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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS





Section - A

Q.1) a) "One cannot remain ethical when people around are unethical". Do you agree?
Discuss with appropriate examples. (10 marks)

The above statement talks about the pressure of remaining ethical, when the surrounding is full of unethical people.

Though it is difficult to remain ethical when surrounded by unethical people, if the integrity, determination is absent in the person.

e.g. Many bureaucrats are found to be involved in corruption despite being trained.

(value system of integrity is weak)

— Involvement of politicians in corruption.

At the same time, it is not always the case. Many people have shown the courage and challenged the status quo.

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They have in fact - went on to receive personal pain and frustration but did not compromise with ethics.

- It requires the qualities of integrity, courage, conviction and dedication to remain ethical.

ex - Ashok Kheruka, IAS despite being surrounded by unethical people, remained ethical and exposed corruption in land allotment in Haryana.

- Durga Shakti Nagpal, IAS with constant pressure remained ethical and even went together with CM of state.

It is not difficult to remain ethical if the person has high moral and ethical values.

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b) "Courage is the most important of all the virtues because, without courage, you can't practice any other virtue consistently." Do you agree with this view? Justify your answer including an example from your life. (10 marks)

Courage is the virtue of doing/acting without fear/fearless as it will. It allows a person to be brave to challenge the status quo.

Courage is the most important virtue. as it :-

- ① Helps in decision making
- ② It helps to follow all the other virtues like integrity, Honesty, compassion.
- ③ Courage acts as innate strength to tackle the crisis of unethical persons in the society.

What if courage is not there.

- ① The person becomes indecisive
- ② s/he cannot be a leader, others meekly he/she would surrender.

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③ To stand to one's ethical principles, it requires utmost courage as pressure would be there to choose easy path.

e.g. Courage of Mahatma Gandhi to stand to his ideals of Truth & Non-violence, shows the importance of courage in following ethics.

Aristotle has rightly described courage as the most important virtue as this is the key which opens the gateway to follow and practice other virtues and values.

Q.2) a) Bring out the factors that influence the formation of a person's attitude. Why do you think contrasting attitudes exist towards social issues in Indian society?

(10 marks)

Attitude is the innate feeling or idea about any object/ person or thing.

Attitude can be formed through various methods and various factors influence the formation of a person's attitude.

Factors that influence formation of person's attitude.

① Age of the person
- Determines the thinking, thought process.

② Economic condition
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A person living in poverty, might develop a negative attitude towards industrialists and capitalists as he may find them to be cause of their exploitation.

③ Society he lives in

of the society has values of tolerance and humanity, his attitude towards minorities would be of tolerance.

④ Schooling / Education.

↳ A lot of prejudices and biases are removed by the schooling and education.

Contrasting attitudes towards different social issues are because of: -

① Lack of education uniformity

② Difference in religion, caste and society.

③ People from different cultures, region and language.

Attitude helps one make correct decision in life and also helps to bring changes in society.

b) "The good of an individual is contained in the good of all" What do you understand by this statement? How can this principle be implemented in public life?

(10 marks)

"Good of an individual is contained in the good of all" - This philosophy talks about the utilitarian principle.

The greatest good for greatest number of people is considered in this principle.

This utilitarian principle has helped to solve many ethical dilemmas and social problems in society.

Government all over the world tries to work on this principle.

The principle has following role in public life.

① Government policies are formulated for benefit of all.

ex- Paying Taxes may not sound good as it reduces income of person, but the tax helps in betterment of poorer sections of society.

② War, which is certainly negative and undesirable, but in the interest of the greater number of people and peace, the war is fought by countries.

③ Removing social evils like sati, triple talaq. Although this may be practised since history, but in the interest of greater number of people, all these have to be abandoned.

④ Gandhiji's Talisman which talks about poor and deprived draws hugely from this philosophy.

The utilization approach is one of most important-ethical principles for good governance.

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Q.3) a) "Emotions can take over our sense of reasoning, logic and overall thinking". In the light of above statement, analyze the role of emotional intelligence for well-being of an individual. (EI) (10 marks)

Emotional intelligence, is the branch of behavioural studies which deals with studying, analyzing and directing and channeling human emotions for a productive usage.

Daniel Goleman popularised the concept of EI. He was one of the prominent proponents who said "EQ (Emotional Quotient) is more important than IQ."

Emotions reflects the extraordinary state where normal sense of reasoning, logic and thinking are influenced highly.

e.g. Anger, pleasure, Grief, Tension all these hampers our decision making.

EI is about -

- ① Self awareness
- ② Self control
- ③ Social awareness

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The understanding of EI helps to be aware of one's emotions which would direct and control it to be self managed. (NOT to be excessive aggressive to submissive)

Social awareness in EI helps to know about surrounding and the society and the social management helps to control the behaviours.

EI helps a person to be within the limits and helps him/her to channelize his emotions for a betterment of his life. It encourages positive thinking and rationality.

b) Examine the relevance of the philosophy of Integral Humanism given by Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya in contemporary Indian society. (10 marks)

Integral humanism was the idea of Pt. Deendayal Upadhyay which was largely based on ancient-Indian philosophy of Advaita and Buddhism. He wanted India to follow the middle path and shunned the idea of capitalism as well as socialism.

The relevance of philosophy in present-Indian society are :-

① He said the 4 Purusharthas (Dharma, Artha, Kama, Moksha) needs to be followed, only following Artha would not lead to Moksha.

It shows the importance of holistic development rather than a singularistic view of profit-making.

② The concept of Integral humanism gives equal importance to all sections of society. Example We have 2 eyes, 2 ears and one nose. This doesn't mean nose is minority, rather it is the importance of every organ which makes human being complete.

In the same manner Integral humanism is relevant today in our country where we have diversity of class, caste, sex, race and ethnicity.

UPittment of all sections of people and aligning them with national goals was the idea of Integral humanism and it is also relevant even today.

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Q.4) a) "The code of conduct and code of ethics differs in terms of purpose, focus, scope, and content." In the light of this statement differentiate between code of ethics and code of conduct with suitable examples.

(10 marks)

Code of Ethics (COE) and Code of Conduct (COC) are used to encourage specific type of behaviors in the persons. Though they are identical in look, there are some differences as well. The differences are as follows: —

<u>Parameters</u>	<u>code of conduct</u>	<u>code of ethics</u>
<u>Purpose</u>	Mainly for employees or system based organization.	For general members of society.
<u>Focus</u>	To bring discipline and codes in organization	To make people act and behave morally.
<u>Scope</u>	Restricted or limited to day to day functioning of organization.	Wider scope covering entire gamut of morality and ethics.
<u>Content</u>	Employee manual and code of formally	Highly informal and

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Code of conduct - examples

- Arriving at office on time
- properly dressing
- NOT accepting gifts from anyone in transaction of business.
- Following a chain of command.

Code of ethics example.

- Punctuality because value of time.
- Dressing properly to follow decency and morality.
- Accepting gifts may amount to bribery and corruption.
- Following hierarchy and respect for elders.

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b) "Probity can be described as a risk management approach through which a civil servant can ensure the procedural integrity." In light of this statement, examine how adhering to the principles of probity can ensure good governance. (10 marks)

Probity in governance is vital need for executing the governance system and socio-economic development. Adherence to Honesty, Integrity and uprightiness.

Adherence to probity ensures following for good governance :-

- ① It preserves public confidence in government powers.
- ② Integrity in public services is maintained.
- ③ It ensures accountability in governance.
- ④ It seeks to avoid the potential for misconduct, fraud and corruption.
- ⑤ The delivery of public services happens without nepotism, fear, favour or ill will.

Probity in governance helps to minimise the risks which might creep in due to the procedural and human errors. Probity ensures best and time bound delivery of public services to the local population. That's why it has been called as a risk management tool to ensure procedural integrity.

Q.5) a) Do you think prosperous countries have a greater responsibility than developing countries in bearing the cost of controlling climate change? Discuss the various ethical issues involved in international funding towards fighting climate change. (10 marks)

The above statement talks about the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities (CBDR), which is one of the important principles of climate change negotiations and debates. Yes, the prosperous countries have a greater responsibility than developing countries because:-

① They were the early movers in industrialization and have hugely polluted the environment with rudimentary technologies of that time.

② Prosperous countries have double whammy of lifting millions out of poverty by providing basic necessities and also the problem of tackling climate change.

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- ③ Richer countries have high amount of resources and technology while poorer ones do not have.

Ethical issues involved in International funding for climate change: -

- ① Non-following of UNFCCC principles.
- ② Derogation of poor countries for usage of coal and other technologies.
- ③ Imposition of costly technologies on new developing countries.
- ④ Asking developing countries to adopt new technologies which would not be economically sustainable.

The climate change talks need to follow UNFCCC, as without it - poor countries will always remain poor.

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b) The major technological, environmental, and socioeconomic disruptions as a result of the Covid19 pandemic, are driving a reexamination of corporate governance principles and practices. Elucidate. (10 marks)

Covid 19 has been one of the greatest-disruptors to the entire world. It has redefined business and governance which is unprecedented in history.

Covid 19 has brought about disruption in technological, environmental and socio-economic disruption which has principles of corporate governance and the great reset has begun.

on the following conditions there needs to be change in corporate governance principles :-

⇒ Technological - The usage of IT based services for work has been tremendously increased zoom meeting, Teams meet on Microsoft.

- The technological and digital divide has widened amongst the people.

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- Environmental - Though usage of vehicles have reduced, the power requirement for data and servers have increased.
- Load on electricity provision has increased.

Corporate governance needs to be relooked and reexamined in the following terms: -

- ① Quarantine leaves have to be added, Medical leaves also.
- ② Addition of compulsory health insurance policies and insuring the dependents.
- ③ Huge investment in IT infrastructure needs to be made.
- ④ New methods of performance analysis and meetings.

Overall structure and procedure has is expected because of COVID19 and corporates are doing their part.

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Q.6) 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) "Compassion and tolerance are not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength" - Dalai Lama.

(10 marks)

Compassion is a quality of feeling others pain and thinking of ways to alleviate the pain.

Tolerance is the quality which has values of respecting (and withstanding) the pain. (Pain may be because of self or because of others).

Both these qualities are high order virtues and needs to be followed by all; though it is not easy for everyone to have these qualities.

The tolerance in current context -

⇒ At societal level

↳ Problem of lynching and attack on rational thinking.

Compassion and Tolerance by majority over the minority would make them safer and majority can show the sign of strength and resilience.

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At political level

↳ The dominant-ruling party needs to take up the views of opposition also, so that there is quality decision making.

At environmental level

— The richer and developed countries needs to understand and tolerate the requirements of developing countries.

Compassion and tolerance is required by the majority people and population who might feel threatened with minority view, but if they are able to show the above 2 qualities, the position of strength is displayed and they need not worry about their position of strength.

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b) "Leadership is a privilege to better the lives of others. It is not an opportunity to satisfy personal greed" - Mwai Kibaki
(10 marks)

The above statement talks about the values and importance of great leaders to the society. A leader is one who leads his people out of despair and pain. He who uses the chair for his own selfish agenda cannot be a leader, he would merely be a dealer.

The world is full of examples of both the good and bad of people.

- eg → Nelson Mandela - The leader of apartheid movement in South Africa fought for the black people and achieved them equality which has bettered the lives of many deprived sections of the society.

→ Leaders as infamously dictators like Gadhafi, Kim Jong un, Saddam Hussein lived a life of luxury while their people

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lived in abject poverty.

In the worst context

- The issue of corruption, nepotism, embezzlement of funds have become a great threat for public welfare and it has been observed that a strong and morally upright leader who works in checking all the above issues is able to lift many out of poverty and dejection.
- But in some time when corruption and nepotism is rampant it leads to growth of particular family or party not to entire population.
e.g. Bihar & Jharkhand have suffered heavily because of corrupt leaders, while they had huge resources but it could not be used.

c) "Democracy is not law of the majority but protection of the minority" - Albert Camus

(10 marks)

Democracy is the form of government by the people, for the people and of the people. The ruler who is elected might not have got 100% votes but he is the leader of even those who have not voted for him.

Though majority has voted for him/her that doesn't mean he would have rule for majority only, he/she has to ensure those who did not vote for him also to be protected and brought to his side through democratic means.

Why this notion of majority and minority has come in picture?

It is because of the existence of freedom of expression and the right to vote.

Somebody might not ascribe to majority views but he

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must be protected and defended for his right to say so.

In the current context-

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An atmosphere of insecurity has been created towards minority be it in terms of religion in India or race in USA.

- Here the true meaning of democracy comes into picture as the majority has to ensure safety of minority. Then only the values of democracy will survive or else this would lead to tyranny of majority over the minority which would destroy the fabric of democratic system.

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Q.7) You are the administrative head of a department in an important urban area. As the administrative head, you have the duty as well as the responsibility to implement all the laws formulated by the legislature, directives given by your seniors and the court of law. You are known to be an upright, disciplined and compassionate person. You aim to alleviate the pain and suffering of the poor and destitute. ✓

The area under your jurisdiction has seen a rampant proliferation of illegal slums, especially throughout the railway lines and industrial zones. The urban area has witnessed a huge influx of immigrants as it provides numerous employment and livelihood opportunities for the youths residing in nearby villages. Most of them are tribal, who have migrated to overcome poverty, hunger and starvation. ✓

These slums have become home to many low paid workers for nearby factories as well as cheap vendors of groceries and essential commodities to the middle-class urban households in the area. However, these slums have also become a hotspot for many water-borne and communicable diseases due to poor sanitation and hygiene and healthcare facilities. The area has also become a breeding ground for many criminal activities and hideouts for criminal due to difficulties in law enforcement. ✓

For a long time, the government has been mulling on the idea of revamping and beautification of this place. A PIL was filed against these unauthorized slums and the court has ordered for the destruction of all the illegal encroachments on public land. However, this year the present monsoon year has witnessed unprecedented rainfall and most of the areas have been inundated.

The seniors of your department have been pressurizing you to remove the encroachments by force, even when the situation is not congenial. The court has also asked the administration to file a progress report on the courts order. Being the enforcing officer in such a situation, consider the following questions, ✓

- Bring out the ethical issues involved in the case.
- Evaluate the merits and demerits of various options available to you.
- What would be your course of action? Justify your answer.

(20 marks)

The above case is about - illegal encroachment of land by poor people to develop slums and the pressing administrative and legal need for removal of these slums. The challenge is compounded by monsoons which has

wrecked havoc in the area.

(A) Ethical issues involved in case are:-

- ① illegal encroachment - vs homelessness.
- ② livelihood vs joblessness and distribution of PWS.
- ③ legal orders of Govt - vs illegal settlement.
- ④ Right - to life of PWS vs procedural difficulties.
- ⑤ Bureaucratic apathy vs Judicial activism.
- ⑥ Right to shelter vs Health of others.
- ⑦ various options available to me

→ 1st option.
① obey the orders of Govt and department and remove the encroachment.

Merits :-

- ① Fulfilling and ascribing to my duties of the State.

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② Abiding by the judgement of the court.

Demerits :-

① The poor will be rendered homeless

② There will be dissonance in me for the sufferings inflicted on the poor.

→ II. Disobey the orders and refuse myself from the post as I would not be doing inhuman act.

Merits :-

① I will feel less dissonance and would feel less guilt and remorse.

② Poor may be getting their homes.

Demerits :-

① Refusing from post will amount to abdication of responsibility

② The law of land and orders of court would not be followed which is procedurally and legally wrong.

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⇒ III. Filing a temporary stay petition in court - considering the exigency and convincing my department - that after Jains they would be removed.

Merits : -

- ① It amounts to Madhyama Marg & neither extremes are followed
- ② Poo will get time to relocate and shift

Demerits : -

- ① Court may not agree and my image will be dented.

(C)

I would choose the last option because that helps me to follow madhyama marg (without extremes) and this has got the most humane approach. Moreover it has

~~utilitarian~~ utilitarian value as maximum good for maximum people is there. In addition no new construction will take place anyway.

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Q.8) Social media platforms have created great convenience for our societies by expanding and diversifying the ways people communicate with one another, and yet these platforms have the power to cause harm like sending hurtful messages to a person in form of harassment known as cyberbullying. Some acts of cyberbullying might not only be considered defamatory, but also cause serious consequences. ✕

Madhav, a 55-year-old manager at a shopping store in Gujarat, has recently been a victim of cyber harassment. After discovering that a 19-year-old female employee posted an abusive post about Madhav, making derogatory comments about his character. Madhav confronted the girl during an official meeting and asked why the girl posted such hurtful comments that could harm the manager's reputation, the girl meekly replied that she was upset at the time. The manager responded that he was very upset by the girl's actions. Demanding a public apology in front of all the staff, Madhav stated that he would not allow "young brats" to call him those names. Madhav uploaded a video of this confrontation online, attracting lots of attention.

While Madhav was subjected to cyber harassment, some felt he went too far by confronting the girl in-front of everyone during a meeting and posting the video for the public to see, raising concerns over the privacy and rights of the girl. Seema Chhabra, who writes a column for a leading newspaper, notes, "We do need to remain benevolent and understanding towards teens when they demonstrate immaturity." Confronting instances of a teenager venting her anger may infringe upon her basic rights to freedom of speech and expression. Yet, as Chhabra explains, Manager and girl were both perpetrators and victims of cyber harassment. All the concerns of both parties must be considered and, as She wrote, "The worth of one's dignity should not be on a sliding scale depending on how old you are." ✓

a) In trying to teach the girl a lesson about taking responsibility for her actions, did the manager go too far and become a bully? ✓

b) According to you, who is the victim in this case? Was one more victimized than the other? Explain.

c) Do you think factors like age and gender used to "excuse" unethical behavior in our society? Justify with examples. (20 marks)

(a) The manager did the "hit for hit", but it was not right as per me. It is said that an eye for eye will make the whole

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Context- the manager should have sought other ways like - using social influence or in fact - used the company's code of conduct - or even asked for independent enquiry to know about her governance and addressing them.

By doing the something what - the girl did to him, violated the principle of natural justice and the girl would not get reformed, rather this may lead to venging cycle of hate.

Yes, the manager went too far ahead and bullied her.

(b) According to me, the girl here has become the victim of cyber bullying as well as her privacy and fundamental rights were violated.

No doubt - Madhav was a victim of the girl's immaturity and rush of blood. She could have

sought other methods to vent out
 her grievance, but she treaded on
 the dangerous path for mob justice
 and social media trial which in
 itself is biased, unfair and unethical.
 But Madhav made a bigger mistake
 by posting the confrontation online.
 "To maintain a fault - known is
 called as double fault". Here, Madhav
 again committed the same mistake
 of which he was accusing the girl
 of. Hence, in my opinion the
 girl is more victim than other
 party (Madhav) considering the
 issues mentioned above.

① Yes, in our society there is
 biasedness to our decision
 making with regard to factors like
 Age and sex.

In our laws also there is special
 exemption to age (Juvenile)
 and some respite to women

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and special cases for women.

e-g. Nishchaya case. - The murderer was Juvenile, but he got away leaving a minimum punishment.

In case of female, the policy is always prejudiced and biased that the boy/male might be wrong.

e-g. Recent - Zomato example where the delivery boy was accused to have assaulted the girl, while the truth was something else, which was later revealed.

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Q.9) You are appointed as a Superintendent of Police (SP) in a district known for communal sensitivity. This is the first time that you are heading a district police force, and you are aware that there are challenges as well as opportunities to your position.

In the very first week of work, you have been informed that the wedding ceremony of a 24-year-old man from religious community A and a 19-year-old woman from religious community B was stopped by some unknown groups, which was to be solemnized as per the ritual of Community A, a majority community in the district. Although the marriage had the consent of the couple, the families on both sides are against this interfaith marriage and had filed complaints with the police separately.

Under the new law passed by the state government, official permission of the SP is mandatory for interfaith marriages. The police, who were acting on complaint, asked the couple to seek your nod for their marriage. ✓

The couple approached you seeking permission and support to the marriage. They informed you that the vigilante group has threatened them against the marriage with serious consequences and also tried to harass the woman. The couple was reluctant to file any charges against the incident due to fear of life from their families and vigilante groups.

- a) What are the stakeholders involved in this case study? Discuss various ethical issues involved.
- b) What will be your course of action towards the couple, their families, vigilante groups, society at large, and your police force? Justify with reasons. (20 marks)

(a) The stakeholders in this case are :-

- ① The couple.
- ② Family of the couple.
- ③ Religious groups.
- ④ Vigilante group.
- ⑤ Society.
- ⑥ Police force and state machinery.
- ⑦ Myself as the SP.

Various ethical issues involved are:-

- ① Right to life vs social pressure.
- ② Violation of constitutional freedoms granted to each citizen.
- ③ Moral policing and vigilantism by mob which is against the ethical principles.
- ④ Harassment of women.
- ⑤ Fear, Intimidation and threat shown to the couple.

b) Course of action towards the various stakeholders will be as follows:-

(i) Couple :- Verifying the genuineness and willing consent, I would grant my permission for the marriage.

By doing so, I would uphold my duties prescribed in law.

Moreover, I would be helping someone realize his right to ~~consent~~ life (marriage) also included.

(ii) Families :-

Counseling would be provided to them and make them understand that - it would be illegal to stop the consenting adults from getting married. Counseling, persuasion and social influence may help them to change their status.

(iii) Vigilante group :-

Stip-Warning would be issued to them to not take laws into their own hands. Even after that - if they do not listen then they would be booked as per extant-laws for instigating communal violence.

(iv) Society at large :-

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Couple to get married, I would send the signal loud and clear that rule of law would be protected in all instances and the mobocracy will not be allowed.

(b) For the police force :-

I will set out an example by allowing the rule of law to be done rather than of the rule of the majority. I would tell them that whenever the situation like this comes, constitution and laws are only our torch & path breakers.

Q.10) You are the District Magistrate (DM) in one of the most backward districts in India. You have received a complaint regarding misuse of BPL ration cards of dead people in procuring ration. On probing the matter, you found that in one of the panchayats, ration continues to be procured in the name of 318 people who are dead and this practice is prevalent all over the district. ✓

When you investigate the matter, some beneficiaries from a particular village said that it was not their fault as the authorities have not removed the deceased persons' names from the ration cards. They also argued that the ration received is very helpful to the family members including kids of the deceased people. According to them, while giving away such a small quantity of food wouldn't make much difference to the government, it can bring a significant change in the lives to those benefitting from it. ✓

Further, the inquiry revealed that the local politicians are in nexus with the PDS suppliers with definite profiteering out of the ghost beneficiaries. Both of these stakeholders have colluded with local authorities to bypass the established procedures.

a) Discuss the various ethical issues involved in the above case.

b) What actions and corrective measures would you take?

c) Do you think the villager's argument holds any value and whether widows of the dead should be allowed an extra amount of ration? Justify your statement.

(20 marks)

Facts of case :

The issue in the case is regarding corruption and misuse of resources by taking advantage of some administrative lacunae. The PDS grain is siphoned off and diverted by nexus of politicians and PDS suppliers.

(a) Various ethical issues in the

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- ① corruption
- ② Breach of public trust-
- ③ Embezzlement- of government-
resources.
- ④ Diversion of food grains from
the needy.
- ⑤ Theft of public property.

(b) The actions taken by me would be as follows: -

- ① I would ask the PDS supplier to immediately get his books audited.
- ② In the meantime, the linkage of Ration cards would be checked out by district administration as per my orders.
- ③ Report of corruption would be prepared after the completion of audit and cases will be registered

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against the erring officials and PDS suppliers.

corrective action : -
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- ① Get the Aadhar linkage of the ration cards done at earliest.
 - ② Social audit with the help of NGOs can be done to find out the actual and ghost-beneficiaries.
- (c) NO, the villagers arguments about the dead person cannot be held for value as there is no objectivity in the all- and moreover allowing a wrong precedent may embolden others to do wrong and find loopholes. In this manner laws would be made into joke.

Regarding the widows and children there are

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- ① widow pension
 - ② Mid day meal for school children
 - ③ Arshay Patra and other NGOs can be roped into help the widows to get food.
 - ④ widows can approach district administration with proper application and get the benefits which are available to her.
- Ceding to the demands of the villagers would not be a prudent decision and not in the best interest of society.

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Q.11) As drum thumps and thousands of people cheer, several men jump on the backs of the bull and try to hang on as it jumps and fights aggressively. Such adventurers win prizes as utensils, clothes, bicycles, motorbikes or even a car if they hold on to the bull for three jumps in 30 seconds. ✓

These are scenes from a very popular bullfighting festival which takes place across a state during the annual harvest festival. Bullfighting has had its roots in rituals and culture of the state, dating back many centuries. To the people, the spectacle of bullfights is not a mere sport. The event is not only culturally significant, but also considered a fine art in which the bullfighter is trained in a certain style and elicits emotion through the act of the fight. ✓

However, despite its cultural importance, bullfighting continues to face increasing scrutiny from animal rights activists as it is considered to cause pain and suffering for animals as well as humans. According to media reports, so far 71 people have been injured this year alone in a single district. Many graphic images of animal torture have also been circulating on social media, making the issue catch attention of the national and international media.

A columnist, in his article, defends the practice and circumstances of the bull, "In terms of animal welfare, the fighting bull lives four to six years whereas the meat cow lives one to two. Those years are spent free roaming". Others similarly argue that the death of the bull in the ring is more humane than the death of animals in a slaughterhouse. ✓

- a) Do you believe that bullfighting is an ethically wrong practice or a justifiable cultural event? Give reason in support of your answer. ✓
- b) In what ways does ethnocentrism affect your perspective on bullfighting? How would your opinion differ if you were raised in a different culture?
- c) Do you agree that the death of the bull in the ring is more humane than the death of animals in a slaughterhouse? What ethical concerns are raised by both situations?

(20 marks)

Bullfighting is a traditional sport which has been practised since long, but it is ethically wrong practice.

- Mahatma Gandhi had said "A quality of nation can be judged by the way it treats its animals."

Harming / causing injury to any other living creature for the sake of our pleasure and entertainment is highly immoral and unethical.

The rich and old tradition can be continued in the name of legacy. The cruelty of the animals needs to be checked.

— The Jaina and Buddhist policy of non-violence and non-injury has guided our society.

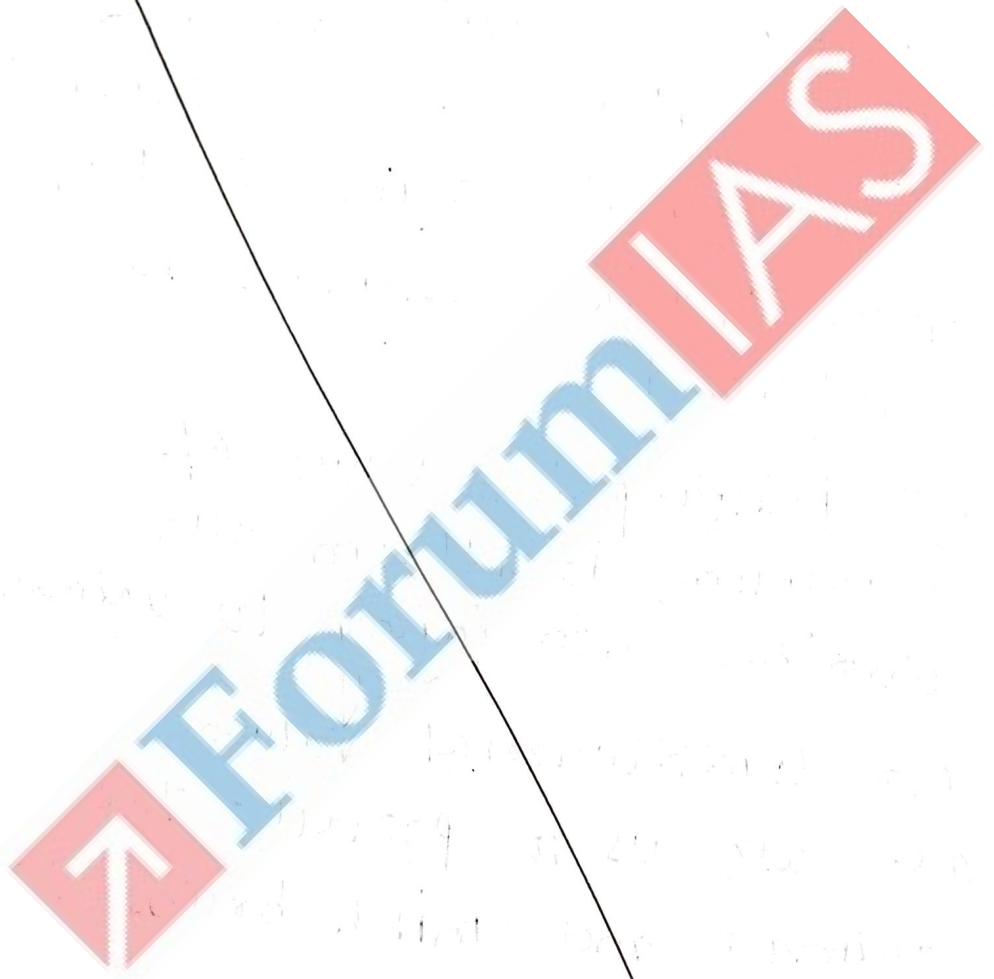
(b) Ethnocentrism will affect the bullfighting as we will be attached to our sense of culture and more over the social and familiar conformation will impact our decision.

The social influence will be on the mind.

63) Neither of the statements - is correct - ethically as death of animals by human would no way justify the act.

Killing the animal for the sports or entertainment - or killing the animal for food - none of the statements is justified.

Our philosophical values of Jainism, Buddhism also ascribes non-injury to animals. Our constitutional values also ask us to protect the animals and milk breeds of Cattles.



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Q.12) Amrita is a 19-year-old student in a prestigious college in the national capital. She has been a bright student throughout her academic career and has a promising career ahead. She hails from a lower middle-class family with limited financial resources. She has been vocal about many issues facing the society and environment in the recent past. Citing her activism, she was even awarded the "Young Climate Activist" award by a well-known international Non-governmental Organization.

Recently, farmers of the country expressed their anger and frustration against the government for a farm legislation by organizing a large-scale protest involving thousands of farmers. The protest continued for many months peacefully but failed to produce an amicable solution. So, the farmers decided to intensify their protest by breaching the city barriers and organizing a "tractor rally" in the national capital. Amrita also took to social media to express her support for the rally. She expressed her outrage against the government policies and pleaded support from the general public and international media.

The rally was to be done peacefully, in consultation with the police, however, it got out of control and became violent. There were instances of violence against police personnel and civilians along with defacing of many monuments of national importance. An enquiry into the matter was therefore ordered.

During the probe, the investigation agency found that the violent events were not spontaneous but carefully planned and orchestrated by external separatist forces including some terrorist organizations. They also found that many Indians helped these forces by sharing and promoting their agenda on social media platforms through documents containing plans of the disruption. Among others, Amrita was also found to be guilty of being an accomplice to the conspiracy to cause violence during the protest.

An FIR containing charges of sedition and conspiracy with secessionist forces was filed against Amrita. The police detained Amrita and reported that many digital records and incriminating evidence were found against her.

Amrita's case gained traction in the mainstream and social media. While some felt she was just a kid who was expressing her opinion as was her right to do so, others felt that she was colluding with secessionist forces and must be punished according to the law.

- What are the various ethical issues involved in the above case?
- Do you think the charges against Amrita were justified?
- Do you think youth activism and national interest are antithetical concepts? In what ways can our education system contribute to align the two?
- In what ways has the social media contributed to issues highlighted in the above case?

(20 marks)

Various ethical issues involved in above case :-

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- ① Violence against- countrymen.
- ② Conspiracy and sedition against- country.
- ③ Disruption of public order.
- ④ Fomenting protest, and violence leading to damage to personal and public property.

(b) of the charges against Amrita Shinde in the court then, they are justified. Creating violence and disrupting peace with help of sources inimical to India's interest is "intolerable and unacceptable."

She should be allowed to present her side of story in the court before being incriminated.

(c) No, the two are not antithetical concepts, rather they both can complement each other.

The excessive and unreal romanticization of the revolution can be antithetical sometimes as the youth do not understand the great issues and sometimes get played by antinational elements.

Education system should help to learn and imbibe the values of Nationalism, unity, Fraternity and brotherhood to the youth.

(d) Social media exaggerates the issues on both the sides it does not give the true picture of the situation. Both the parties try to

flare up the temperature in the platform.

The social media platforms contributed in highlighting her as the chief instigator in the case of violence. Moreover she would have been in discussion with like minded people and that would have acted as the digital evidence against her.

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