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**Hobby: Cooking and reading about blockchaib**

**Chairman:** Read our my name and pronounced incorrectly

Me: Politely corrected her

**Chairman:** You are from Uttarakhand?

Me: No Ma'am, born in Uttarakhand but from Uttar Pradesh

**Chairman:** Read aloud my qualification, experience and hobbies to other members

Me: Kept nodding and smiling

**Chairman:** Why do you want to be an IAS

Me: Answered but ma'am wasn't satisfied

**Chairman:** You are earning very well, why IAS?

Me: Anecdote from personal life but ma'am still looked unsatisfied

**Chairman:** Why civils? You are in a good place in your life

Me: Answered with a personal anecdote. She seemed pleased

**Chairman:** Why do you like cooking

Me: Told what got me cooking and why I like cooking

**Chairman:** Where all can blockchain be used

Me: Answered

**Chairman:** Can Aadhar data be secured using blockchain?

Me: Answered with technical details

**Chairman:** Is there any possibility of data loss in Blockchain?

Me: Explained possible scenarios

**Chairman:** Is there any way to hack someone's password for Bitcoin wallet? There was a news a week back about a man dying along with his password

Me: Tried to answer

**Chairman:** Is there a possibility of losing data (All members talked among themselves about the poor chap who died)

Me: Sorry ma'am, I need to research more on this possibility

**M4:** How will we get to know the output of your research?

All laughed. I smiled.

**M1:** tell me your opinion on three things: Reservation, skill training and compulsory military training

Me: Answered

**M1:** So you think it should be done?

Me: Yes sir, it is needed. Then talked about reservation

**M1:** What should be the limit? 50%?

Me: I said 50% ensures equality and elaborated. Was cut short

**M1:** Military training?

Me: Answered

**M2:** Name some national parks in Uttarakhand

Me: Answered

**M2:** Sampling methods for tiger populations count

Me: Explained

**M2:** Two very well known birds that are threatened?

Me: Answered

**M2:** Why Vulture populations dwindling?

Me: Answered

**M2:** Methods to restore avian populations

Me: Tried to answer. When prodded for more, apologised and said I don't know

**M2:** Why India so far behind in Textiles production

Me: Answered

**M2:** what are your service preferences

Me: listed till no. 6

**M2:** Let's assume IFS as first. What is Brexit?

Me: Answered

**M2:** Will Theresa May Govt fall on this

Me: No Sir because..cut short

**M3 (Lady member):** Invasive species

Me: Answered

**M3:** Why women not educated and employed. challenges?

Me: <Activist woke up> Told some real life challenges seen first hand

**M3:** What can be done?

Me: Still harped on some issues and options

**M3:** but even educated people are against women venturing out sometimes

Me: Talked more

**M4:** Sexual harassment opinion?

Me: spoke of issues

**M4:** Need for self defence training

Me: spoke in favour

**M4:** What about me too

Me: Spoke favour and against

**M4:** what about men who are being harassed. They need a National Commission for men

Me: Spoke against the need for such a commission

**M4:** final question. has Ganga been cleaned

Me: Both sides of the story and did not take a final decision on this

Everyone smiled

Sathyavathy Ma'am told me the interview was over

I thanked them, time wished them and came out

## **2. Name: ABHILASH V T**

**Chairman:**

- What is Additional Skill Acquisition Programme(i work with them)
- What is its utility?
- Has it delivered the goods?
- Why the low number of job placements?
- Is it part of Skill India Programme?

**M2:**

- Since your preference is IFS , what do you think about Indian foreign policies trajectory over the past 2-3 years?
- Will you substantiate your answer?
- What kind of a foreign policy would you prefer for India( in terms of india's international relations)
- How will we make relations with Pakistan better?
- Do you think the opinion of Pakistani public will make an impact on Pak state policy.

**M3:**

- First question was from my Btech background.
- What is the impact of US withdrawal from INF on India and China.
- Do you think Americas claims of Russia violating INF conditions is true given American allegations regarding iraq.
- What is the scope of Additional Skill Acquisition Programme.
- How can you expand its scope?
- Why did u take up an administrative position after completing Btech.
- How does your organization picks the courses you offer to your students.

**M4:**

- What do you know about NSQF?
- How can we improve our skilling programmes?
- How will we put a stop to the corporate- bank nexus , which has led to huge NPA problem?
- How do we reduce the burden of NPA?
- What do you know about India's space programmes in the coming 2-3 years?

**The panel was cordial in general. I think it lasted for around 30 mnts.**

**3. Optional – Management**

**Home State – MP**

**DOI – 5th March 2019**

**Education – B.Tech, MBA**

**Hobbies – Singing, Fitness**

**Duration : 30 – 32 mins**

**GENERAL OBSERVATIONS**

- Chariman was attentive throughout, checked her watch towards the end
- All members were smiling and acknowledging answers

**Chairman:**

- Showing my passport photograph – Is this you ?
- Reading out DAF to other members – he has done this .. then this .. belongs to this place. After all of this why do you wish to join civil services ?
- But isn't the bureaucracy a failure in our country. IN 75 years, we still have almost 30% people poor in the country. What do you think?
- Okay. But what about health and education – we are very poor in those sectors.
- So what do you think about lateral entry in civil services ?
- So what should we do then ?
- You have worked in CRISIL. How was the work there ?
- Okay which verticals ?
- Great. But you didn't tell me how was the work – did you like it ?

**M1:**

- So , Govt has done many reforms in its term – what are some of the big reforms that the Govt has done in the last 5 years in terms of Indian economy, what issues are still pending and what is the way forward ? Take your time and answer.
- Are you forgetting a big reform related to the twin balance sheet problem that you mentioned ? Something related to the banks ?
- No something else ?
- What about the IBC Code ?
- Okay good. You were in a rock band. What do you do ?
- Oh you are a poet also ? Do you write poetry ?
- Can you recount a couplet from whatever you have written ?

**M2:**

- So you have done computer science engineering. Recently Government launched the Electronics policy – what are its key positives ?
- What are the other provisions regarding (forgot what he asked)
- Okay, no worries. But if you had to suggest improvements to the electronics industry as a whole. What would you suggest ?
- What can the government do for that ?
- Okay. So these NRIs, they are not investing in the country – they have so much wealth that they accumulate – but why are they not investing ?

**M3:**

- may I know your service preferences ?
- I want to understand why all of you people are putting IAS at the top and IFS lower ? Humare time pe toh everyone wanted to join IFS. What is the reason ?
- Okay. Lets say you get the Postal Service – will you join ?
- You will join? Sure ?
- (not wanting to hear the reason) Okay tell the reason
- Accha lets talk about this India Pakistan, Pulwama, WC Abhinandan. How do you see Imran Khan's stature in the world right now? Has it improved in terms of his face value ?
- but theyre saying he should get a Nobel Peace Prize. What do you think?
- So Kashmir. What is the issue how can we solve the problem?

**M4:** (thick accent difficult to comprehend)

- Why is agriculture struggling in the country ?
- What about inequality. You must have heard about the inequality index in the world where we have highest number of wealthy people in the world.
- Don't you think that's also an issue ?
- Should agriculture be given industry status ?
- But are you aware that Govt accorded industry status to Agriculture once in the past ?
- Okay. You spoke about agricultural distress earlier. Why is agriculture distressed ?
- (said something which I don't remember)

**Chairman:** Okay. Thank you.

**4. 7 March, 2019**

**Afternoon session.**

**Relevant info: schooling in jalandhar, BE ECE from PEC, chandigarh, organised blood donation camp in college.**

**Chairman:**

- Blood donation camp, your role, organ donation, laws related to organ donation, Green corridor? What else disease are screened for in the donated blood? Do they tell it to the donor?

**M1:**

- (first he asked me whether I am comfortable with economics as I didn't have any background in it) Changes in budget process which happened in last 2-3 years, what's fiscal policy, what's monetary policy, total capital held by the rbi, what's monetary policy committee. What's the tussle between govt and rbi? Can rbi dictate to the government? 2-3 question I can't remember.

**M2:**

- what's special about chandigarh, who designed it? Internet of things? what's jalandhar known for? Universal donor, universal recipient, what does positive and negative in blood signify (rh factor)? What is Internet of things?

**M3:**

- (a little grumpy) GPS working? How does it tells us route? If you were DM in a poor district what will be your priority? Why education? Why do people keep demanding from the govt? why can't they do anything? Don't they have any duty towards the country? What duties we have in the constitution? Name a few of them.

**M4:**

- what would happen if the pregnant mother and baby would have conflicting rh factor? Effect on baby? Effect on mother? Animal whose heart is closest to human. Transplanted in human as well. (pig, didn't know). The doctor who performed 1000 heart surgeries, what's his name. (At this point ma'am intervened that she's not from medical background.) a few question I don't remember.

**Observation: board was cordial, ma'am was smiling and supporting throughout.**

**5. March 7, 2019**

**3rd to go**

**Chairman:**

- Scra. Why did you leave?
- What do you think, did you make the right decision?

- How do you find IITB better?
- Currics, co currics vs extra currics?
- What did you do in extra currics?
- SC decision on ayodhya, rafale today? Relate ayodhya to sabrimala decision? Isn't there dichotomy?
- What do you think should be done about Ayodhya- a verdict or mediation? Why?

**M1:**

- OIC
- Should we have done that?
- But what about the adverse statement then?
- UAE, Saudi and Pak. Can we pressurise them to act against Pak. Why or why not?
- Football formations?
- Diamond formation?
- Which formation do you like and why?

**M2:**

- Are you comfortable with economy?
- GDP? India's Gdp growth
- fiscal deficit? What is the current value?
- Debt to gdp ratio?-- i forgot!
- India has a demographic dividend, to prevent it from becoming disaster we should....?
- Why youth comes out in numbers in any protest nowadays? Is there a deeper malaise?

**M3:**

- Latest news in football: Ajax beating Madrid
- Prohibition? On alcohol ? Ur views?
- Where has it been done? Has it brought any benefit?
- Why others are not doing it?
- What about cigarettes, they are more dangerous, doctors even prescribe alcohol in some cases? Why are we not banning cigarettes?
- Asked if I stayed in Bihar for long? 10 days
- Did you travel to Munger?

**M4:**

- NAM is defunct. Comment. Who were the leading nations?
- What is India's foreign policy in this regard?
- Assam deaths due to liquor? Was it govt failure?
- Some Assam related Q. I did not know.
- Is India federal democracy or union democracy?

**6. Gayatri H:**

**6th March**

**Morning, last to go**

**IT engg, 4 years work exp.**

**Mumbai**

**Chairman:** read aloud my DAF..

- So why did late realisation to come into civil services?
- If not selected will you go back to IT?
- What about this gap for civils and changing technology in industry, how can you manage?
- What is your service preference?
- What if you don't get MH cadre?
- Are you ready to serve in Nagaland?
- Tell me what you know about north east?
- Why less development in north east?
- What is the current scenario? is there any changes?

**M1:**

- what is literary fiction? (hobby related)
- Tell me some authors names in this
- Why Arvind Adiga, Arundhati Roy get so much popularity even though they write in such a bad picture abt India?
- Haven't you read any classics by Charles Dickens and few other names..?
- As you are from Mumbai, what is your view on India's response on 26/11 terror attack? Should India have gone for the same response like in Pulwama?
- ( a long question on Pakistan not being named as terrorist country by any nation in the world...)
- don't you think it is failure of India's foreign policy?
- As India has shown the proof of F-16 use by Pakistan, should USA stop giving it to Pak?

**M2:**

- Continuing from north east, why all infrastructure devt on Brahmaputra river only?
- As you are from IT, how to incorporate 5G, do we need it?
- During 26/11 and even during recent India-Pak tensions, what do you think of media's behavior?
- Would they be ready for any regulation on them?

**M3:**

- only one situation based question...a long case study, at the end, whom will you remove from the work in your power, the one who is very corrupt or the one who is senior to him and not doing anything and following minister's orders only? Some discussion over this as his view point did not match with mine.

**M4:**

- What is peace index?
- Which neighborhood country of India is peaceful in present context?
- Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh with these countries, what are the problem for India?
- What do you think about migrant problem in North east because of countries?
- What is the population of migrants in Assam? in West Bengal?



- Is it a good thing to give citizenship rights to only Hindu minorities of these countries? what are the implications?
- Do you know any chief minister of North east state who is migrant?

**Chairman:** Thank you and all the best

**Nothing from Optional.**

## **7. Afternoon**

### **IRS C&IT**

**Chairman:**

- Why IRS IT?
- Suppose if we remove direct taxes what will happen?

**M1:**

- Where would you like to work in IPS?
- Why crisis at top level? CBI issue

**M2:**

- One question I don't remember
- judicial reforms and pendency.

**M3:**

- If gst council passes a resolution can parliament change it?

**M4:**

- US govt shutdown?
- US President vis a vis Indian p.m? Veto power. Can it happen in India?
- What is sedition law?

**Cordial board 12-15 mins**