

PSIR

1. Do you read *Foreign Affairs* magazine? Whose article did you read last?
2. What is the current debt of the US economy, and don't you think it's an issue? What are your thoughts on it?
3. I recently read a report that China has surpassed the US in technology. What do you think about this, and why is it happening?
4. Tell me about the deteriorating Indo-Canada relationship.
5. There was an assassination too; what about that? Even the US claimed that Pannu was threatened with assassination.
6. What is your long-term view on Indo-Canada relations?
7. You have been in Tamil Nadu, and there is a civil servant who is making news in politics. Who is it? – (Your reply: Mr. K. Annamalai.) Should civil servants join politics? Recently, a judge also joined politics. What do you think about that?
8. Idealism vs. Materialism
9. Plato vs. Marx
10. Who talked about the communism of wives?
11. Why has China grown so fast? Should India adopt this model?
12. Democracy vs. Chinese model: Which one would you choose?
13. Provide an example of soft power and hard power.
14. What is smart power?
15. Discuss the positives and negatives of the Indian diaspora.
16. Which is the most complex issue, according to you, in international relations?
17. What steps can be taken to normalize relations between India and Pakistan?
18. What is the peace-by-pieces approach?
19. Compare Kautilya and Machiavelli. Who is more realistic in their approach?
20. Is there any relevance of Indian classics like *Arthashastra* and *Mahabharata* in present times?
21. What changes have occurred in India's foreign policy over the past decade?
22. What is special about John Stuart Mill? What is his core concept?
23. How will you ensure a balance between liberty and reasonable restrictions?
24. What do you mean by the Non-Alignment Movement? Does it have relevance in the present times?
25. What is the I2U2 grouping? Why is Saudi Arabia not a member?
26. India is a fossil-based economy. What is the Government of India doing to reduce dependency on fossils?
27. In the context of the Middle East, how has the scenario changed post-World War I?
28. In the present scenario, what is the solution to the crisis in the Middle East?
29. Is democracy around the world under threat?
30. Why did India introduce Look East and Act East Policy?

Anthropology

1. Why is there more Rh- and less Rh+ in India when we are descendants of monkeys? Are we descendants of monkeys?
2. Why did you choose anthropology?
3. Tell us about the Tharu tribe and its cultural uniqueness.
4. Since your optional is Anthropology, tell me about some fossil sites in India. Mention the recent ones as well.
5. Why isn't anthropology a popular discipline?
6. Tell me some theories of evolution.
7. Give an anthropological perspective of the caste system.
8. Where is the quality of life better, supercity or Tier 2 or 3 cities? Give an anthropological perspective.
9. What are the differences between sociology and social anthropology?
10. Do you know about Iravati Karve? What work did she do in the domain of socio-cultural anthropology?

Economics

1. Can you assess a company's profitability from its balance sheet?
2. What aspects would you evaluate from a company's balance sheet? (Despite mentioning in the first question that you're not very well-versed with balance sheets.)
3. What is the value of stock markets in India in monetary terms? (After saying you only know the Sensex in points.)
4. Are Indian markets overvalued? What factors contribute to this?
5. Arrange GST, Demonitisation, 1991 Reforms, 1969 Bank Nationalisation in order of their importance for Indian economy?
6. What is the trilemma in economics?
7. How can RCTs (Randomized Controlled Trials) be utilized? What is Abhijit Banerjee's theory, and can you provide a practical example of its application?
8. What is the difference between economics and managerial economics?
9. What is Industry 6.0, and how does it differ from Industry 5.0?
10. What is Industry 4.0? Provide an example.

Geography

1. As a geographer, at least for this exam, where can I find the Mediterranean climate? What are the characteristics of this climate?
2. What crops are grown in this climate? (After you mentioned grapes, olives, and citrus fruits, he remarked, "That means most of the wine-producing areas fall in this climate, right?")

3. Long monologue about climate change and its impacts—like higher snowfall in some places and rising temperatures in others—then asked your opinion on the scenario.
4. It is speculated that Western Europe may freeze in a few years, leading to the freezing of their ports. Why might this happen?
5. What is the relationship between geography and international relations (IR)?
6. How does geography influence relationships between nations?
7. Why do small nations tend to align with the USA?
8. Since your optional is geography, have you heard of the “chicken neck”? What is its importance?
9. He gave a monologue on the dismal state of Indian agriculture and then asked: Why is it so?
10. Since you are into fruit gardening, what do you think can be done to improve horticulture?
11. Has any exotic fruit crop recently gained popularity in Kerala?
12. Avocado has been becoming popular recently; are you aware of its different varieties?
13. Have you heard of Thomas Friedman? He is a famous journalist who wrote *The World is Flat*, but geography says otherwise. Why is that?
14. “Geography determines history.” Comment.
15. How is history determined by geography?
16. Why does geography play an important role in Rajasthan?
17. What type of special geographical study is needed for Rajasthan?
18. How are geography and IR related?
19. Can you name some geopolitical geographers?
20. What exactly is global warming? Is India doing enough to tackle it?
21. What are the problems faced in combating climate change?
22. Can you name some mangroves?
23. Why is the coast of Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, and West Bengal more prone to cyclones?
24. As a geography student, do you think the Radcliffe Line is justified? What are the issues that still persist because of it?
25. Do you think India needs more time zones rather than just one?
26. Which mountain range separates Peninsular Plateau from Northern Plains?
27. Why Narmada flows towards the west while most other peninsular rivers flow towards the east?

Philosophy

1. How is Indian philosophy (Bhartiya Darshan) great?
2. Debates and discussions are crucial in philosophy, but this does not seem evident now. Do you think debates have reduced in contemporary times?

3. I will say a quote, and you tell me whether you agree with it or not: “Loyalty to the country but loyalty to the government only if it deserves.”
4. If you become a civil servant tomorrow, will you not support the government?

Maithili

1. Why did you choose Maithili literature as your optional subject after completing a BTech in Chemical Engineering?
2. Who is your favorite writer in Maithili literature?
3. Apart from Vidyapati, who are the contemporary writers in Maithili literature?
4. Do you agree with the statement that the upper caste has been alienated from Bihar politics in the last 30 years?
5. What is the government doing to improve connectivity in Madhubani district?
6. In Madhubani painting, middlemen earn more profit. What is the current situation, and what is the government doing to address it?
7. What challenges does the Maithili language face?

Mathematics

1. What did you study in mathematics during graduation? What is ANOVA in statistics?
2. Do you think there is an over-reliance on statistics now?
3. Statistical data are more concealing than revealing. Do you agree?
4. Since your optional subject is Mathematics, design a poverty measurement mathematical model. What can you do in your model that will be different from the multi-dimensional poverty index?
5. Mathematics and space have a connection. It is said space is described using mathematics. Can you tell a specific language which can be used in the research of Mathematics, Space and Computer Science.

Sociology

1. What do you understand by modern feminism? How can working women balance personal and professional life?
2. What are the methods used in modern sociology?
3. Why did you choose sociology after studying Civil Engineering?
4. Name 5 Nobel Prize winners from sociology. Who is the mother and father of sociology?
5. What is Sanskritization?

6. Why Buddhism declined in India and flourished in SE Asia?
7. What is the difference between sociology and sociocultural anthropology?
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Zoology

1. What is neoteny?
2. What are blastula and gastrula? How many cells are there in a blastula?
3. Which one is diploblastic, and which is triploblastic?

Medical Science

1. What is the role of biology and hormones in happiness?
2. Metabolic disorders like diabetes are increasing. What needs to be done to address this?
3. What is the doctor-to-population ratio in India and Bihar?
4. What are the reasons for the low ratio, and what will you do to increase it?
5. Name some medical implants you would use in patient care.
6. Why is India lacking in manufacturing medical devices?
7. If a company directly approaches you as a doctor and asks you to use their device, will you use it? What steps will you take, or what mechanisms will you use to ensure the safety of medical devices?
8. Who is Hippocrates, and what is the Hippocratic oath?
9. Are doctors adhering to this oath in their practice?
10. The nexus between doctors and pharmacists is increasing worldwide. How will you reduce it? Suggest practical steps along with government measures.
11. The brain is the greatest healer; medicine is just cut and paste. What is the placebo effect? Do you know the opposite of it? Why do doctors prescribe sugar tablets?
12. What is epigenetics?
13. Do you know about Lamarckism?
14. How do you view the role of AI in healthcare?
15. How can we reduce costs in the health sector?
16. What are your views on healthcare insurance, and how can the current model be improved?
17. What are some recent technological innovations in the medical field?
18. What ethical issues arose during the COVID-19 pandemic, and what are the current ethical issues in the medical field?
19. What attributes should doctors and engineers have for civil services? How would you handle gender disparity in health in rural areas?

20. What would you choose: public health infrastructure or private health infrastructure with an insurance system? Please discuss this.
21. Why is TB so common in India? Which schemes have been launched to tackle it?

Commerce and Accountancy

1. What is Organizational Theory and Behavior?
2. Define Financial Management.
3. What are the measures implemented to address stressed assets?
4. How would you audit a company's Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account?

Public Administration

1. What practical applications from Public Administration can be applied to Civil Services?
2. Is Frank Lloyd Wright overrated?
3. Draw comparisons between Public Administration and Architecture.
4. What is lacking in Public Administration? What needs to be done?

Hindi Literature

1. Who are the Bhakti literature poets from various regions of India?
2. Compare the works and philosophy of Kabirdas and Tulsidas.
3. Trace the evolution of the Hindi language.
4. Discuss some notable writings by Dinkar and Rahul Sankrityayan.

Psychology

1. We are normal individuals and aim to have a simple conversation. What is abnormal psychology?
2. Is it true that the focus of psychology has shifted from the soul to the mind to behavior? Do you agree with this perspective?
3. What defines Indian psychology?
4. What happens when there is a divergence between the attitude and behaviour of a person?

History

1. Among events between 1857 and 1957 in Indian independence, which one do you consider the most significant?
2. What lessons have you learned from Buddha, and how have you applied them in your life?
3. Is history becoming obsolete? Why should we continue studying it?
4. What is the importance of history in administrative services?
5. Why is Muhammad bin Tughlaq often depicted negatively?

6. Name three key events that shaped world history.

Law

1. What is the right to property, and what has been the impact of its removal as a fundamental right?
2. Why does the Constitution include the term socialist, and is India socialist in its current state?
3. Why was the Right to Education added as a Fundamental Right, and how has its implementation progressed?
4. Draft a framework for the Right to Health and discuss the challenges involved in its implementation.
5. Is the International Court of Justice (ICJ) effective in contemporary times?

Agriculture

1. What is the current contribution of the agricultural sector to the GDP? Why is it declining?
2. Have you heard about Krishi darshan? Tell me about its relevance.
3. What is the contribution of Agricultural Universities in the domain of agriculture?

