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## GENERAL STUDIES

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Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 250

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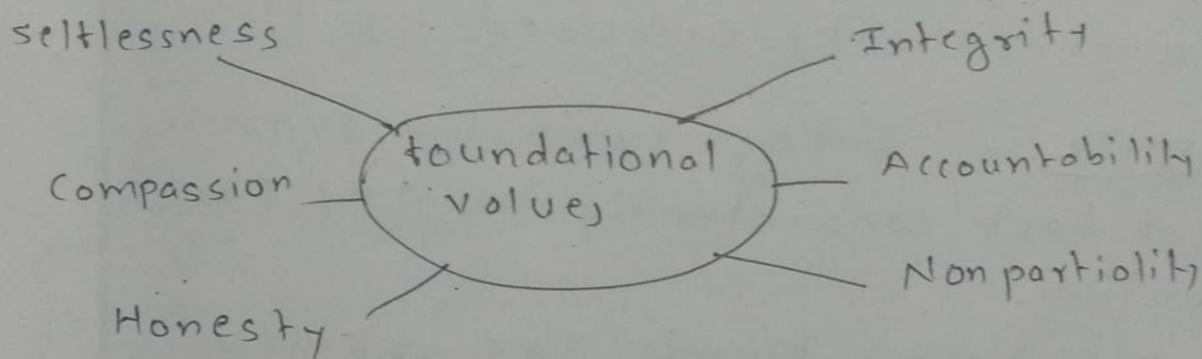
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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

PART - A

Q.1) a) What do you understand by foundational values of Civil Services? Why are they said to be foundational in nature? Which two values of Civil Services in your opinion are of paramount importance? Explain with examples. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Foundational values of civil services are values on which the civil service is build.



Due Their nature defines nature of the civil services, hence they are known as the boundational values.

In my opinion integrity and accountability are of paramount importance.

Accountability - Accountability act of responsibility towards an action. As civil servan posses lot



of power, accountability becomes important.

eg. In a satellite launch Abdul Kalam was a project director. However due to some reason launch failed. In that situation ISRO director Satish Dhawan took responsibility of failure. It was accountability exercised by him

Integrity - Integrity is performing moral task consistently in any possible situation.

eg. Tukaram Munde, IAS officer of Maharashtra cadre showed integrity towards acting against illegal things even he was frequently transferred.

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b) How can we use "social influence" and "persuasion" to contribute to the success of "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Abhiyan"?  
(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Beti Bachao - Beti Padhao Abhiyan is a scheme of government of India to save girl child and educate them.

\* Role of social influence

Like used in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan social influence can contribute to success of the scheme.

It can help to change mindset of people about girls. Girls are seen as burden but by education we can convert them to asset.

Social media, media, print media, Panchayat meeting can be used to convey this message.

Through various boards & advertisements ~~girls~~ people's mindset can be changed.

Teachers, social reformers, important personalities can be



used to convey message.

\* Persuasion

People can either be persuaded by forcebully or by using social influence.

Penalty for crime against women, female infanticide can be used to persuade people.

On other hand social incentive based persuasion schemes can also be used. Incentives for girls education is provided it is also part of the persuasion.

Without development of girls a developed India can not be imagined thus success of Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao becomes important.

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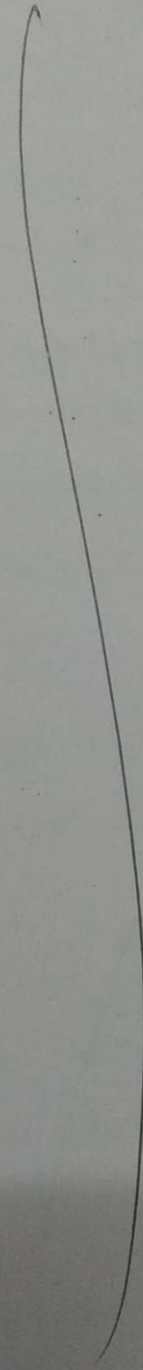
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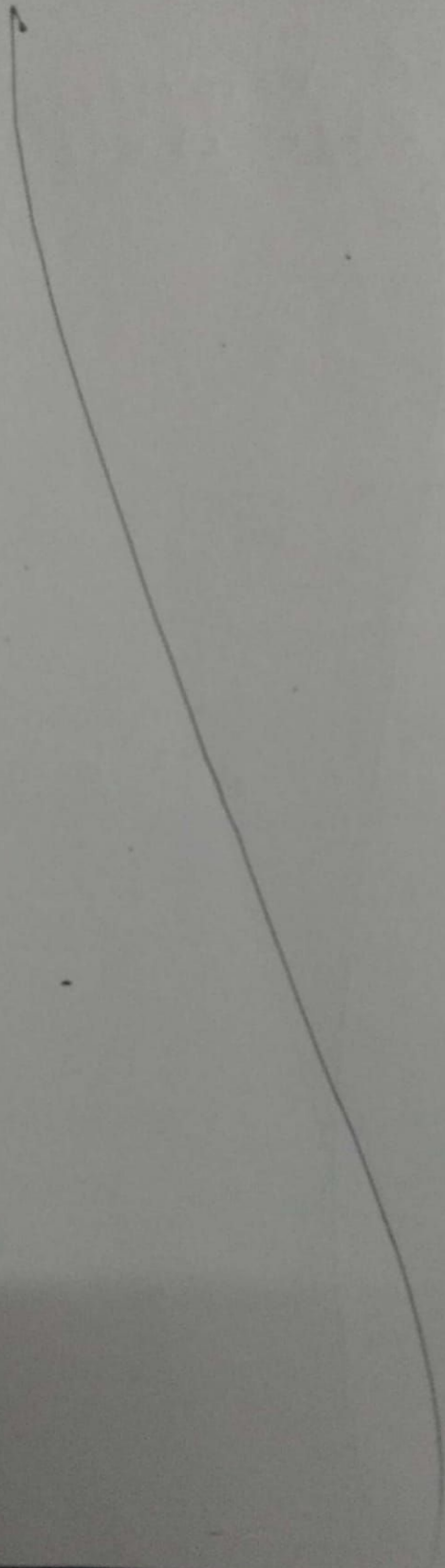
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Q.2) a) What is virtue ethics? How can a civil servant apply it to tackle day to day problems in public life? (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Virtue are good characteristics  
of the person. When ethic







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b) Compare and contrast Ethical egoism and Ethical Altruism. Substantiate your answer with relevant examples. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Ethical egoism advocate actions which are best suited for oneself only. On other hand ~~at~~ ethical altruism advocates actions which are good for the society.

In ethical egoism one only thinks about himself

eg. In a riot like situation I will save my life first without caring about others.

However in ~~at~~ ethical altruism one thinks about everyone else than himself.

eg. In a riot like situation I will try to save every possible life without caring about my life.

Ethical egoism is relevant character of a common mans life while ethical altruism is a



Characteristic of life of social reformers or sadhus.

However both this concept can not be used in absolute manner in the real life. One has to keep balance between the both ethical altruism and ethical egoism.

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2.3) a) "Man needs his difficulties because they are necessary to enjoy success". Comment.  
(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Success is achievement of thing we wanted. We achieve success in most of the cases only after hard work.

If success is not achieved without facing difficulties or without hard work it may not be able to sustain in long run.

eg. with help of reference someone gets job even if he was not capable.

Temporary he may be successful but due to his incapability he will fail in the long run.

On the other hand if after two years of hard work & facing difficulties I cleared UPSC exam, I will always cherish my success remembering those beautiful moments of hardwork & difficulties.



∴ Thus a man needs his difficulties because they are necessary to enjoy his success.

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What do you understand by the term "positive attitude". What are the identifying traits of persons with a positive attitude? How can we inculcate such attitudes?

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Positive attitude is a way of forming opinion about something in a positive manner.

eg. favouring democracy.

★ Traits of person with positive attitude

- ① He is liberal.
- ② He is tollerant
- ③ He is compassionate
- ④ He is imon of integrity
- ⑤ He is peace loving
- ⑥ He is lovable.
- ⑦ He is rational
- ⑧ He is honest.

★ How to inculcate positive attitude?

- ① Family is birst place to inculcate such values & positive attitude.
- ② The group of friend we make influences our attitude



- ③ Teacher our idols helps to inculcate ~~this~~ positive attitude.
- ④ Social media, movies, books, etc help to spread positive attitude.
- ⑤ Important personalities of the society & society as a whole help to inculcate positive attitude.

Inculcating values & positive attitude is a life long and a continuous process.

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4) a) What do you understand by empathy? Is it always in congruence with rationality and objectivity? Examine. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Empathy is act of feeling other pain and situation in which she is. It is like wearing someone other shoe.

eg. When ~~was~~ my friend failed in UPSC prelims I felt his pain and even I was crying.

### \* Empathy & rationality

When we think rationally we can able to put ourself in someone others situation.

eg. When my friend failed in UPSC prelims. I was rationally able to understand possible consequences and hence was able to felt his pain.

When one does not think rationally he may not able to put oneself in someone else situation.

On some case given above



If I was not rational I may not have able to feel his actual pain

However this does not prove that empathy is always in congruence with rationality.

Sometime being rational make us being ruthless & non compassionate in such case we may not able to feel someone's else pain.

Relation between empathy and rationality is complex one and it changes according to the situation.

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"You don't teach morals, ethics, empathy and kindness in the schools. You teach that at home, children learn by example". Discuss the statement with suitable examples.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Morals, ethics, empathy, kindness are acquired over the time various actors play role in it.

When my father used to pay school fee of some children I learned from him kindness.

Once, I stole money from my mother's pocket. When she caught me she gave a good lecture on morality to me. On that onward I never touched things of others.

Similarly my grandfather's love for streetdog showed me example of empathy.

Hence our parents plays important role in shaping moral, ethics, empathy kindness etc in our life.

However we can-not ignore role of school in teaching morals and ethics.



In India many families are illiterate, and poor. Who are unable to teach their children about moral, ethics, etc.

In such cases school plays important role. eg. Ansar Shaikh ~~was~~ IAS of 2016 of job based all type of unethical things at home. But it was its school which shaped his personality.

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2.5) Envy is a negative emotion that eats a man from within. An envious person is filled with bitterness.  
Q) How does envy differ from jealousy? Also discuss how it impacts one's behaviour and handling interpersonal relations.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Envy is feeling of happiness in others failure and feeling of sadness in others success.

On other hand jealousy is a relative concept. Thing which we can not possess or thing which we are missing can make us jealous.

Envy makes a person jealous, revengeful, depressed, sad & always demotivated.

\* Role of Envy in handling interpersonal relation

① When I have envy about someone, I would never able to establish cordial relations with him.

② When we envy about someone we always see him/her with the doubts



- ③ We would always try to pull a person back, thus waste our time as well as his
- ④ Neither he will be happy to help us neither we would be happy to help him.

Thus envy is a negative characteristic of a successful man and thus should be strictly avoided

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