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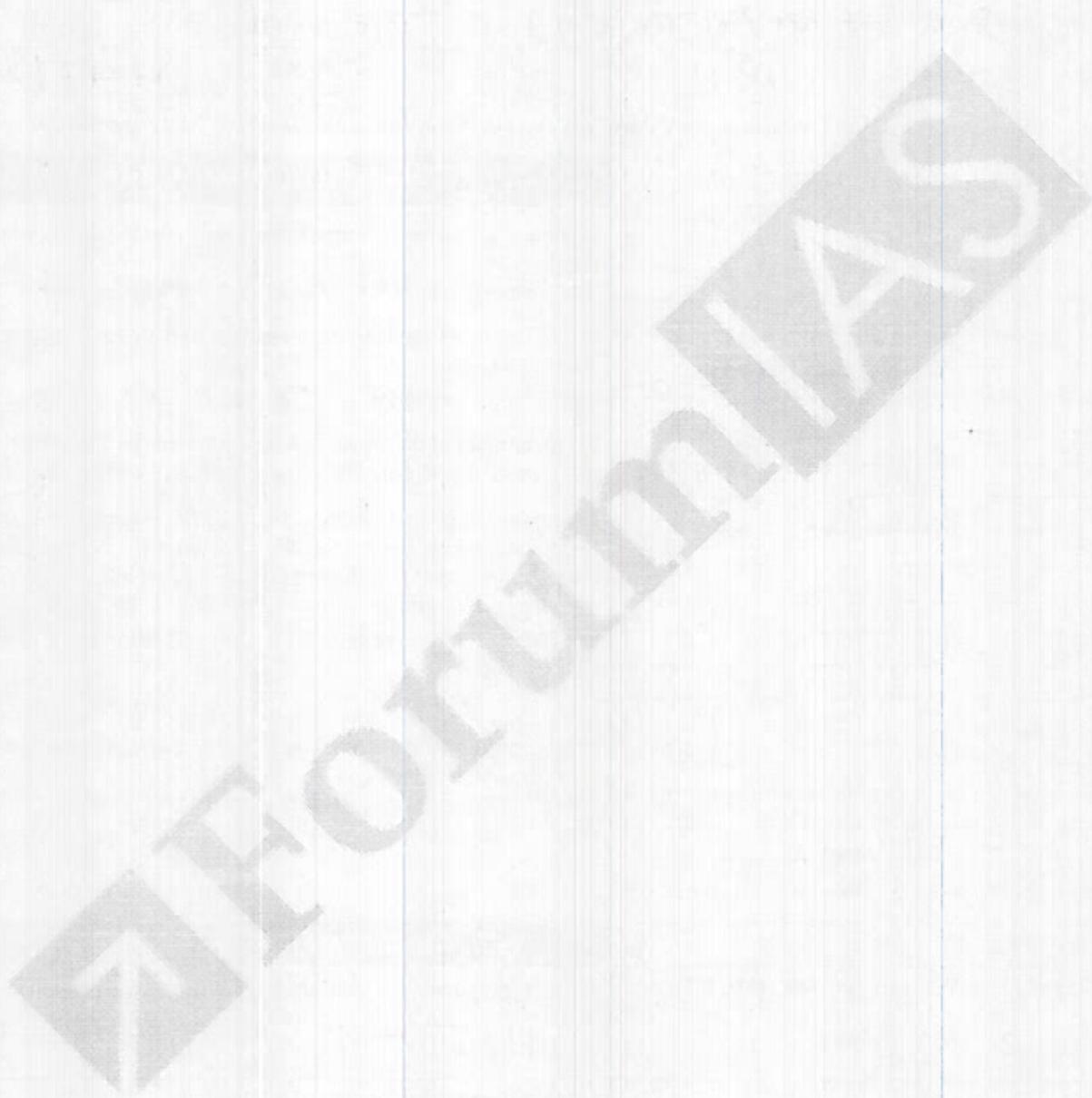
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SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

लघु उत्तरीय प्रश्न

Section-A / खण्ड-अ

Q.1) The Indian Constitution strikes a balance between flexibility and rigidity. Comment

भारतीय संविधान लचीलेपन और कठोरता के बीच एक संतुलन स्थापित करता है। टिप्पणी कीजिए।

(8 Marks)

Indian constitution is regarded as living document because it is of evolutionary nature changing with social needs that make it flexible and part of basic structure are not amendable that make it rigid.

Indian constitution as rigid

1. In Keshwanand Bharti case - Basic structure of constitution can not be amended.

↳ Federal structure, Parliamentary system.

2. For constitutional amendment separate approval of both House

needed that makes amendment difficult.

3. For amendment of federal provisions
→ Ratification of 1/2 states needed.

↳ 7th schedule, A(368).

Indian Constitution as Flexible

1. some provisions can be amended by simple majority. ↳ A(2), A(3)

2. Fundamental rights can be amended but subject to Basic structure. ↳ A(17), A(192) etc.

3. scope of articles have been broadened - using the power of law. ↳ Right to privacy -

Puttaswamy case.

Thus Indian Constitution is a perfect blend of rigidity and flexibility.

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Q.2) Discuss the 'reasonable restrictions' mentioned in the Indian Constitution accompanying the fundamental rights. To what extent is it justified to impose such restrictions?

मूल अधिकारों से सम्बद्ध भारतीय संविधान में उल्लिखित "युक्तियुक्त निर्बंधनों" पर चर्चा कीजिए। इस प्रकार के निर्बंधन आरोपित करना कहां तक उचित है? (8 Marks)

Fundamental rights are provided under part III of constitution.

Reasonable restrictions on FRs

1. In Keshwanand Bharti case -
Fundamental rights are not absolute - subject to reasonable restrictions

Art (14) - reasonable restrictions
can be placed on foreign grounds,

Art (361) - President & Governor
immune from criminal cases.

Art (19) - reasonable restrictions -
Public order, morality, security,

in interest of sovt, integrity,
incitement of violence etc.

Restrictions Justified

1. For National security
 ex) Ban on filming Army convoy during operation Sindoor.

2. To maintain Just and fair society.

3. To protect liberty of others.

Restrictions misused

1. To suppress dissent

2. To hide police excess

3. Political gains.

4. To violate right to privacy.

Reasonable restrictions are provided as safety valve for exceptional circumstances thus must be used judiciously

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Q.3) What is a cut motion in Parliament? Explain its different types.

संसद में कटौती प्रस्ताव क्या होता है? इसके विभिन्न प्रकारों की व्याख्या कीजिए।

(8 Marks)

cut motion refers to motions passed after budget to express members views about economy and policies.

Its different types

1. Policy cut motion
↳ to express dissatisfaction from a policy.
2. Economy cut motion
↳ to reduce budget outlay to particular amount.
3. Taken cut motion
↳ to address specific grievance

↳ Budget outlay is reduced by 100 ₹.

Importance

- 1. To fix executive accountability
- ↳ 2. economy and efficiency of policy
- 3. fiscal consolidation and fiscal discipline

Thus they are important tools to exercise financial accountability of executives.

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Q.4) What are the various instruments available to the legislature to uphold the accountability of the executive in India?

भारत में कार्यपालिका की जवाबदेही बनाए रखने के लिए विधायिका के पास उपलब्ध विभिन्न साधन क्या हैं?

(8 Marks)

Indian constitution has provided for membership of executives to legislature to make them accountable to parliament.

Instruments available to legislature

1. Question Hour - Ask questions about various matters.
2. Various kinds of motion to attract attention of executives.
 - ↳ calling attention motion.
3. Financial committees - for exercising financial oversight.
 - ↳ Public account committee - examine the reports.

3.2 estimates committee - examine budgetary estimates.

4. Reports of various institutions

ex CAG report → Approaches about performance of PM JAY.

5. [3D] - Debate, discussions and deliberations about proposed policies and Bills.

Issues → 1. Lack of expertise,

→ 2. Absenteeism,

→ 3. concealing of question news ex During covid-19.

Solutions → 1. mandatory → Bills to committees

→ 2. make committee recommendations Binding.

Thus we can enhance the performance of our executives.

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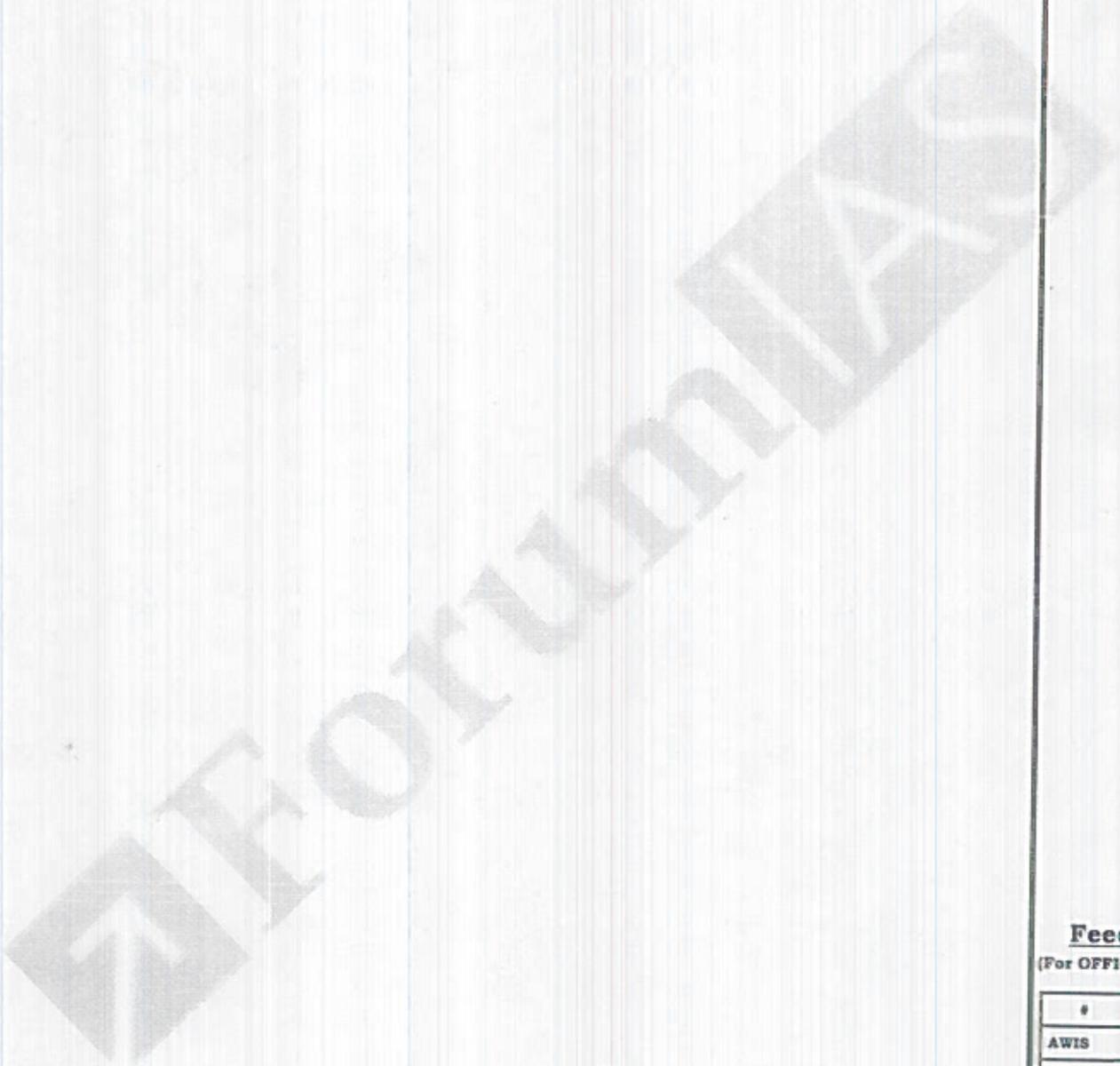
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Q.5) Hidden hunger is a real cause of concern in India. Discuss How can the problem of hidden hunger in the country be tackled?

प्रच्छन्न भूख (Hidden hunger) भारत में चिंता का वास्तविक कारण है। चर्चा कीजिए। देश में प्रच्छन्न भूख की समस्या से कैसे निपटा जा सकता है? (8 Marks)

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Q.6) Public service delivery in India has long been plagued by various problems resulting in poor service delivery. Discussing its reasons, suggest measures to make public service delivery more efficient.

भारत में सार्वजनिक सेवा वितरण दीर्घकाल से विभिन्न समस्याओं से ग्रसित रहा है जिसका परिणाम घटिया सेवा वितरण है। इसके कारणों पर चर्चा करते हुए, सार्वजनिक सेवा वितरण को अधिक कुशल बनाने के उपायों का सुझाव दीजिए। (8 Marks)

Public services refer to provision of basic services to citizens by government and its agencies.

Problems resulting in poor services

1. Fragmentation in policy making.
2. Lack of data driven governance.
3. Bureaucratic apathy toward citizens.
4. No legal backing to citizen charter.
5. Lack of awareness about e-governance initiatives.
6. Corruption among officials.

- Reasons
- 1. Lack of proactive governance
 - 2. old, outdated, rigid rules among bureaucracy
 - 3. Focus on supply side rather demand side
 - 4. regulatory onerousness - leading to delays

- Suggestions
- 1. make citizen charter mandatory. (DARPA)
 - 2. evidence based policy making.
 - 3. Hold officials accountable
 - 4. enhance digital literacy.

- govt steps
- And ARC - recommended sevottam model.
 - mission karmyogi for capacity building

From above steps we can reform our service delivery system

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Q.7) "India is close to providing school education for all but our journey to educate all has just begun." Comment

"भारत सभी के लिए स्कूली शिक्षा उपलब्ध कराने के निकट है लेकिन सभी को सिखाने की हमारी यात्रा अभी आरंभ हुई है।" टिप्पणी कीजिए। (8 Marks)

86th constitutional amendment
provided for A(1A) - right
to education for all between
6 to 14 years

India is close to provide education for all

1. latest A(1A) - literacy rate has gone past 80% (over 7 years)
2. A(1A) - mandatory free schooling 6-14 years → samagra shiksha
3. A(45) - early childhood care and education (3 to 6 years)
 → ASHA workers.
4. A(46) - promoting educational interests of weaker and SC/ST.
 → reservation, Kasturba schools

for tribals.

But, journey to educate all has just begun because -

1. skill - Industry mismatch - only 4.7 formally trained. (NSDC)
2. women literacy ~ 57% (Census 2011)
↳ Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
3. AWS reservation for economically backwards (A 146)
4. skill India mission - provides formal training and recognise prior learning.
5. FTIs (over 1200 in UP) → enhance employability.

To make India - all inclusive and developed we need to educate all.

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Q.8) Given the growing ecological and geopolitical significance, Arctic region offers immense opportunities for serving India's long-term interests. Discuss

बढ़ते पारिस्थितिक और भू-राजनीतिक महत्व के आलोक में, आर्कटिक क्षेत्र भारत के दीर्घकालिक हितों की पूर्ति हेतु व्यापक अवसर प्रस्तुत करता है। चर्चा कीजिए। (8 Marks)

Arctic region is ^{NOT} one of global common which is not accessible to any country but to few arctic council members.

growing ecological significance

1. melting ice → New land for Agriculture.
2. To research about past events → to sense future.
3. Availability of water and rising temperature → future population settlements.

growing geopolitical significance

1. Resource rich regions → oil, coal, precious metals etc.

2. New trade routes → Chennai to Vladivostok
 3. Potential military theater of future over jurisdictional overlaps.
 4. Russia's dominance over large area'
 - 1. cheap energy supply.
 - 2. shorter trade routes.
 - 3. economic opportunities
- Development of far east Siberia'
- 4. securing natural resources critical metals, PMTs.

Thus balancing ties between Russia and USA Indian can fulfil its geopolitical interests.

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Q.9) India is confronted with difficult choices given the existing regional complexities in West Asia. Comment in the wake of deepening ties between India and West Asian countries.

पश्चिम एशिया में मौजूदा क्षेत्रीय जटिलताओं को देखते हुए भारत मुश्किल विकल्पों से जूझ रहा है। भारत और पश्चिम एशियाई देशों के बीच गहराते संबंधों के मद्देनजर टिप्पणी कीजिए। (8 Marks)

Recently India has joined I202 and IMBE corridor which showing India's significant interest in west asia

Why a difficult choice.

1. Israel - Arab nations dynamics - issues of Palestine and India's tie with both.
2. India's interests in Iran (Chabahar port) and rivalry between Iran and Arab Nations → Houthis
3. Close relations of UAE, Saudi with Pakistan hurts India's interests.

Ties between India and west Asia

1. India - Qatar → Qatar pledged over 10 Bn \$ investment in India.
2. India - UAE → Top trading partners in west asia.
 - ↳ F202 initiative
 - ↳ IMBE corridor.
3. India - Saudi Arabia → Saudi Aramco's biggest investment in India.
 - ↳ IMBE passes through Saudi.
4. India - OMAN - Dugum Port → Indian Navy has access to it to counter Chinese presence, to solve complexities India must engage their interests with our interests.

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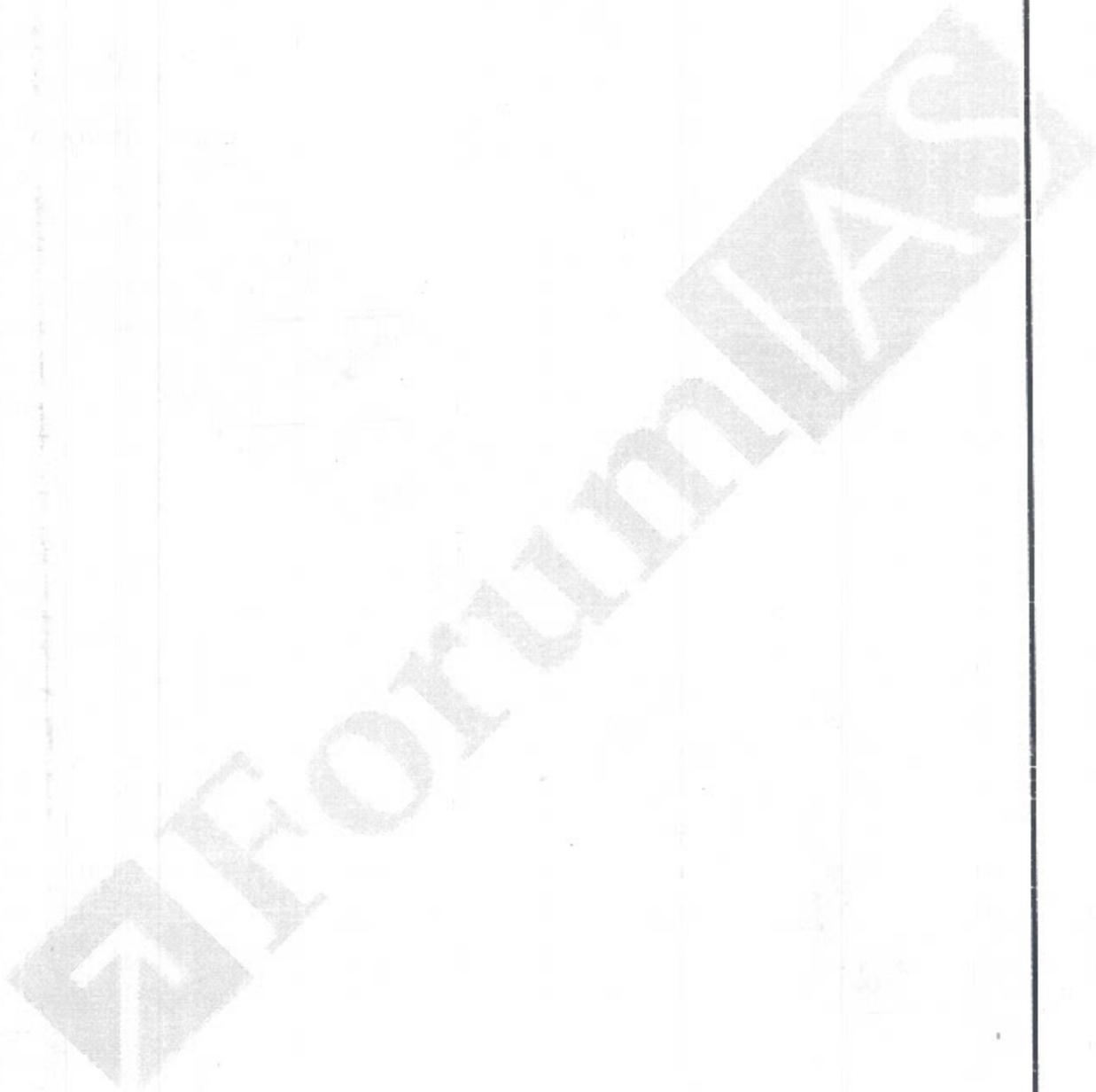
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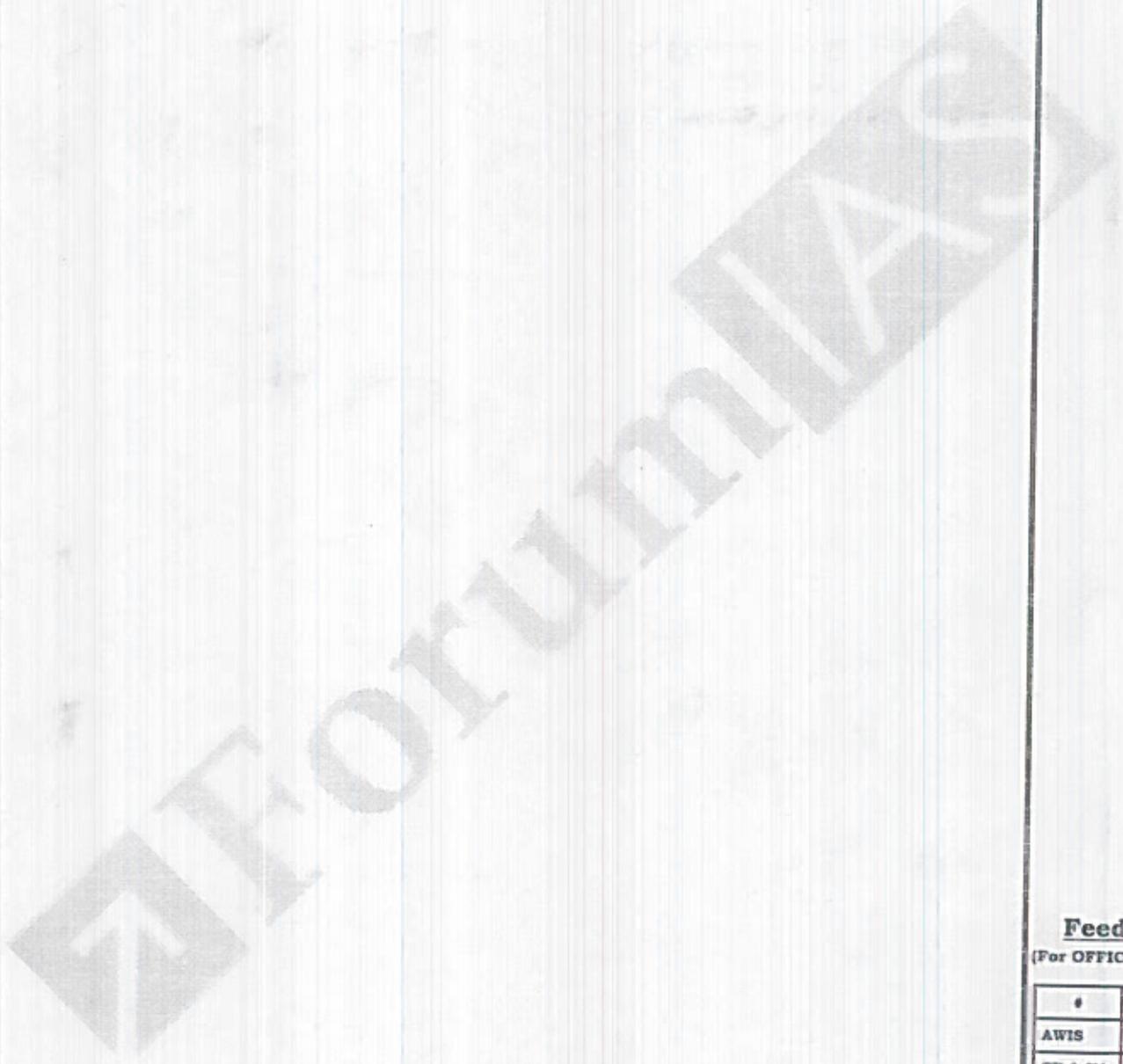


Q.10) Strategic partnership between India and South Africa goes beyond the bilateral facets.
Analyze

भारत और दक्षिण अफ्रीका के बीच रणनीतिक साझेदारी द्विपक्षीय पहलुओं से कहीं आगे तक हैं। विश्लेषण कीजिए।

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LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS

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Section-B / खण्ड-ब

Q.11) Although Public Interest Litigations (PILs) have provided access to justice to all, but many vested interests have also increased their misuse. In this context, examine the utility of PIL and suggest some measures to make it an effective instrument of social justice.

यद्यपि जनहित याचिकाओं (PIL) ने न्याय की पहुँच सभी तक प्रदान की है किन्तु कई निहित स्वार्थी ने इनके दुरुपयोग को भी बढ़ाया है। इस संदर्भ में, PIL की उपयोगिता का परीक्षण कीजिए और इसे सामाजिक न्याय का एक प्रभावी उपकरण बनाने हेतु कुछ उपाय सुझाइए। (12 Marks)

PIL has been used as a tool of accessible and affordable justice, showing individual activism to secure citizens rights.

[PIL → Justice to all]

1. securing right to healthy environment
A(2) → MC Menta case
2. cheaper than conventional means.
3. can be filed by anyone.
4. Hold Executive and Parliament accountable to people

- misuse) → 1. for personal interests -
 → 2. to halt development projects.
 → 3. Delay implementation of laws by LAA / NRC / WAF / LAWS.

Utility of PFL

1. ensuring fundamental rights to all persons.
 ex) welfare citizens welfare forum case - precautionary principle.
2. ensuring women's rights
 ex) Sheela Barse case → protection to women prisoners.
3. protecting ideals of democracy
 ex) liberty & equality.
 ↳ decriminalise homosexuality - Navtej Johar case

4^o strengthening checks and balances of ex shreya singhal case → provided for freedom of speech.

- Measures
- 1. give it legal backing.
 - 2. set standard procedures.
 - 3. Awareness generation.
 - 4. Punishment to vested interest litigation.
 - 5. solving judicial pendency.
- Ex: NJDG → SC → over 50000 cases

former salutar sorabjee has warned about Public Interest Litigation turning into private interest litigation.

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Q.12) Explain, citing examples, how pressure groups have emerged as a strong mechanism for making democracy participatory and responsive.

उदाहरण प्रस्तुत करते हुए समझाइए कि किस प्रकार दबाव समूह, लोकतंत्र को सहभागी और अनुकियाशील बनाने हेतु एक सुदृढ़ तंत्र के रूप में उभरे हैं।

(12 Marks)

Pressure groups refer to organized group that influences policy makers and Businessmen to concede to their interests.

How pressure groups make democracy participatory

1. mobilise public opinion
 BPO - voices agricultural interests.

2. Raising Businessmans concerns
 FICCI → suggest policy measures.

3. Various labours and trade unions raise their voices
 All India trade union Congress.

- Bhartiya Mazdoor Sangh.

4. voice women's right for reform \rightarrow the India women's conference (AIWC)

5. provide for Dalit's concerns
 \rightarrow Dalit Panthers.

Make Democracy Responsive

1. evidence based policy suggestions

2. voicing concerns of demand side - govt can anticipate needs.

3. Force government to be proactive rather reactive.

4. suggest alternatives for service delivery \rightarrow engaging NGOs in remote areas.

However some concerns,

- Issues
- 1. Nested Interests.
 - 2. Deploying illegal means.
 - 3. create confusion about development works. → Amnesty Int'l
 - 4. opaque funding of groups.

- measures
- 1. Robust monitoring mechanism.
 - 2. official channels of communication.
 - 3. Transparency in policy making.

Pressure groups helps in deepening democracy but also hinder development thus needed an institutionalised mechanism for voicing concerns.

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Q.13) Evaluate the strengths and limitations of NHRC in dealing with issues related to human rights in India. Explain with examples.

भारत में मानव अधिकारों से सम्बंधित मुद्दों से निपटने में NHRC की शक्तियों और सीमाओं का मूल्यांकन कीजिए। उदाहरणों के साथ व्याख्या कीजिये। (12 Marks)

NHRC was created under Protection of human rights act 1993 for protection of rights of citizens.

Strengths

1. suo motu cognisance of human rights violations
 ex) Niobhaya case
2. suo motu intervention in proceedings ex) Safwa Indum case
3. Research about protection of human rights
4. examine about police excess
5. investigate human rights violation

among Tribals, & women etc.

Limitations:

1. politicisation of appointments
2. Depends on other agencies for investigation.
3. can't hear cases more than
1 year old.
4. can not award compensations
5. Advice only recommending
not binding.
6. shortage of man power to
check excesses.
7. Depends on government
funding - No fiscal autonomy.

B. Backlog of cases

Way Forward

1. make collegium for appointment
2. provide financial autonomy.
3. Dedicated investigating body under it.
4. power to award compensation to victims.

Thus without adequate powers NHRC work as "tiger without tooth". we

need to create enabling environment for efficient functioning.

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Q.14) Political parties are an integral part of the democratic system of India. In this context, discuss the need to strengthen the process of institutionalizing intra-party democracy in political parties in India.

राजनीतिक दल भारत की लोकतांत्रिक व्यवस्था के एक अभिन्न अंग हैं। इस संदर्भ में, भारत में राजनीतिक दलों में अंतः दलीय लोकतंत्र को संस्थागत किए जाने की प्रक्रिया को सुदृढ़ करने की आवश्यकता पर चर्चा कीजिए।

(12 Marks)

Political parties are organised group of people with aim of capturing power to implement their vision and ideologies.

Political parties integral part of democracy

1. provides a platform for mass mobilisation
2. criticism of failures for betterment of democracy.
3. provide talent pool and future leaders.
4. Regional parties voice local

Concerns  SP, BSP etc.

5. provide voice to voiceless
 SC, ST, women, elderly.
6. suggest alternative measures.
7. create political awareness at grassroot level.

Need to strengthen intra party democracy

1. To follow ideals of democracy in letter and spirit.
2. giving chances to bright youngsters.
3. prevent rule of one family inside party.
4. To facilitate bottom up approach for issues.

5. For democratic decision making.

However some issues.

Issues → 1. Dynastic influence over party functioning.

→ 2. opaque funding & electoral Bond.

→ 3. issue of whip and anti defection — prevent dissent.

→ 4. corruption → leading to horse trading.

→ outside RTI Act.

suggestions → 1. Bring under RTI Act

→ 2. Institutionalise election

→ 3. prevent criminals

and muscle power influence

thus to make Democracy

a working for everyone Inter-party

discipline is mandatory

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Q.15) "Growth alone is not enough to fight poverty." In this context, analyse the steps taken by the government to eradicate poverty. Discuss what should be done to tackle the issue of poverty effectively?

"केवल संवृद्धि, गरीबी से लड़ने के लिए पर्याप्त नहीं है।" इस संदर्भ में, गरीबी उन्मूलन करने के लिए सरकार द्वारा उठाए गए कदमों का विश्लेषण कीजिए। गरीबी के मुद्दे से प्रभावी ढंग से निपटने के लिए क्या करना चाहिए, की चर्चा कीजिए? (12 Marks)

Recently India became the largest GDP by surpassing Japan (Niti Aayog) at 4.2 Trillion \$.

Why growth alone not enough to fight poverty

1. with increasing growth → inequality also increasing
 Oxfam 1% held 40% wealth.
2. Growth gives measure of quantitative indicators not qualitative indicators
 → Rank in Gender Gap report
3. growth necessarily does not trickle down.

4. India is experiencing jobless growth → sustained poverty.

steps taken by Government

1. JAM trinity → to smooth delivery of DBT.

2. PM Jan Arogya Yojna - reduce out of pocket expenditure on health (over 39% currently)

3. Skill India mission - to make popⁿ skilled → only 4.7% youth formally trained (NSDF)

4. PM kisan Bima Yojna - insurance to crop loss among farmers.

5. preventing malnutrition → mid day meal → good health → better future

6. mission Indradhanush → healthy development of child

7. RT to education and reservation to poor / SC / ST

Issues → 1. Non inclusive definition of poverty

→ 2. focusing on quantitative data rather qualitative

→ 3. Most beneficiaries prevent deserving

Way forward → 1. Data driven governance

→ 2. Broad definition of poverty

→ 3. improve employability of popn.

To prevent generational poverty we have to convert vicious cycle of poverty to virtuous cycle of prosperity

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Q.16) Is Indian Foreign Policy Transforming from Idealism to Pragmatism? Give suitable examples in support of your arguments.

क्या भारतीय विदेश नीति आदर्शवाद से व्यवहारवाद की ओर रूपांतरित हो रही है? अपने तर्कों के समर्थन में यथोचित उदाहरण दें।

(12 Marks)

Indian foreign policy has evolved over time to cater National interests from NAM to Global doctrine to multialignment of modern era

Transforming from idealism to Pragmatism

- with shifting geopolitical equation → changes in policy → diplomatic relations with Israel and from both
- from Non alignment to strategic alignment. → maintaining relations with Russia & USA both on Ukraine issue.

3. changes in terrorism related foreign policy → from Bilateral India-Pak problem to global outreach — Diplomatic missions after operation Sindoor
4. Not yet recognised Taliban government yet dealing on people to people basis.
5. Despite Border clashes → formal ties with china are maintained → growing trade showcase pragmatism.
However India still follows some ideals in foreign policy.
 1. Democratisation of all.
 2. environmental protection — shared but common responsibility.
 3. terrorism in all form is

harmful to everyone

4^o Right to protect sovereignty and integrity.

- Issues
- 1. loosing Narrative warfare
 - Anti India sentiment in Maldives / Bangladesh.
 - 2. Inadequate utilisation of soft power.
 - 3. shortage of staff in creating favourable public perception.

- way forward
- 1. perception management.
 - 2. countering China's clout in neighbourhood.
 - 3. Preventing politicisation of foreign policy.

Thus we can secure our geopolitical interest through robust foreign policy.

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Q.17) A surging economy, strategic and political involvement of China in India's neighbourhood poses serious challenges for India's diplomatic objectives in the region. Analyse

भारत के पड़ोस में चीन की बढ़ती आर्थिक, रणनीतिक और राजनीतिक सहभागिता, इस क्षेत्र में भारत के कूटनीतिक उद्देश्यों के लिए गंभीर चुनौतियां प्रस्तुत करती है। विश्लेषण कीजिए। (12 Marks)

India's "Neighbourhood First Policy" is progressively facing challenges with Chinese influence at various levels.

Challenges for India's objectives

- A. India - Nepal → 1. support of China
 2. to Communist party in Nepal
 3. → fueling Anti India sentiments
 → Debt trap
 4. → exploiting Boundary dispute around Kalapani

- B. India - Bangladesh 1. supplying offensive arms against India.
 ↳ 2. support to greater Bangladesh Narrative.

↳ 3. using ports for dual use purpose

↳ 4. unsustainable debt → unstable government → migration crisis in India

c. India - ~~Bhutan~~

↳ 1. Gaim ees sakteng wildlife sanctuary for leverage over Doklam.

2. Bilateral engagement for solving boundary dispute - Chumbi valley issue.

d. India - Pakistan 1. economic support to terrorism.

2. supplying arms & ammunition.

3. Developing Gwadar port to bypass strait of Malacca.

Q. India - Afghanistan - 1. Afghanistan recently signed for Belt and road initiative.

F. India - Sri Lanka - 1. Debt trap
↳ use of Hambantota for Navy purpose. Hurt India's security interest.

F. India - Myanmar - 1. use of Kyaukpadaung port for military purpose.
↳ a. Destabilise democracy.

Thus China is following strategic containment of India at various fronts as "string of pearls policy" in response India is following "Necklace of diamond policy".

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Q.18) Highlight the significance of FATF in fighting terrorism. In this regard, what are the tools available with it to fulfil its mandate.

आतंकवाद से मुकाबला करने में FATF के महत्व पर प्रकाश डालिए। इस संबंध में, अपने अधिदेश को पूरा करने हेतु इसके पास कौन-से साधन उपलब्ध हैं? (12 Marks)

Financial Action Task Force is created to combat terror financing and associated money laundering activities.

[Significance in fighting terrorism]

1. Prevents asset building.
2. Seize properties related to terror organisations.
3. Inflict economic cost to state sponsored terrorism
 ex) Pakistan in Gray list.
4. Prevents money laundering for terror financing.

5. Gray and Black listing - Negative investment outlook.
6. create moral pressure on countries - sent in soft power.

Tools available

1. Gray listing & Black listing of countries.
2. voting for listing.
3. Publicly denounce countries.
4. Publishes evidence of terror support.
5. with collaboration of countries → repeal AIT.
6. watch reforms implemented.

some issues

- 1. Not binding.
- 2. Not linked to UN Security Council.
- ↳ 3. only moral sanction.
- ↳ 4. politicisation of Platform for vested interests.

way forward

- 1. financial autonomy
- 2. de-politicise
- FATF
- ↳ 3. provide sanction power over Gray and Black list countries.

True to fight terrorism international co-operation and neutral working of FATF is needed while following "Christ Church call for action" guidelines

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Q.19) Despite allegations of human rights violations under the AFSPA, it is a functional requirement for the army in disturbed areas. Critically discuss.

AFSPA के अंतर्गत मानवाधिकारों के उल्लंघन के आरोपों के बावजूद, यह अशांत क्षेत्रों में सेना के लिए एक कार्यात्मक आवश्यकता है। समालोचनात्मक चर्चा कीजिए। (12 Marks)

AFSPA is implemented on areas declared disturbed by government for maintaining civic life.

Why it is necessary

1. For maintaining national sensitivity. \rightarrow Assam
2. Restore civic functions \rightarrow Manipur violence
3. Fighting guerrilla warfare \rightarrow ULFA in Assam.
4. Defence to anti India forces.
5. Boosting morale of sensitivity forces.

Allegations of human rights

1. Lack of accountability → legal immunity → civilian deaths
2. Excess by armed forces → power to search and seizure
3. Allegations of fake cases
4. Loss of property and life

Why AFSPA should be repealed

1. Lack of accountability of Armed forces
2. Human rights concerns
3. Apathy towards masses
4. Psychological trauma
5. Military presence → fear of violence etc

Way Forward

1. Make AFSPA more human & security forces accountable

— SANTOSH HEGDE Committee

2. Define disturbed area
3. open channels of dialogue with stakeholders.

Thus while following

Endsajit Barua case guidelines
AFSPA should be implemented in exceptional circumstances.

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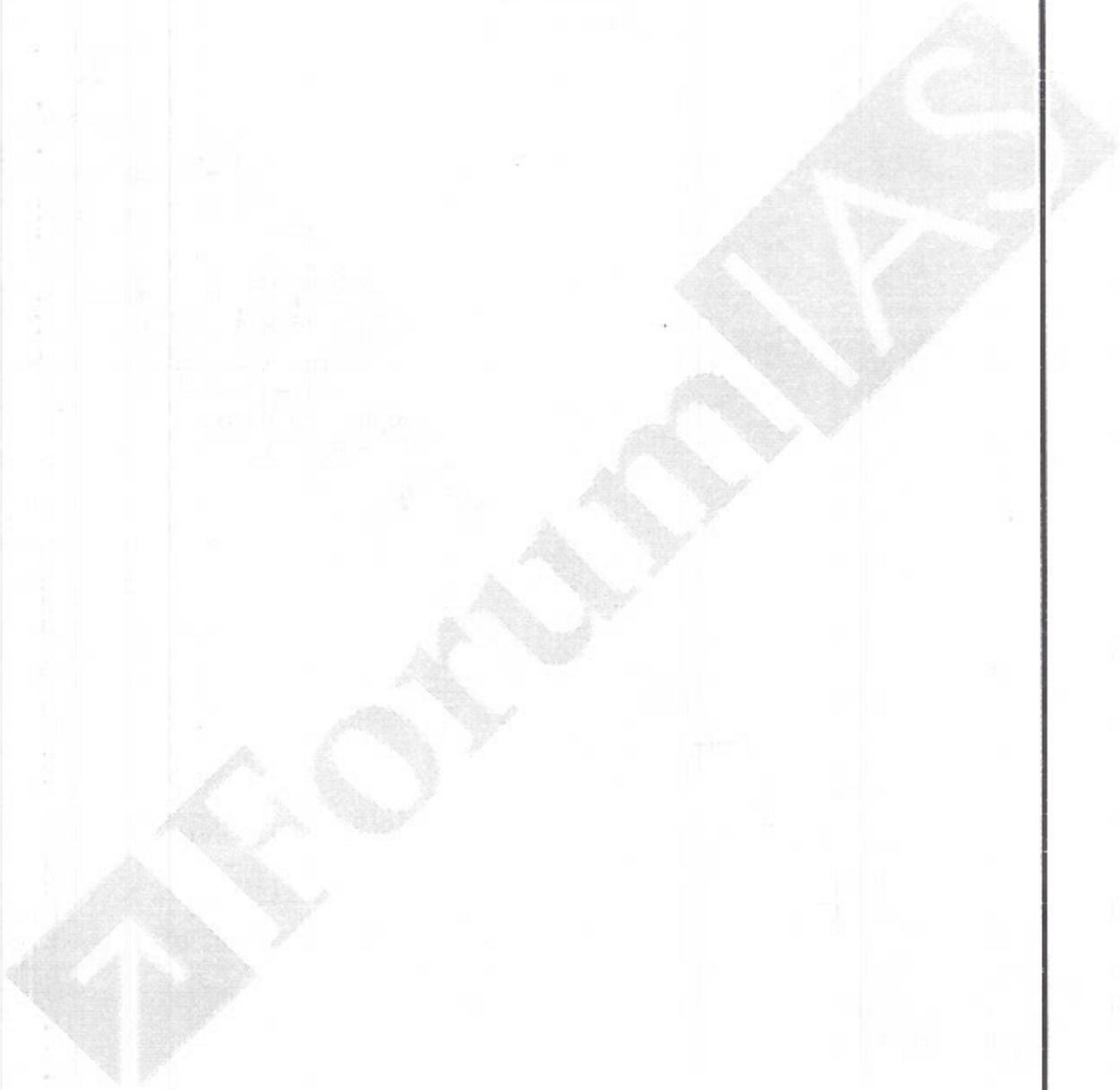
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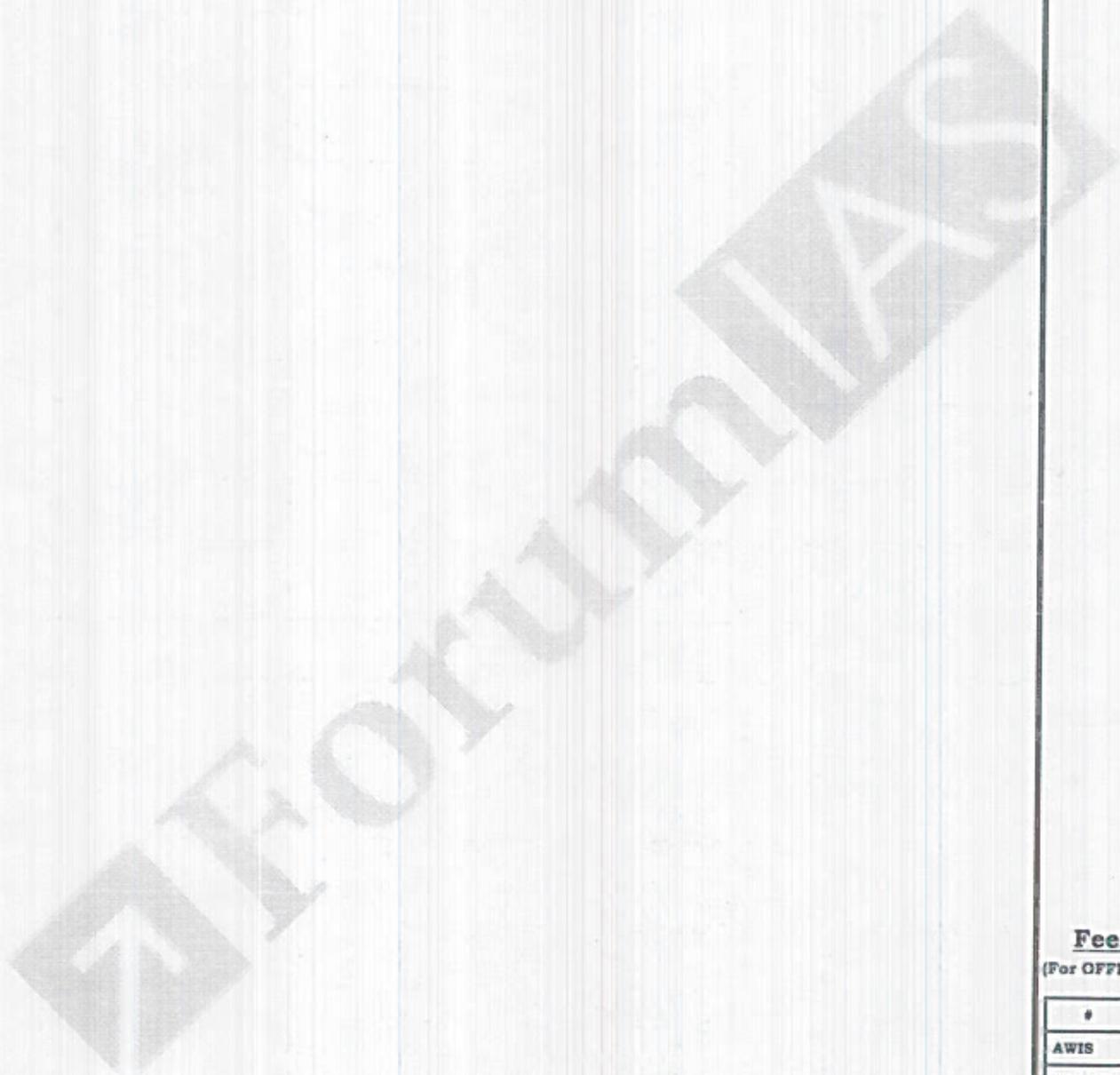


Q.20) Highlighting the debates surrounding women joining armed forces, suggest measures to improve women's participation in armed forces.

सशस्त्र बलों में महिलाओं के प्रवेश को लेकर होने वाले वाद-विवादों पर प्रकाश डालते हुए, सशस्त्र बलों में महिलाओं की भागीदारी बढ़ाने हेतु उपाय सुझाइए।

(12 Marks)





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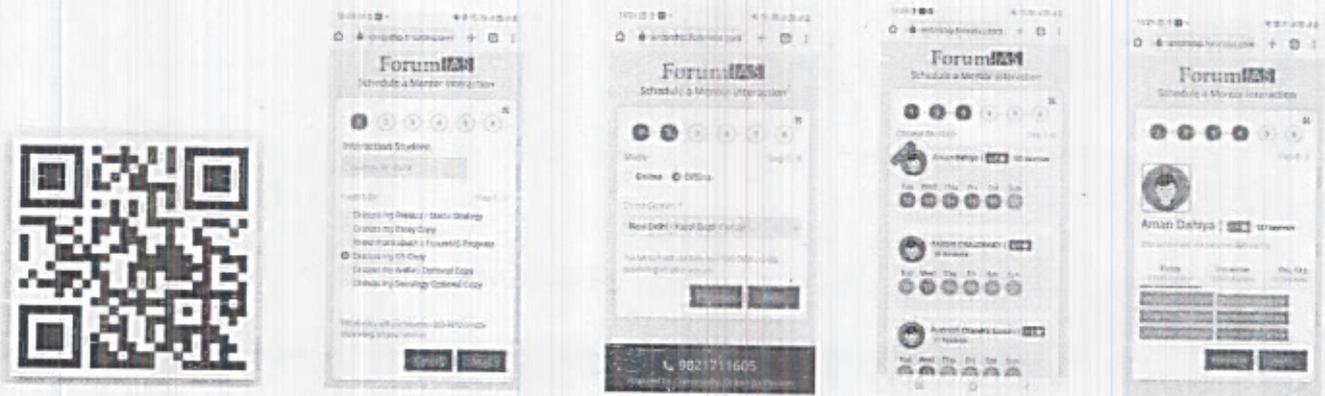
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