thrills it gives you ?

Who is current world champion?

Tell me what was the most difficult decision you had to make in your life?

Why it was difficult?

Tell me the two qualities that administrator should have?why

If I ask for one more?why?

Don't you think that there should be integrity? I smiled and said,"yes, that can be included too"

Chairman: Thank you, your interview is over.

Lasted nearly 35-40min

37. ANKKK, Sat

Over with my interview -

Manoj Soni Sir Board

Some questions asked on the name of Electrical Engg.

- 1- what is super critical technology
- 2 - efficiency of supercritical plants
- 3 - what does BHEL supply to thermal plants
- 4 - any other psu like BHEL which supplies generators
- 5 - do BHEL also design the generators
- 6 - difference between BHEL generators and jet engines

- 7 - what is ethanol
- 8 - how is it prepared

38. Lekhraj Mon

9/4/18

Morning first to go

Manoj soni board

Geography optional

Btech nit kkr

Nothing from daf or current..Everything was opinion based....

Chairman

[1.how](#) are u feeling

2.where do u stay

[3.how](#) is delhi's weather since last 3-4 days(it was raining in the morning)

4.climate change n Western disturbances

After that kept staring in my eyes for about 10-15 sec with very intense look...And I kept smiling more n more:joy::grin:

Member 1:

Wat u think about adhar?

Wat are the issues?

Where to approach in case of breach of data?

Ppl approaching supreme Court directly in case of fundamental rights..Why not they approach lower judiciary first...

Why pendance of cases..

Member 2(lady,always smiling)

Abut role of signals in railways

My internship at BSNL

Speciality of Rajasthan

Abut why to join services,why not private job

Abut my optional subject during 12th

Member 3(most of the time I cud differentiate when he is asking questions or telling story)

Digital era n artificial intelligence so everyone is putting data to computers and they are giving solutions(he stopped,I first waited a few second may be there will be question,but he was staring at me for answer)

Minerals in Rajasthan

Replacement of uranium

Member 4 (my fav)

Dokhlam issue..Was our stand justified..Sud we use military or even go to war if need be if China do any such thing in future.

Does leader play a major role in development or his team or the people or all of them.

Attributes of leader

Political militancy

Smart power

What will be ur focus area in ur district.

Give me 5 things u will undertake for development of a particular region.

Again chairman

Literacy rate in India

Literacy rate for female

Female literacy rate in haryana n Rajasthan.

I forgot some questions, the board was very nice, all were in very good mood with big smiles.

39. olympia Mon

2nd april

board : manoj soni

pub ad, IITB- civil engg, sports background, homestate - Rajasthan, job - in kashmir

ch.

1. why jaipur pink city
2. why only pink color
3. oil prices going up.... earlier low ...so what was benefit
4. import bill for crude oil
5. how we have used that money
6. jaipur leg - why name jaipur
7. who invented
8. jnnurm - components
9. what u doing these days

m1.

1. contribution of kalam in jaipur leg
2. data analytics
3. special category to states - criterion
4. its benefits

m2

1. what is waste
2. types of waste - specifics
3. solid waste management, plastic waste, chemical waste, bio medical
4. kashmir issue - your opinion
5. kashmiri peoples point of view
6. what schemes to integrate kashmiri people with india

m3

1. status of armwrestling in india
2. general info about armwrestling - techniques and all

3. why didnt u go for asian championship despite selection
4. why do associations take fee from candidates
5. india pak territorial issues
6. india china issues

m4

1. sagarmala project
2. bharatmala
3. how roads help economy
4. biggest civil engg company in bombay
5. current projects undertaken by it
6. kashmir - is it territorial issue or some other dimension

40. Vijay Dashrath Gaikwad

PANEL : Dr. manoj soni sir

hobby : 1 . meditation

2. visiting historical places

graduation ETC engg.

optional: History

- ch: 1. when you started reading about shri Guru Gobind Singhji
2: what was his special contribution of him ?
3: what are 5 Ks in sikhism ? and their singificance?

- M 1 : 1 . what is a co relation between caves of ajanta and ellora ?
2 . why diff religious , types of caves are there ?
3 . weren't they conflicting with each other ?
4. what is digital india(DI) campaign ? and its component ?
5. is there any relation between between Digital India and DeMonetisation ?
6 . will ATMs get fully eliminated in future ?

- M2 : 1. what sterps are neede for digital india ?
2 .what is govt policy about telecom sector in manufacturing ?
3. why india is lagging in its manufacturing ?
4. why china has greater manufacturing base than india ?
5. why big industries such as L&T , reliance , TATA are not investing in telecom manufacturing ?

- M3: 1. why western MH and konkan has more industries than Marathwada region ?
2 .what are good practices and bad practices done by people of western MH people regarding water ?
3. what are similarities and dissimilarities between marathwada and isreal ?
4. what steps would you take as DM to handle ongoing drought situation in a northern dist. of Karnataka
5 . what are water intensive crops ?

- M 4 : 1. About digital India what are core requirement

2. what about towers ?
3. why people are worried about it ?
- 4 . what will you do to convince people about tower and its radiation level within limit ?
- 5 . which govt agency look to radiation level

thank you so much Mahesh Bhagwat Sir for your guidance and ,guidance call .
Thankyou all mentors and thank you friends

41. Name- Kamble Ashit Namdev

Panel- Dr.Manoj Soni

Optional- History

Graduation- Mechanical Engg(2013,Pune)

District- Osmanabad

Hobby- Drawing Pencil Portraits.

CM- Where are you living now?(Pune)

But you are from Osmanabad district?

What are you doing since graduation?

Asked about data on irrigation in Maharashtra.

Solutions on irrigation in Osmanabad district(if you are DM of Osmanabad)?

3 major problems of Pune that you would like to concentrate on if you were Municipal Commissioner?

M1- Isn't illegal construction a problem in Pune?(I said yes)

Why?(I fumbled a bit. She was not satisfied with the answer)

Status of infrastructure in Pune?

Immigrants a threat to Pune?

Reasons for migration?

Who migrate mostly from your district?

M2- Have you heard of RUSA scheme?(he pronounced it like ROSA. So I said no. Then I asked did he mean RUSA? He said yes. I told the full form).

He asked something about devolution of funds in this scheme & linked this question with UGC's role. I said I don't know.

What is % of GDP spent on Education?

% of GDP spent on R&D=? Is it declining or increasing?

M3- Relationship of Maharashtra with Panipat battle?

Why Marathas defeated?

Why so many battles fought in Panipat?

Distance between Khyber pass & Panipat?(who knows? May be Babur.)

Any other major Battle fought in the region between Khyber pass & Panipat till 18th century?(Couldn't recall)

Did Indian powers resist against foreign invasion in this region?

Major challenges to India's internal security today?

Is Development deficit reason behind Naxalism?

Other reasons behind Naxalism?
Major development problems in India?

M4-Do you have interest in reading military history? (Because my optional is history)
Tell me solution on Kashmir problem then.
Should we adopt soft stance or hard stance towards Kashmir problem?
Which is the reason behind stone pelting in Kashmir-jobs or ideological or foreign hand?
What should be our policy towards Afghanistan? Should we send our military as Trump is asking for our direct involvement?
One very long question on modernization of military & size of military forces(I said I have not read much on this issue).

(Board was cordial. Especially lady member was always smiling. One member sitting very close to me was observing me constantly.No question on graduation subject & hobby. Ducked 7-8 questions.)

42. prashasth, Tue
Prashasth B.V
MBBS
ASSISTANT COMMANDANT
MANOJ SONI SIR

CHAIRMAN

Sir cordially welcomed me (but I hardly heard his voice ...yeah I booked a consultation with ENT specialist ;)))

Q.whats your logic behind Civils ...if personal we understand

Q.What were you doing from xyz year

Q.You joined crpf?

Q.will u join?

Q.convince us...your logic of civils services joining

M1.

[Q.you](#) are a good sportman...tell me difference between team games and individual games
Q lesson learnt from team games .

Q.I doubt you are a cricket

buff:stuck_out_tongue_closed_eyes::stuck_out_tongue_closed_eyes:(which I'm but didn't mention)

Q.tell me states bifurcated before Telangana

Q.Problems common to chattisgarh jharkhnad and. Telangana

Q.Why naxalism at all

Q.How will you deal with naxalism as S.P

M2.

Q.Potential of telemedicine

Q.metals used in medicine

Q.who is the new N.S.A of Us

Q.view on euthanasia

Q.counter questions

M2.

Q.what is adaptation

Q.tell me technical terms

Q.apply to public policy

Q.what are wicket/wicked problems (I thought I lost my wicket ..;).thank God he himself told ..and asked tell few examples:)

Q.what are complicated problems complex problems

Q.internal security challenges and external

Q.drug problem in India

Q.kashmir issue

Q.what changes u suggest

Q.Nhai average kms laid;)and COSTS PER KM(YES THIS IS THE QUESTION)

Q.policy implementation issue

M4.

Q.ncc and things u learnt

Q.view on minority reservation

Q.view on jat agitation (not reservation)

[Q.do](#) u think localised development model for minorities possible

Q.who is sports minister

Q.medal he won

Q.sports reforms

Q.u follow Commonwealth

Q.shooting medal

Finally chairman sir again

Thank you...your interview is over .THANK YOU .

Board is cordial in VOICE BUT for them every word matters .Every word.

Chairman sir..doesn't allow long answers

Best wishes:)

43. Ser CleganeTue

Chairman Manoj Soni Sir

Date. 10.04.2018

Optional History

Rajasthan, Worked in SBI, Now in CBITC, Meditation, Blood Donation camp

Ch. 1.tell something which is not in d daf

2. Tell ur 2 weaknesses

3. How r u going to work in administration with these two.

4. Why did u leave Sbi

M1. Why blood donation

2. How should I do i can organise one
3. Why Kota is education hub
4. U hv good build up Why didn't u join army

M2. Meditation - give 2 mins speech

2. Why did u started
3. when should ne do this?
4. What should we do yo use skills of veterens
5. Sbi is better or present?

M3. Lady member

1. One landmark event of Rajasthan history which u find most significant
2. One landmark event which u find shouldn't hv happened
3. Hv u seen Padmavat, why
4. Considering yourself as SP, How r u gonna protect if a theatre is showing this in ur district

M4. Most irritating

1. Niti aayog ranking of best n worst village
2. Parameters used for this ranking

A few questions I don't recall. Best wishes

44. Aditya, Tue

Optional-History

Teaching ,cricket

10april forenoon

3rd number ,Dr. Manoj soni

Chairman- cordial

- 1.Tell me about passive usthensia
2. Tell me procedure
3. Your opinion

Member 1-

1. Your leadership skill?
2. Obor view
3. Why china invest on bri!
4. Why india against
5. tool ???
6. tell me pak port name?
7. china kya chahta h, zindgi bhar china ke sth hi ldna h kya

M2-

- 1.Why ajanta ellora famous?
- 2.niti aayog backward or forward state?

3. What are the parameter
- 4 5 parameter good ,now tell me why only these why not other?? Direct bouncer
4. Higher education gdp ratio

M3-lady member , smiling & looking supportive

1. Do u face corruption?
2. Adult education & their initiative
- 3 what to do for improve quality education
4. From where r u? Where u live
5. What are you doing these days?
6. when u passed out
7. Northern indian southern indian history difference?
8. when northern india invaded & southern india flourish
9. Tell me post maurya age? Time batao
10. chola
11. rajput history? When arab came
12. Cher ,pandya chola? Kb se kb tak -totally factual

M4- most dangerous, looking like ab ni bakshana h tumhe :P

1. Why agriculture distress?
2. What to do in it
3. What to do in drug problem in punjab
4. what are initiative taken to improve job?
- 5 goal of skill ? Factual
6. Tell me roadmap which sector we focus?
7. Allied sector how?
8. why skill important?

Chairman- aapka interview over hua ,jaaiye ab aap

Comment- expression less board ,except lady member
Lots of factual question

45. Riddhi Parmar, Tue

M.tech electronics (specialization communication system)

Exp : Sr. Software engineer , Tahsildar

5th Apr

Board: Dr. Manoj Soni

CM: So you are engineer and opted for literature, how's your feeling with it? : Answered
What it meteorological department doing? Why better prediction coming up? : Answered
Can you give me more specific and technical details regarding it? – Said I don't know much.

Being engineer, ever you tried to find out about it? – answered

The Biggest crisis that Gujarat is facing right now? Answered (regarding water stress)

Why ? (with long question)

Follow up question about effect of water scarcity in Gujarat? – Answered

What is its impact on economy? – Answered

You are a collector of water scarce area and warning of draught has been issued that how will you tackle it? - Answered (focused on draught management along with economic activities sustenance)

M1 : What are issues with MNREGA ? – Answered

How can be tackled it? – Answered

What are statutory provisions with it. – Answered

What is petrochemical industry? (Many question regarding it. Gave answers for some and said I donot know just in hope to change the topic)

Historical importance of Gujarat ? Answered (stopped in between and changed question gave me only 3 mile stone events)

Do you heard about Somnath? – Answered

It was looted by? – Answered

Question regarding IPS profile. – Answered

M2 : I want to ask situation based question. Whether you wish to be collector or SP in itGave me number of options like revenue, general administarion , law and order etc and said to select. – I said for Law and order

Que: You are a collector , how you are going to handle riot? – Answer SOP

But SP is not cooperating you – Answered

Still not cooperating – answered

Yet he is stubborn - answered

Riddhi, he complaint against you and many other worst situation .. (It seems that he wanted me to quit saying you should also complaint against him . but I said sir, during such bad situation I would give priority to controlling riot, saving life and property and establishing peace, regarding personal issue or replying to such notice can be done later.)

Later few questions regarding police and petrochemical industry.

Few questions on GSAT, PSLV , Geo mapping , CSIR laboratory in Gujarat etc.

M3: What are new provision in interstate water dispute resolution ? - Answered

Any successful example where such dispute resolved? Answered

Why? Answered

Why can we do to solve such issue? Answered

What will you do if you are given chance to design policy? Answered

Industrial cluster of Gujarat? Answered

Regarding PM recent visit in some plant? - Don't know (He gave hint and later I was able to give answer)

Questions on desalinations. – Answered all

M4: Your Hobby is weird ? (Pencil sketch n weird?) who inspired you? - Answered

Who is your inspiration , outside from your family? - Answered

Do you heard about POCSO? - Answered

I think women should not allowed in police services , what are you thinking about it? - Answered

So, being a women , how you are going to interrogate a child POCSO? – I said – I don't know it.

Don't you visited or seen such interrogation? - I said sir, I don't and outsider is not allowed as per my knowledge.

What is difference between women police and man police in interrogation .. specially about rape victim ? - Again denied (Just want to end topic)

Follow up 1-2 question.

CM: Riddhi your interview is over. Wishing you very good luck .(2-3 line end note)

Overall , Majority of question related to Petro chemical industry (origine,issues , policies, new plant, raw material etc.) and police services. Very little from DAF and some question comes as bonus (mainly factual). Questions come as bouncer. Manoj Soni sir is expressionless but very attentive and gave smiles too. One member has expression like in mood of fighting while one is changing expression if he don't get expected answer so easy to predict counter question . One member was speaking very low volume and not at all audible. Last member was cool and happy all the time.

46. Chetan Ahir:

B.pharm

11 April

Afternoon

Second last to go

Dr Manoj soni board

Medium of interview:- Hindi

chairman:-You know any thing about GNFC?(gujarat narmada valley fertizer company limited)

Ans :- don't know

CH:- you resigned the job or dismissed?(I worked 15 month as junior pharma at PHC & resigned)

Ans:- resigned

Ch:- why?

(Sudden Electricity gone for 30-40 second...total darkness in room...even i cant see face of my nearby member & vice versa...but I & chairman continuedmood mar gaya tha...isme ye huva...)

Ans:- to prepare fully for civil service

Ch:- do u believe gujarat developed more in last decade?

Ans:-yes

Ch:- any bad consequence of development in gujarat?

Ans:- no

Ch:-what are bad effects of development?

Ans:- environment, inequality

Ch:-& in gujarat?

Ans:- not more bad effect

Ch:- what is the main aim of writing literature ?

Ans:- NIJANAND & social impact

Ch:- name one writer who is not writing for nijanand

Ans:- munshi

Ch:- confirm?

Ans:-yes

Ch:- Narmad s aim?

Ans:- nijanand & gujarati language development

Ch:- & about reform?(sudharo)

Ans:- yes sir

Ch:- was Gandhi Ji writer?

Ans:- yes sir

Ch:- aim?(nijanand or social?)

Ans: social (samaj ko Sahitya se satya ka sandesh dena)

Ch:-have you read any literature book which is not in your syllabus?

Ans:- no

Ch:- I think u r not much interested in gujarati literature except your upsc syllabus

Ans:- yes sir...sirf upsc k liye hi liya he..kafi interest nahi he

Ch:-ohhhhhh.....

M1

Q:- what is use of pharmacy in administration ?

Ans:- diagnose, treat , cure methodology can be used in administrative issues too.

Q:- your interest in?

Ans:- eating(my hobby written in daf is DIARY WRITING)-(all laughed)

Q:- you cook?

Ans:- no

Q:- kis kis state Ki items khai?

Ans:- gujarat se pehli baar hi bahar nikala hu...muje gujarati Khane ka shokh he..

Q:-name some items

Ans:- gathiya, fafada, jalebi, dhokala, khaman, khandavi(chairman interpted...bus karo aab mere muh me Pani Aa jayega)

M2

Q:- what is statin/atorvastatin(name of drug)

Ans:- no idea

Q:::- what is global warming?

Ans:- answered

Q:-what are its effects

Ans:- answered

Q:- what is green house gas?

Ans:- answered

M3

Q:- function of navy?(first elaborated some thing & then question)

Ans:- answers basic....but not satisfactory

Q:- navy's role in anti piracy

Ans:- not answered

Q:- mission sent to moon, march, sun worthy???some critique said waste of money

Ans:- me sahmat nahi..stifan hawking ne kaha he hame 200-300 salo me pruthvi chhodani padegi...& many more...

Q:- what is aim of science?

Ans;- manav Samaj ka bhala karana

M4

Q:- Explain the chain of drug supply from PHC to upper level

Ans:- answered...some bluff...kyuki quetion was not formated well...

Chairman

(gujarat development k bad effect par vapis aye)

Q:- any other effect of development in gujarat....like....kisiko matru bhumi chhodani pade, apani sanskruti ko tyagna pade, rehabilitate karana pade....aisa bharat ya Gujarat me hua?

Ans:- yes..sardar sarovar & all

Q:- gujarat SARKAR ne solution kiya?

Ans;0:- yes...achhi tarah se kiya...explained...

Q: do u know detail of this sheme?

Ans:- no....

Thank u your interview is over...

Note:- some questions discussed more...but not elaborated here....like..antipiracy, gujarat development bad effect, sardar sarovar dam,supply chain.....etc....

Approx time:- 40 minutes....

Some question may be misses

47. Vishvadeepsinh Gohil

B.Tech CE, Gujarati literature.

Forenoon, 11th April 2018.

Dr. Manoj Soni Board

First one to go...

Ch

1. Shreemaan, aap kaunsi bhasha me interview dena pasand karenge?
2. Gujarat is a Coastal state how long its coastline is?
3. What are the three benefits and three disadvantages of being a coastal state?
4. Explain coastal led development (as I said it is an advantage)
5. What is literature?
6. Can I consider newspaper as literature?
7. Why do we need to study literature? how it helps in understanding the society?

M1

1. Should we promote MSMEs or Large Industries?
2. What is the difference between our SMEs and German SMEs
3. What we can learn from them?
4. Give classification of our SMEs
5. Why we are lagging in skill sector?
6. What Govt is doing for the Skill Sector?

7. What are the Targets?
8. Has it been lowered recently? Why?
9. What are the problems??

M2 lady member

1. Have you heard of san jose?
2. Why silicon valley established there?
3. Where in India we have our Silicon valley? Reasons?
4. Why Civil Services now?
5. How long IAS will serve as DM and in the field?
6. What are the other prospects of diversity of the job?
7. Is the supremacy of IAS in the bureaucracy is the reason?
8. You watch TV series where do you watch?

M3

1. Tell me one thing why defence manufacturing is important as a part of make in india??
5 points only no explanation..
2. What is our defence budget as a % of GDP?
3. What do you think it should be?
4. Where do we stand in terms of spending on defence budget?
5. Tell me what is green budget and some innovative ways you would like to promote as an administrator?
6. Why there is fog in delhi? Reasons
7. What should be done?

M4

1. Do you know where is salt desalination plant is located in gujarat?
2. How to promote ICT in the Education?
3. Do you know about the fully ICT enabled university in India?
4. What was your graduation Project?
5. Where did you go for internship was it a big company?
6. Why our students are not Innovative?
7. What are the effects of global warming?
8. What were you doing since 2014?

Ch

1. Congratulations on your selection as Asst. Commissioner Now tell me you have given all the 24 service preference, would you reconsider it?
2. If you are selected in ICLS will you join it?

Thank you your Interview is over.