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Q. No.	Max. Marks	Marks Obtained	<p>1. Please do furnish Name, Email, Roll No and Mobile in the answer sheet.</p> <p>2. There are TWELVE questions printed in ENGLISH, all questions are compulsory.</p> <p>3. The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.</p> <p>4. Answers must be written in the medium authorized in the admission Certificate, which must be stated clearly on the cover of this Question-Cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided.</p> <p>5. Word limit in questions, if specified, should be adhered to. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-Cum Answer Booklet must be clearly Struck off.</p> <p><i>Any specific messages for ForumIAS Mentors/Evaluators with respect to your copy? Write it here.</i></p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p> <p>-----</p>	
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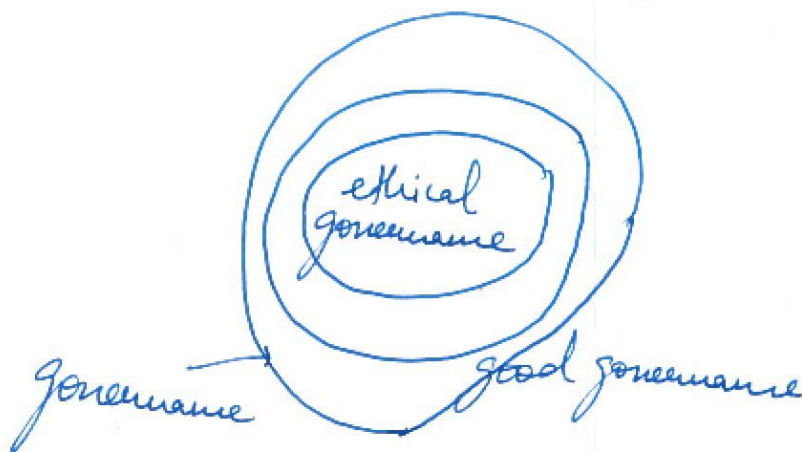
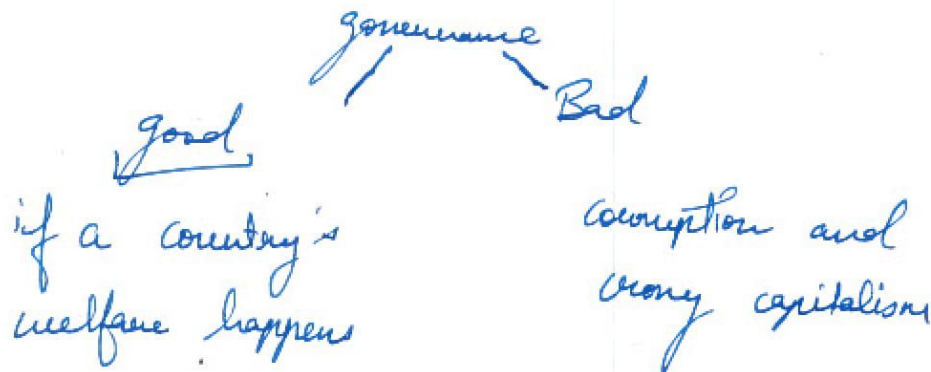


PART - A

Q.1) a) What do you understand by "good" in good governance? Is good governance always ethical governance? Analyse. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

good governance is the manner in which a countries resources are utilised for development.

governance by itself is a value neutral term



Ethical governance is when the value system of all the stakeholders is congruent, and it leads to public welfare

Raj → Swraj → Swaraj
 governance → good governance → ethical governance
 regulation → self regulation

Thus ethical governance is good governance + self regulation.

If the Gandhian ideal of Swaraj is to be attained, we would have to move from governance to ethical governance.

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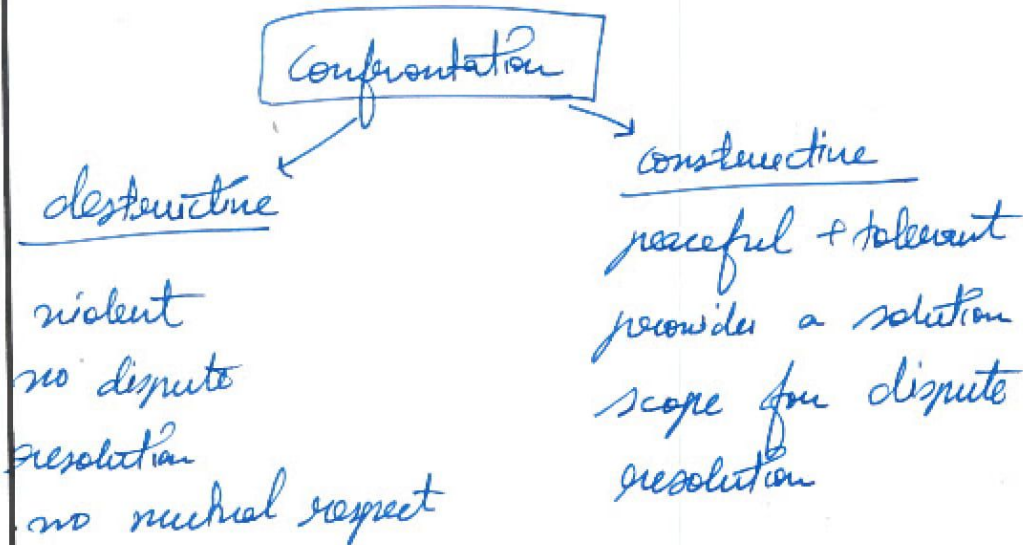
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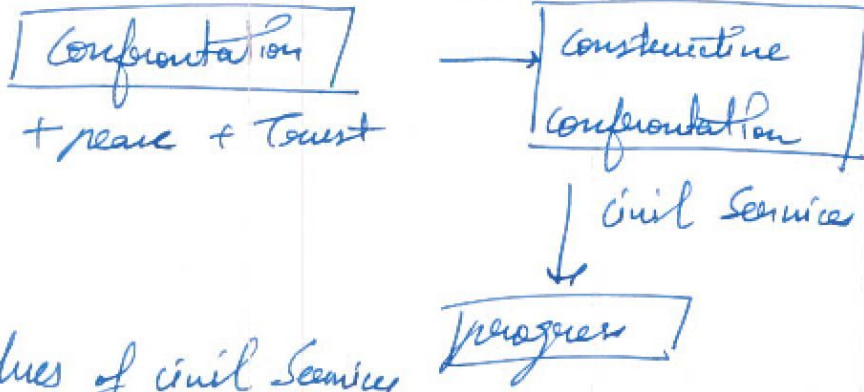
b) What is constructive confrontation? Can there be progress without confrontation? Discuss the importance of Civil service values in resolving the same.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Confrontation means to raise our disagreements in public with those who disagree with us.



Confrontation is necessary for progress. Hegel has said history moves due to contradictions. Confrontations are the result of such contradiction hence promote progress.



Values of Civil Services

- ① Professionalism and merit to objectively test the confrontation
- ② Arbitration for conflict resolution
- ③ Impartiality and neutrality
- ④ Accountability and transparency
- ⑤ Protection of minority rights and welfare of marginalised for
Sak ha Saath Sak ha Vikas

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Q.2) a) "Self-restraint is the very keystone of the ethics of vow-taking. What do you understand by this statement in the present-day scenario? Explain. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

vow-taking is a promise on a contract for certain ends.

Restraints & Regulations

external

needs objective
criteria

external body to
enforce it

limited application

material punishment

internal
"self regulation"

subjective criteria

internal compass that
guides us

wider application

moral & emotional
punishment.

Present Day

① It is said that ethics begin where
law ends

② complex & dynamic life, where laws
are not adequate

③ eg. currently there is no data protection law in India.

Self-restraint is the best way forward for companies in India.

④ laws are not adequate, they need to be complemented by ethical behaviour and spirit of public service.

⑤ Contracts cannot contain every possible scenario, and hence self-restraint.
eg. at the time of independence, the leaders were very popular, yet they exercised self-restraint and promoted democracy.

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b) "To become a man of integrity, being honest towards yourself is the very beginning."
What do you understand by this statement? Explain your stand with illustrations from your personal life. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Honesty means to tell the truth, no matter how hard it is.

Integrity means consistent display of ethical behaviour across situation and people.

Thus, honesty is must to have integrity. We cannot be dishonest and claim to have integrity.

Integrity also means to understand oneself, which requires critical analysis and reasoning. It needs facts and data. All of the above need honesty.

Not acting according to one's values and morals causes guilt.

and dissonance. To prevent it, one can change their action on their values and morals. This is difficult and painful.

These individuals attempt to justify their actions via ratification.

This is being dishonest to yourself.

eg. breaking the traffic light because no one is watching.

Thus for integrity and ethical behaviours, this false justification must be stopped and honesty should prevail.

I would follow the traffic light as it is the right thing to do for my safety and others safety.

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Q.3) a) Discuss the Public Services Management Code as recommended by the 2nd Administrative Reforms Commission.
(10 Marks, 150 Words)

2nd ARC has proposed many reforms to promote good governance.

Public Service Management Code

① Management of Human Resources is essential in any organisation.

② Recruitment: The role of UPSC is to be respected, at the same time, it should reform to reflect the new challenges of the economy.

② Promotion: 360° assessment in transparent manner, and prefer merit over seniority.

③ Training: multiple training as per requirement of the administration.

- ④ career oriented path and not post based approach
- ⑤ lateral entry to bring new blood
- ⑥ Promote gender parity and representation
- ⑦ Postings and transfers by an independent civil services board.

Thus if the recommendations of the 2nd ARC are recommended, it will create an effective and efficient bureaucracy in line with Reform

Performance and Transfer policy of the government

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b) Discuss the ethical dimensions of international aid with examples.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

International aid is a monetary aid or goods given by one country to the other for its development



Ethical issues

- ① Conditions on the use of aid to promote domestic companies and increase market share
- ② Selfish purpose and not altruistic in nature
- ③ Promotes status quo, and hinders structural reforms in the receiving countries
- ④ promotes poverty and environmental degradation

eg. American food aid in PL480 program compromised foreign policy of India towards Vietnam War.

After 2004 Tsunami, India has rejected aid, and promotes FDI.

India is in favour of South-South cooperation via Technical and economic cooperation and not aid.

In the present neo-liberal world, countries promote trade rather than aid.

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Q.4) a) The fundamental question in Public services is "Who will guard the guardians?". Analyze in the context of accountability of civil servants for good governance.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Public Services are the ~~steel~~ steel frame of India and guardian of public welfare.

To protect the civil Services, there are constitutional provisions and legal provisions under Article 310, 311, 312.

It provides security of tenure, meritocratic career and post-retirement benefits.

Accountability

Critics say it reduces accountability

Accountability → Answerability
to provide justification on action and decision

Accountability → punishment
on violation of laws and rules

governance $\xrightarrow{\text{accountability}}$ good governance

The security of tenure prevents a "committed bureaucracy" and ensures accountability to the masses

meritocratic career prevents spoils system

Post-retirement prevents corruption.

Thus there needs to be a balance in accountability and protection while ensuring welfare is maximised.

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b) Explain the importance of political neutrality for civil servants. Discuss in light of increased political alignment shown by bureaucrats. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

Civil Services are a part of the permanent executives. They are responsible to the people through the elected representatives in a democracy.

Thus they need to be politically neutral

① Political parties and ideologies may change, Civil Services are permanent

② Emerson decisions are taken on objective grounds and not populist on ideological grounds.

③ Prevents a spoils system based on patronage.

④ Promote trust of politicians and public, as it is an office of trust

⑤ Reduces corruption and increases welfare.

Political alignment

- ① Moral corruption
- ② Hurts the governance and welfare of the people.
- ③ against merit → foundation of civil services.
- ④ continuity of services is disrupted after elections.

Thus neutrality and impartiality are foundational values of civil services and need to be protected.

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Q.5) a) "Moderation in temper is always a virtue; but moderation in principle is always a vice." - Thomas Paine- What do you understand by the statement? Explain giving examples.

(10 Marks, 150 Words)

Moderation in temper means to control your anger and emotions. It means to take decision with a calm mind based on reason and not emotion.

Moderation in principles is compromising ones principles. It could mean providing gratification to action not in line with ones values and morals.

It is always good to control your anger. Pakistan caused the Pelwama terrorist attack. India controlled her temper, and avenged after 10 days with proper planning and resources in Balakot.

Pakistan retaliated in 24 hours without planning and lost an F-16 jet.

Similibly, on principles Gandhi ji recalled the non-cooperation movement after Chauri-Chaura violence. He was criticised for this, yet he did not compromise with his principles.

Thus, we should control our temper, and never compromise with our values and principles.

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