

Test Code: 31036

FIAS - 2020 - GS Paper 4

ForumIAS

ACADEMY

GENERAL STUDIES

Name Of Candidate: PANDU WILSON

Email Id:

Roll No.: 5102238

Mobile No.:

Date: 11/11/2020

Time Allowed: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 250

INDEX TABLE			INSTRUCTION	
Q. No.	Max. Marks	Marks Obtained		
1			1. Please do filling Name, Email, Roll No. and Mobile in the answer sheet.	
2			2. There are <u>TWELVE</u> questions printed in ENGLISH, all questions are compulsory.	
3			3. The number of marks carried by a question/part is indicated against it.	
4			4. Answers must be written in the medium authorized in the admission Card/Booklet, which must be stated clearly on the cover of the Question-Cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided.	
5			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.	
6			6. Any specific messages for ForumIAS Mentors/Embassadors with respect to your copy? Write it here.	
7				
8				
9				
10				
11				
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20				
21				
22				
23				
24				
25				
26				
27				
28				
29				
30				
31				
32				
33				
34				
35				
36				
37				
38				
39				
40				
41				
42				
43				
44				
45				
46				
47				
48				
49				
50				
51				
52				
53				
54				
55				
56				
57				
58				
59				
60				
61				
62				
63				
64				
65				
66				
67				
68				
69				
70				
71				
72				
73				
74				
75				
76				
77				
78				
79				
80				
81				
82				
83				
84				
85				
86				
87				
88				
89				
90				
91				
92				
93				
94				
95				
96				
97				
98				
99				
100				
101				
102				
103				
104				
105				
106				
107				
108				
109				
110				
111				
112				
113				
114				
115				
116				
117				
118				
119				
120				
121				
122				
123				
124				
125				
126				
127				
128				
129				
130				
131				
132				
133				
134				
135				
136				
137				
138				
139				
140				
141				
142				
143				
144				
145				
146				
147				
148				
149				
150				
151				
152				
153				
154				
155				
156				
157				
158				
159				
160				
161				
162				
163				
164				
165				
166				
167				
168				
169				
170				
171				
172				
173				
174				
175				
176				
177				
178				
179				
180				
181				
182				
183				
184				
185				
186				
187				
188				
189				
190				
191				
192				
193				
194				
195				
196				
197				
198				
199				
200				
201				
202				
203				
204				
205				
206				
207				
208				
209				
210				
211				
212				
213				
214				
215				
216				
217				
218				
219				
220				
221				
222				
223				
224				
225				
226				
227				
228				
229				
230				
231				
232				
233				
234				
235				
236				
237				
238				
239				
240				
241				
242				
243				
244				
245				
246				
247				
248				
249				
250				
251				
252				
253				
254				
255				
256				
257				
258				
259				
260				
261				
262				
263				
264				
265				
266				
267				
268				
269				
270				
271				
272				
273				
274				
275				
276				
277				
278				
279				
280				
281				
282				
283				
284				
285				
286				
287				
288				
289				
290				
291				
292				
293				
294				
295				
296				
297				
298				
299				
300				
301				
302				
303				
304				
305				
306				
307				
308				
309				
310				
311				
312				
313				
314				
315				
316				
317				
318				
319				
320				
321				
322				
323				
324				
325				
326				
327				
328				
329				
330				
331				
332				
333				
334				
335				
336				
337				
338				
339				
340				
341				
342				
343				
344				
345				
346				
347				
348				
349				
350				
351				
352				
353				
354				
355				
356				
357				
358				
359				
360				
361				
362				
363				
364				
365				
366				
367				
368				
369				
370				
371				
372				
373				
374				
375				
376				
377				
378				
379				
380				
381				
382				
383				
384				
385				
386				
387				
388				
389				
390				
391				
392				
393				
394				
395				
396				
397				
398				
399				
400				
401				
402				
403				
404				
405				
406				
407				
408				
409				
410				
411				
412				
413				
414				
415				
416				
417				
418				
419			</	

66055_31036_1910047204_(2020-11-21 07:54:55)

Parameters	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Average	Poor	Very Poor
Language						
Structure						
Presentation						
Handwriting						
Content						
Attempt						

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

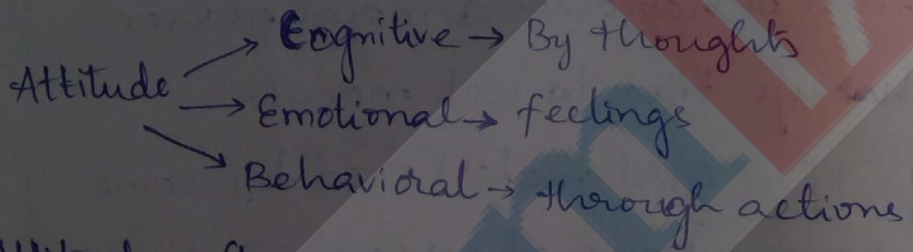
2020 © F rum/AS | All rights reserved



Section - A

Q.1) a) What is Attitude? How does Attitude influence our thoughts and behaviour? Explain giving examples. (10 marks, 150 words)

Attitude is a tendency of a person to analyse a situation or a thing with some degree of favours and disfavours.



Attitude influencing thoughts:

1. Positive attitude make a person more optimistic.
Eg: Coming of COVID vaccine & ending of pandemic in near future
2. An empathetic person thinks about miseries of poor people.
Eg: Myself think how to remove poverty to large number of people.

ForumIAS

Attitude on Behaviour:

1. Explicit person always find happiness in outside. & easily become social. Implicit person may not mingle with all.
2. Ethical behaviour: A moral person always tried to act moral.
eg: If a girl molested by some goons, a moral person rescue her.

Attitude can be changed through motivation. Positive & moral attitude can be nurtured.

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

b) Identify various ethical issues related to genetic manipulation of human DNA. What is India's stand on DNA manipulation technologies? What is your opinion on the ethicality of human DNA manipulation? (10 marks, 150 words)

a Altering the genetic strands of DNA & RNA with suitable genes to get desired outcomes is called genetic manipulation. Recently a Chinese doctor claimed DNA manipulation of foetus.

India's stand on DNA manipulation:

1. Recently drafted bill permits DNA alteration for curing ailments through somatic cell therapy.
2. Not permitted for creating the desired results of babies.
3. There should be a central repository and all such ~~rea~~ genetic manipulations stored safely.

ForumIAS

My opinion on ethicality :

1. Developing science & technology always be used for greater good not for personal benefits.
2. Gene editing for curing cancer & other genetic disorders ~~is~~ should be permitted.
3. It may cause inequalities in society if the technology use for creating desired qualities of babies.
4. With pure materialistic view ethical and moral values will erode.

Technology should be taken with pinch of salt. Government regulation is need of hour

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	



Q.2) a) Why do you think despite rising education and awareness, crime against women is rising and becoming more gruesome day by day? What steps can be taken to bring about an attitude change in public towards women?
(10 marks, 150 words)

As per National crime records beased data, there is constant increase in ~~eee~~ crime against women every year.

Reasons for increasing Crimes:

1. Objectifying women
2. Use of social media, @ & other technologies.
3. Pornography especially child pornography.
4. Creating hype in media about such incidents.
5. Patriarchal mind set.
6. Increase in women population at work place.
7. Social campaigns like #MeToo

ForumIAS

Steps to be taken :

1. Banning on endorsements which involves objectifying of women
2. Giving equal opportunity from childhood onwards. Creating an impression of ~~is~~ both boy and girl child are equal ~~is~~
3. Healthy competition in education and career.
4. Equal respect if women occupies a highest position in management.
5. ~~is~~ Removing stereotypic images such as women should do daily chores etc.

As Gandhiji said "women have equal capacity & capability same as men". Promoting this type of attitude brings change in society

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

b) "A country that demands moral perfection in its foreign policy will achieve neither perfection nor security" n Henry Kissinger. Do you agree with this view point? Discuss various contemporary ethical issues involved in (international relations and utility of moral principles in international affairs. (10 marks, 150 words)

Int. Moral principles in international issues involves mutual cooperation & respecting boundaries and cultures.

But majority of world countries are selfish in their foreign policy. Always tries for their own country benefit. Hence from the given statement one may not achieve moral perfection.

For example prime minister last year invited chinese counterpart to Mamallapuram to share common interests through informal summit.

With in few months china occupied and made aggressive steps along boarder. This shows

moral perfection may not be achieved and can lead to security of nation.

On the contrary people to people relation may be used as best tool to achieve moral perfection. ~~Foreign~~ International funding on grounds of compassion also improves morality.

I will not completely agree with the statement as diplomatic relations always try for balancing, & mutual interests

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

Q.3) a) In the context of rising corporate frauds, evaluate the relevance of Mahatma Gandhi's concept of trusteeship.
(10 marks, 150 words)

Mahatma Gandhi's trusteeship describes not to be attached to wealth and other materialistic things but to act as a manager of a trust for public welfare. It is contrary to Karl Marx view of abolishing private property.

Relevance of Gandhiji's trusteeship :

1. Corporations ~~do~~ always have profit as their motive, but in trusteeship also consider greater good of public.
2. In the case of Nirav Modi if employees of PNB acted in prudent manner, ~~the~~ fraud may not happen.
3. Trusteeship model ~~answer~~ corporates answerable to not only shareholders

ForumIAS

but also to common public. Hence they act in more transparent manner

4. In trusteeship model no need for oblig to make CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) compulsory. It become obligatory.

5. In axis bank fraud if Mr. Ranakapoor taken decision with view of whole economy that may not happened

Gandhiji's concept of trusteeship is more relevant as person will not solely take decisions and avoid frauds

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

b) "Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things." In light of this statement, explain the difference in role of leaders and managers. Why is leadership quality important in a civil servant? Discuss with example. (10 marks, 150 words)

Manager is a professional with motive of completing task. ~~maximising~~ in hand. Leader also consider many factors to improve efficiency & provide constant motivation

Manager	Leader
1. Treats team members as subordinates	1. Treat other members equally
2. Not responsible for team actions	2. Takes responsibility of team action
3. Constant support may not present	3. Constant motivation
4. Commands & give punishments	4. Cooperate & supports

Public servant as leader:

1. A He/she should look after many departments. Constant Support needed.
 2. Subordinates expect motivation from their leaders.
 3. Eg: Mr. Modi Sweeping roads as part of Swatch Bharat
 4. In Police may lead anti naxal operations.
 5. In Revenue service lead as in sides on financial criminab.
- As a multidisciplinary ~~roles~~ roles a public servant should have leadership qualities

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

Q.4) a) Examine the relevance of the following in the context of civil services:
(10 Marks, 150 Words)

1. Bureaucratic anonymity
2. Emotional intelligence
3. Courage of conviction
4. Selflessness

1. Bureaucratic anonymity:

In democracy main rulers are people and representatives elected by them. Bureaucrats mainly to help them to take decisions & day to day administration.

It is important to become anonymous to avoid ~~public~~ media attention.

2. Emotional Intelligence:

Public servants mainly deals with people & listen to them in various issues. Important to follow law of land same time & consider people grievances.

Eq: ~~First step~~ In disasters people feel helpless.

ForumIAS

3. Courage of Conviction:

As a civil servant one should be responsible for their actions and decisions.

Eg: If some funds allocated to certain development project. civil servant should accept whether result positive or negative.

4. Selflessness:

Public interest should be given more priority than personal interest.

Eg: ① Avoiding favours to kith & kin
② Avoiding conflict of interest while dealing with tenders & contracts

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

b) Dharma is a unique concept in Indian philosophy which encompasses all the ideas of western philosophical schools. Discuss. Also, explain what dharma means to you? (10 marks, 150 words)

Dharma in Indian philosophy broad concept involves moral, ethical values and also certain guidelines in ethical dilemmas.

Indian Dharma:

1. It is from Niti Sastra describes about one's duty, ~~on a paper~~
2. It describes way of living through various ashrams; (stages of life)
3. Described through stories & narratives.
4. Endorsement on Ahimsa, paramo Dharma (Non-violence is the best policy).
5. Same time in Geetha lord Krishna says fought for the justice.

My views on Dharma:

1. It means bound to one's duty irrespective of results or consequences.
2. Following prescribed laws and regulations.
3. we should not fear of any thing if we follow rules with absolute integrity

Dharma concept is very fluid in nature & changes with context to context

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

Q.5) Given below are quotations of moral thinkers/ philosophers/psychologists. For each of these, bring out what it means to you (in the present context.)

a) "Truth can be stated in a thousand different ways, yet each one can be true." -
Vivekanand (10 marks, 150 words)

Truth which is universally acceptable & treated as universal value.

In his quote Vivekananda laid about various religious principles teaches humanity in different ways. But their main aim is same.

His guru ^(teacher) Ramakrishna also said in similar lines.

Hindu takes water from well call it JAL
Muslim takes water call it PANI
Christian ~~takes water~~ call it as WATER

But final objective is same.

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

Call us: 011-49878625, 9821711605
Blog : blog.forumias.com

Visit us : www.forumias.com
Email : helpdesk@forumias.academy

b) "Integrity without knowledge is weak and useless, but knowledge without integrity is dangerous and dreadful." (10 marks, 150 words)

Integrity means not only being honest but also following ethical and moral principles.

Integrity may be financial, personal or professional. It should be collaborated with knowledge otherwise it is not useful.

Eg: A security guard should not allow outsiders into a bungalow. But if he do the same with important person for owner it seems useless & cause loss of job.

On the other hand a knowledgeable person without integrity is very dangerous to society.

Eg: A banker with special knowledge in accounts may

ForumIAS

manipulate easily & cause loss to bank for personal gain, if he lacks integrity.

Knowledge and integrity should be supplementary to each other for more efficiency & greater good of society.

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

Q.6) a) What is Righteousness. Why is morality and conscience important for a civil servant? (10 marks, 150 words)

Righteousness is a virtue of being rightful to one's action, thoughts and words.

A righteous person takes decision which suits for public welfare.

~~base~~

Morality: Following moral standards such as honesty, faithfulness, integrity etc.,

Conscience: Inner voice of a person which demarcates what is wrong and right.

Morality & Conscience for 'civil servant:

1. Decisions affect large number of people hence should apply conscience & moral principles.
2. They deal with large number of people & politicians. morality

and conscience avoids conflict of interest:

3. Also d. helpful in managing public & private relations. ¶

¶ Morality & conscience are greater virtues a public servant should adopt.

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

b) What do you understand by probity in governance? In what ways does probity ensure public's trust in administration? (10 marks, 150 words)

Following moral and ethical standards in governance is called probity in governance.

Probity is very important quality for dynamic changes in present day administration.

Probity for public trust:

1. Transparency: Disclosing government decisions, providing data in public domain improves transparency.
2. Accountability: Public servant accountable to one's actions & improves trust in society.
3. Integrity: People observe others integrity also improves get trust in them.
Eg: Abdulkalam given task of nuclear

testing with his quality of integrity

4. Justice: Providing equal justice to every one with out any partiality

Improves trust.

Eg ~~Supremacy~~

Probity in governance is

Sine-qua-non to inculcate trust in the society.

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

c) Examine various issues related to utilization of public resources. Also discuss the role of ethics in resolving these issues. (10 marks, 150 words)

Utilization of public resources involves providing basic facilities, infrastructure & various socio-economic goals.

Issues in utilization:

1. Delay in releasing funds
2. Various modes of transfer
3. Top down approach
4. Lapsable funds leads rush in appropriation
5. Collusive ~~and~~ Corruption
6. ~~can~~ Departments working in silos.

Role of ethics:

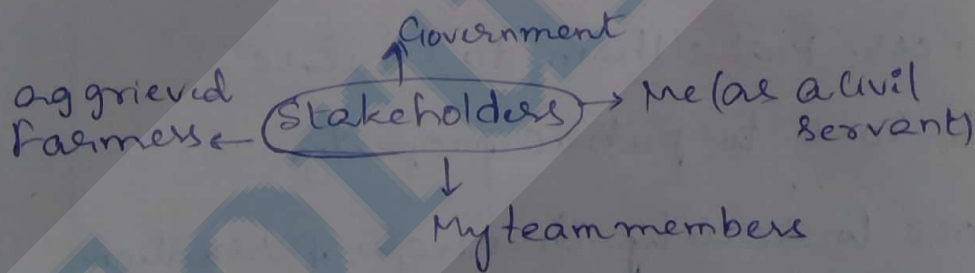
1. Bound to ~~the~~ one's duty.
2. Not using public resource for personal interest
 Eg: M. Visweswaraya used to maintain two candles. at that time

Section - B

Q.7) You are civil servant who is allocated the task of maintenance of law and order in an area affected by farm bills protests. The local farmers in the area are seeding with anger against the introduction and passage of the three farm bills by the government and have staged mass protests which led to a law and order situation in the area. When your team reaches the affected area, the people there heckle and even assault some of your team members, resulting in severe injury to one of them. Fearing threat to their lives, other team members appeal you to call off the operations.

- a) How will you respond in such a situation?
 b) Which qualities in a civil servant will help in effective management of such a crisis?
 (20 marks, 250 words)

Local farmers in the area are protesting against farm bills. Peaceful protests is permissible but know the situation became a law and order problem.



(a) Response to the Situation:

Since one of my team member got severely injured as a leader we safety of my team is my responsibility. I will provide

ForumIAS

him medical attention. But cannot call off operation because of threat posed by farmers.

It is general tendency of feel like helpless when some one is in distress but I will make my team understand about the issue.

I will talk to the representative or farm leader about their grievances. Make them to realise about loss to public property and loss to society through persuasion methods.

Take the help of local politician to ~~and~~ control the situation. Clearly explains the provisions of farm bills, and

address their apprehensions. Since majority of farmers are illiterate, make them understand about farm bills through media such as newspapers, dramas etc.

(b) Qualities of civil servant help in management of issue.

1. Integrity: Integrity towards service will make a person bound to his duty irrespective of obstacles like threat posed by farmers physically.
2. Leadership: A true leader supports his team also make sure task should be completed.
3. Empathy: Since farmers illiterate and not able to understand new farm bills. Empathy make sure to understand their situation.

ForumIAS

Compassion: This quality describe to act or suffer along with those are in distress.

Emotional intelligence: This quality helps to understand emotions of fairness in this situation.

A civil servant ~~also~~ always bound to his duty as per rules at the same time he has to address the grievances of public.

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

Q.8) You are a police officer recently posted as an ACP, in the city of Bangalore. A global pandemic has spread across the world. The pandemic has been traced to China. In the aftermath of this information, there has been an unprecedented surge in acts of racial discrimination against people with East Asian and Mongoloid facial features. The brunt of this is being borne by several Indian citizens hailing from North East India with cases ranging from social media campaigns, cyber bullying to physical heckling and abuse.

In your city, there has been a recent attack on a group of people hailing from Assam in a local vegetable market. This has resulted in massive protests and roadblock by people from the North East.

There is fear among the people with rumours of violence. As a result, many North East students have already started to rush back to their homes amid the double whammy of racially motivated crimes and pandemic spread. The situation has the potential to fuel a mass exodus of people, amidst the pandemic. Under such a situation, answer the following.

- What do you understand by the term 'prejudice' and 'stereotype'? What are the reasons behind them?
- Analyze the situation at hand. As a police officer, what strategy will you adopt to prevent the situation from escalating?
- What long term measures are needed to fight problem of racial discrimination.

(20 marks, 250 words)

a) Prejudice: It means judging whole group of people or community based on a single person or single act.

stereotype: It is a preconceived notion that is continuing in the society. For eg: A woman should be quiet & confined to home chores.

Reasons behind them

- ① Societal norms: Societies cultures & practices based on these prejudices
 - ② ethical & moral values: Some of these values based on these stereotypes
 - ③ Lack of knowledge
 - ④ Lack of tolerance towards other cultures
- ⑤ Such type of discrimination become law and order issue and may lead to larger destruction almost all groups of such north east people facing threat like employees students & normal residents.

strategy to adopt to prevent escalation

First I will provide protection to those are already facing any physical assault. Since some of people stopped traffic. So next priority will be ~~no~~ giving assurance to those people in protest & make clearance.

Since it is a pandemic situation large movement of people such as students will cause spread of disease. I will make them to stay and continue their education.

③ Long term measures:

Since India is a diversified country and place to many races. Make sure people to

develop tolerance towards all & other people. Including those minorities from north-east in policy making. Conducting campaigning through social media about equality and unity.

Providing equal opportunities to those people & in local representation and gated communities. Forming a separate cooperative society to discuss their grievances.

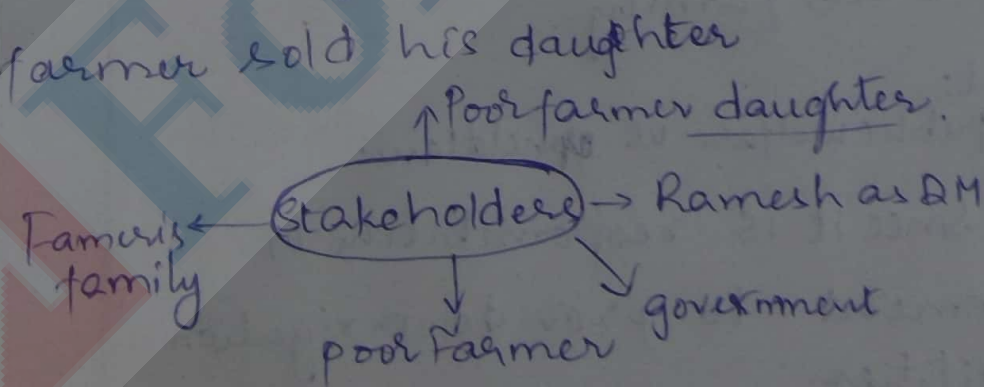
Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

Q.9) Ramesh has been posted as the DM of one of the poorest and most drought prone district of India. A newspaper prints a story of a poor man who was forced to sell his daughter for five thousand rupees. Ramesh starts an investigation in the story and finds that the story is correct. He directs the police to lodge a formal FIR. Ramesh summons that family and enquires why they sold their daughter. The poor father tells him that due to repeated crop failures they were on the verge of starvation and he sold off his daughter to ensure the survival of the other children. Had they not sold her off, the entire family including that girl would have died of starvation. The father tells Ramesh that with the little cash, which he got by selling his daughter, he can restart agriculture on the small piece of land that he owns to ensure bright future for his other children. Now if Ramesh takes a strong action against the father, then the entire cycle will be repeated i.e., the land will remain fallow, money will be used for fighting the court case and the family may be forced to sell another child. Ramesh also has a daughter and he is unable to understand what he should do in this situation.

- a) What are various ethical issues involved in the case from the perspective of various stakeholders?
- b) Evaluate different options available with Ramesh. If you were in Ramesh's position, what would you have done? (20 marks, 250 words)

In India agriculture mainly depend on rainfall. Many drought prone areas farmers suffering repeated crop failures. In this case study similar situation, a



Ethical issues:

1. ~~Ramesh~~: ~~Public duty~~ ^{Legality}
Ramesh: Public duty vs ~~empathy~~: Since it is not fault of farmer for repeated crop failures but selling his daughter is a criminal offence.

2. Poor farmer:
Saving life vs Dignity of women:
 Since it is life and death situation for farmer and his family he did ~~not~~ ~~have~~ ~~another~~ ~~option~~ this criminal act to save his family.

3. Government:
~~Pro~~ Public welfare vs upheld law:
 Since it is responsibility of government to provide irrigation facilities

(b) Options available Ramesh :

1. Follow the law and make him arrest: This ensure criminal act committed by farmer will be punished. Girl will be saved.

But this may through their family into misery

2. Leave the issue if there is no complaint :

But this issue largely covered in media. It is morally and ethically wrong.

I will suggest the first option. As a civil servant or DM Ramesh should follow the law and make sure the will be released. Other party should

also be punished for buying a women for money. As constitution prohibits slavery and trafficking.

Also make sure for their family basic facilities provided through available schemes and proper education to their children. In the long run convey the government to provide irrigation facilities.

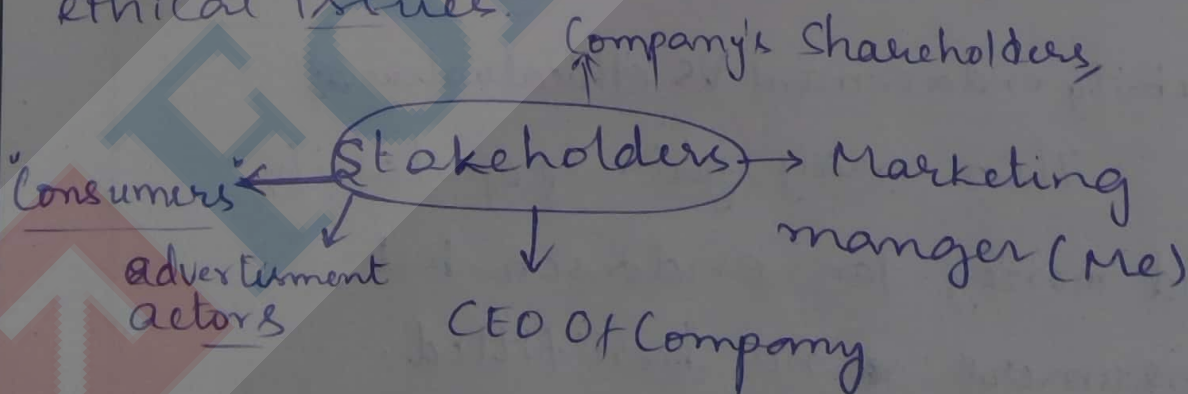
Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

Q.10) You have been appointed as the marketing manager of a big pharmaceutical company. The company is going to launch a new slimming drug. Your team has designed an advertisement for the drug showing unrealistic body transformation in a very short amount of time. You know that the shown body transformation from fat to fit is not possible by this drug. You are not happy with the advertisement but the CEO of the company likes it. When you discuss this issue with the CEO, he tells you such advertisement is necessary for selling of this drug. You are still unsatisfied.

- Identify different ethical issues involved in the case.
- What are the different options that are available with you? Evaluate each of these options. Also suggest most suitable course of action. (20 marks, 250 words)

Marketing manager can encourage advertisements ~~be~~ as they will be ~~useful~~ for increasing in sales. But those should not be unrealistic. In this situation on of such endorsement creating ethical issues.



a) Ethical issues involved:

Business ethics Vs Profits: As a corporate company profits are main aim but those are ~~compromising~~ ^{securing} on false announcements.

Individual career Vs Public welfare:

Opposition to this advertisement may harm my career growth but at the same time, public should be shared with true data and clear information.

Celebrity endorsement Vs ethical values

This may gain popularity and money for endorser but consumers are not benefitted.

(b) Options available :

1. Persuading CEO & other staff: Once again I will talk to them on the issue and convey them about technical & legal issues.

~~They~~ may accept or reject my proposal. This may also create a negative impact on career.

2. Talk to the endorser: If they agree not to act in advertisement then this may stop.

3. Become a whistle blower:

If management & CEO not agreed on the issue this may be the last resort to prevent fake endorsement. This may impact negative image about me in society. I have to face legal issues.

Suitable course of action will be
 * explaining legal issues such as
 consumer protection act details to
 higher management & make them
 drop the plan. If they do not agree
 as a moral person I will leave
 the company search for other
 job opportunity

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

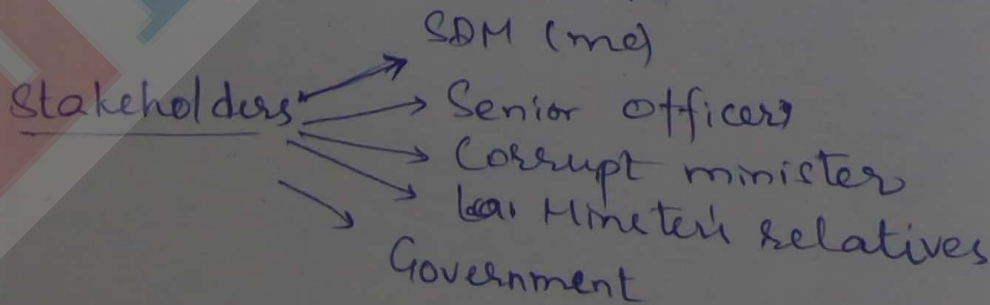
Call us : 011-49878625, 9821711605
 Blog : blog.forumias.com

Visit us : www.forumias.com
 Email : helpdesk@forumias.academy

Q.11) After clearing the prestigious civil services examination, you have been posted as the SDM in one of the districts in northern India. Government has announced plotting and auctioning of land for development of real estate projects and you have been made responsible for the same. Land lies in the outskirts of the district. A new highway project is also under consideration for construction which will pass near the area suggested for development of real estate project. But the information regarding the highway project is confidential and not available in the public domain. When land is auctioned a large number of plots are bought by the relatives of a minister from the area. You suspect that the minister has leaked the information regarding road construction to his relatives. You discuss the matter with your senior. He tells you that it is a common case and you should not interfere in this case. He advises you that if you interfere in this matter the minister can ruin your career and can also cause your personal harm.

- a) Identify different ethical issues involved in the case.
- b) What are different options available with you and what will you do in such circumstance? Justify your course of action. (20 marks, 250 words)

In this case study ~~problem~~
 as an SDM I have been given responsible for a real estate project development. Since it is a ~~can~~ should fair and just while auctioning that government ~~sh~~ get benefit. But action by minister revealed ~~as~~ the project loss to public exchequer.



a) Ethical issues involved:

1. As a responsible minister he/she should follow code of conduct prescribed. should not reveal official data for personal profits.
2. Senior officer also supporting minister, so resulting collusive corruption. results in office of profit which is legally punishable.
3. Career growth Vs public duty : As a responsible civil servant I should follow rules and regulation but this case may hamper my career growth

(b) Options available :

1. Not interfering as Senior suggested:

Merits: My career will not hamper.

Demerits: ~~Major~~ Gross violation of ethical and moral values

→ ~~Case~~ Have to face Criminal prosecution if the ~~issue~~ got revealed ^{corruption.}

2. Talk to Secretary level officers:

Merits:

→ ~~As~~ As a ~~res~~ project head my duty will be fulfilled

→ Honest bidders will get land

→ ~~Public~~ Government get profits

Demerits:

→ Minister may transfer to another location

My Course of action:

After taking advise from higher Officials & prevent those persons

who are relatives of ministers.
 Made the project into public domain,
 and creating a fresh action
 for real estate plots.

Following rules & regulations
 should not hamper my career. If
 any misallegations done by minister
 in future courts and laws will
 support me as I acted based on
rules.

Feedback (For OFFICE use only)

Structure		Content	
Question Interpretation		Total :	

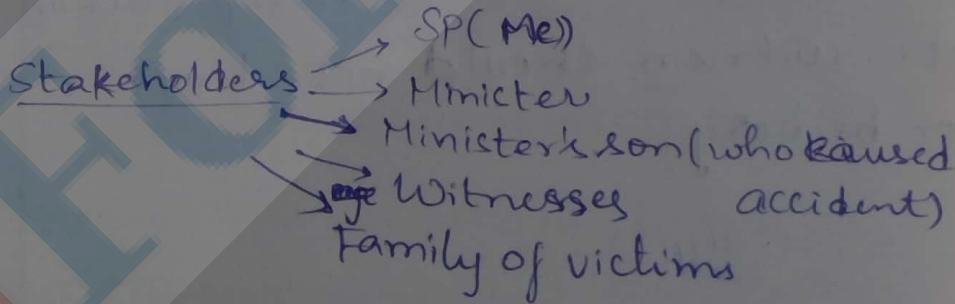
Forum IAS

Q.12) You are an SP in a district. In your district a road accident took place recently, where a car has crushed and killed three people who were sleeping on the footpath. The driver of the car is absconding since the time of the accident. Upon investigations, the investigators were told by some witnesses that the car was driven by the son of a local minister. On further investigation, it was found that the son of minister was returning from a party and he may have been drunk. The next day, driver of the minister comes forward, takes the responsibility of the accident and surrenders before the police. The witnesses changed their statements and are now claiming that they could not identify the driver. The whole situation is making you sceptical about the confession and you suspect that witnesses have been tempted or threatened to change their statement. As the investigation is progressing, political pressure to shut down the investigation is also increasing.

- a) Identify different ethical issues involved in the case.
- b) What would be your course of action? Justify.

(20 marks, 250 words)

Road accidents in India causing yearly 1.5 lakh deaths. In this people are not only driving but other people on road get affected. In this case one of such incident, a drunken person killed three footpath people.



(a) Ethical issues involved:

1. As an SP it is my duty to uphold the law of land protect the innocent and punish the criminal

But as witnesses claiming minister's son caused accident. As a public servant I must follow witness original statement this leads to justice vs public duty.

2. Politician want to save his criminal son from punishment but as a responsible public representative it is ethically morally wrong.
3. Threatening witnesses attracts punishment under witness protection act. witness should not tempt for bribery.

b) Course of action:

I will talk to witness and give him assurance of protection if he is threatened. & make him realise if he not cooperates or changes his statement may get punishment as per law.

I also refer any CCTV footage recorded the incident then with proper evidences I will arrest the real criminal and submit to the court.

Eligible compensation for victims & thier family given.
Address the problem of living in footpaths in long term & also awalenen about drunk & drive incidents.

Mentor Feedback Questions

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Test Goal

- 1
- 2
- 3

Outcomes

-
-
-

Marking Scheme

Mark	Good	Average	Below average
10 Marker	3.75 – 5.0	3.0 – 3.5	< 3.0
15 Marker	5.75 – 7.0	4.0 – 5.5	< 4.0
✓	Key / Relevant Point		
✗	Vague / Irrelevant		

* Subject to change without prior notice.