



## Answer Writing Focus Group 2025

### Generic Booklet

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Allotted Time : 60 Minutes

#### Key Objectives of the Program / कार्यक्रम के मुख्य उद्देश्य:

**#1 Coverage of Syllabus** - The questions will cover relevant static portion and related contemporary issues in the news. It is expected that student by attempting these questions will be able to revise their syllabus holistically. It will enable student to understand what topic to focus upon. Let's not be a frog in the well - unaware of "what to study" or "what to prepare".

**पाठ्यक्रम का कवरेज** - प्रश्न प्रासंगिक स्थिर भाग और समाचार में संबंधित समकालीन मुद्दों को कवर करेंगे। यह उम्मीद की जाती है कि इन प्रश्नों का प्रयास करके छात्र अपने पाठ्यक्रम को व्यापक रूप से संशोधित करने में सक्षम होंगे। यह छात्र को यह समझने में सक्षम करेगा कि किस विषय पर ध्यान केंद्रित करना है। आइए कुएं में मेंढक न बनें - इस बात से अनजान कि "क्या पढ़ना है" या "क्या तैयार करना है"।

**#2 Answer Writing Practice** - It will provide students answer writing practice and enable them to strategize how to cover paper within time limit.

**उत्तर लेखन अभ्यास** - यह छात्रों को उत्तर लेखन अभ्यास प्रदान करेगा और उन्हें समय सीमा के भीतर पेपर को कवर करने की रणनीति बनाने में सक्षम करेगा।

**#3 Stay ahead of the competition** - Laser Beam focus on answer writing and covering syllabus holistically will enable student stay ahead of the competition.

**प्रतिस्पर्धा में आगे रहें** - उत्तर लेखन पर लेजर बीम फोकस और समग्र रूप से पाठ्यक्रम को कवर करने से छात्र प्रतिस्पर्धा में आगे रह सकेंगे।

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हम केवल हम केवल AWFG परीक्षाओं के लिए स्पीड और मार्गदर्शन के लिए अंक प्रदान करते हैं, और विस्तृत मूल्यांकन नहीं करते हैं। कोई भी व्यापक या सूक्ष्म टिप्पणियाँ नहीं दी जाती हैं। टिप्पणियाँ, यदि कोई हैं, तो यह पूरी तरह से परीक्षक के विवेक पर निर्भर करती हैं। आपको केवल एक सांकेतिक संयुक्त अंक 10 में से दिए जाएंगे। छात्रों को सभी उत्तरों में 9 अंक प्राप्त करने का प्रयास करना चाहिए। 9 अंक प्राप्त करने का मतलब है कि आपका उत्तर परीक्षक द्वारा जांचे गए सर्वश्रेष्ठ उत्तरों में से एक था। यह मुख्य परीक्षा में 10 में से 9 अंक के बराबर नहीं है। उम्मीदवारों को सुधार के लिए समाधान और सर्वोत्तम प्रतियों का संदर्भ लेना चाहिए।

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TEST #3 – (Test Code: 880043)

**Instructions to Candidates -**

- There are 7 Questions in this Question paper.
- All Questions are Compulsory.
- For all updates, please visit the noticeboard <https://noticeboard.forumias.com/awfg2025/>

**अभ्यर्थियों के लिए निर्देश -**

- इस प्रश्न पत्र में 5 प्रश्न हैं।
- सभी प्रश्न अनिवार्य हैं।
- सभी अपडेट के लिए कृपया नोटिसबोर्ड देखें – <https://noticeboard.forumias.com/awfg2025/>

**Allotted Time : 1 Hour**

**Total Marks : 95**

**Q.1)** Explain and distinguish between the Finance Commission of India and the GST Council. Do their overlapping jurisdictions create challenges in fiscal governance? (10 Marks, 150 Words)

भारत के वित्त आयोग और जीएसटी परिषद के बीच अंतर स्पष्ट कीजिए और उनमें विभेद कीजिए। क्या उनके अतिव्यापी अधिकार क्षेत्र राजकोषीय शासन में चुनौतियां पैदा करते हैं? (10 अंक, 150 शब्द)

**Q.2)** How far has the National Commission for Women (NCW) succeeded in fulfilling its mandate of providing empowerment and protection to women in India? Discuss with relevant examples. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

राष्ट्रीय महिला आयोग (NCW) भारत में महिलाओं को सशक्तीकरण और सुरक्षा प्रदान करने के अपने अधिदेश को पूरा करने में किस हद तक सफल रहा है? प्रासंगिक उदाहरणों के साथ चर्चा करें। (10 अंक, 150 शब्द)

**Q.3)** Despite its potential to act as a key stakeholder in India's development cooperation programmes, the role of the voluntary sector in India has been limited and underutilized. Elucidate (10 Marks, 150 Words)

भारत के विकास सहयोग कार्यक्रमों में एक प्रमुख हितधारक के रूप में कार्य करने की अपनी क्षमता के बावजूद, भारत में स्वैच्छिक क्षेत्र की भूमिका सीमित और कम उपयोग की गई है। स्पष्ट कीजिए। (10 अंक, 150 शब्द)

**Q.4)** Assess how the establishment of National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) has impacted corporate governance mechanisms and insolvency resolution processes in the country. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

आकलन करें कि राष्ट्रीय कंपनी कानून न्यायाधिकरण (एनसीएलटी) की स्थापना ने देश में कॉर्पोरेट प्रशासन तंत्र और दिवालियापन समाधान प्रक्रियाओं को कैसे प्रभावित किया है। (10 अंक, 150 शब्द)

**Q.5)** To what extent, in your opinion, have the Self Help Groups (SHGs) been successful in empowering women in India? Examine in the light of socio-cultural constraints that hinder their functioning. (15 Marks, 250 Words)

आपकी राय में, भारत में महिलाओं को सशक्त बनाने में स्वयं सहायता समूह (एसएचजी) किस हद तक सफल रहे हैं? उनके कामकाज में बाधा डालने वाली सामाजिक-सांस्कृतिक बाधाओं के प्रकाश में परीक्षण करें। (15 अंक, 250 शब्द)

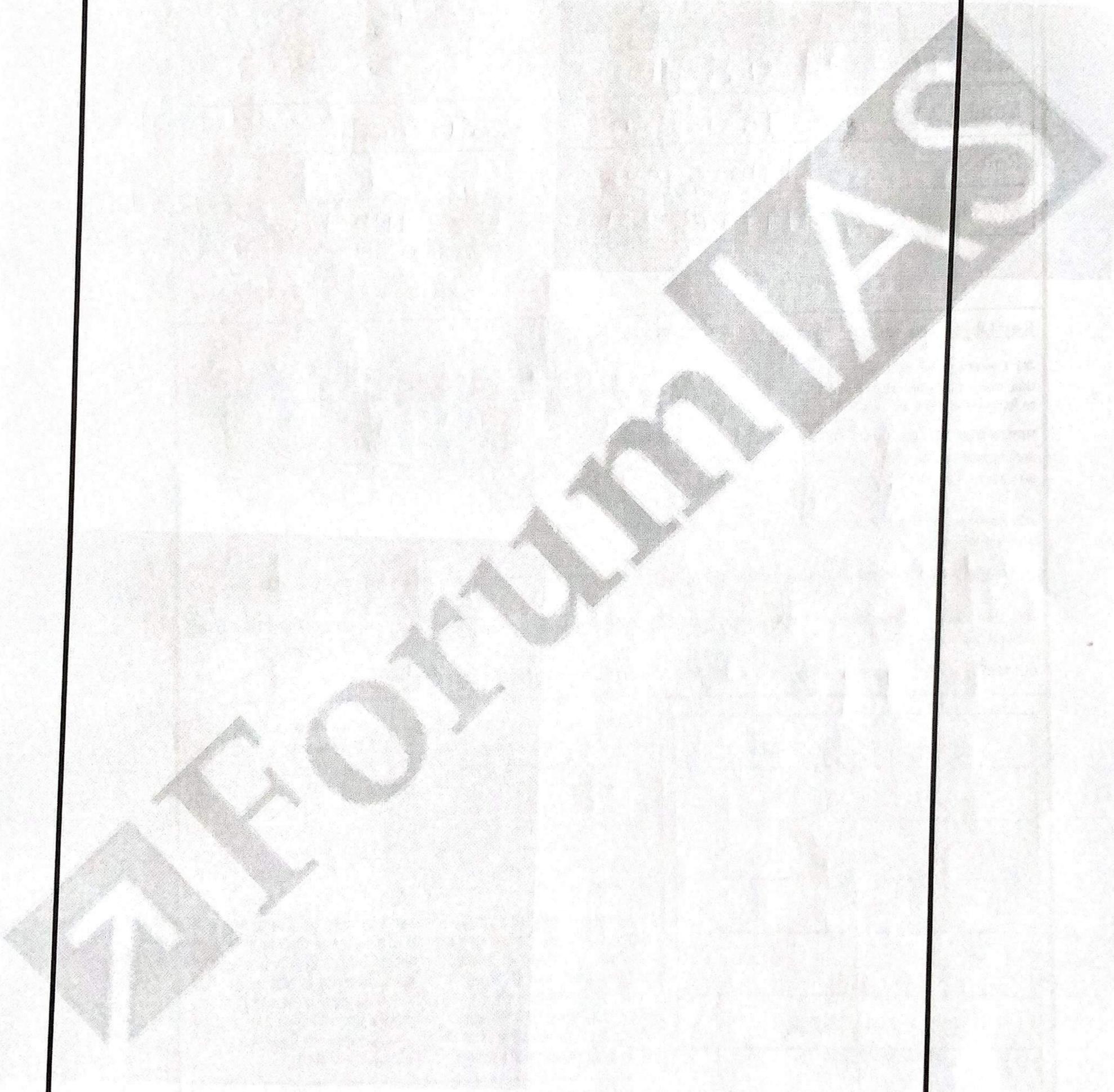
**Q.6)** Discuss the powers entrusted to the Election Commission of India (ECI) for conducting free and fair elections. Assess its effectiveness in ensuring electoral integrity and propose reform measures. (15 Marks, 250 Words)

स्वतंत्र और निष्पक्ष चुनाव कराने के लिए भारत के चुनाव आयोग (ईसीआई) को सौंपी गई शक्तियों पर चर्चा करें। चुनावी शुचिता सुनिश्चित करने में इसकी प्रभावशीलता का आकलन करें और सुधार उपायों का प्रस्ताव करें। (15 अंक, 250 शब्द)

**Q.7)** Critically examine how the forces of globalization have affected the activities, funding, and governance of Indian NGOs. (15 Marks, 250 Words)

आलोचनात्मक परीक्षण कीजिए कि वैश्वीकरण की ताकतों ने भारतीय गैर सरकारी संगठनों की गतिविधियों, वित्तपोषण और शासन को किस प्रकार प्रभावित किया है। (15 अंक, 250 शब्द)

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Q.1)

Article 280 of the Constitution provides for Finance Commission as a quasi-judicial body setup by the President to recommend for net proceeds of taxes that is to be shared between Centre and states and also mechanism to be followed for horizontal distribution of taxes between states.

It plays an important role in the field of fiscal federalism.

Article 279-A provides for GST Council. It comprises of Finance Minister of Union government and states to decide matters related to GST.

Though both the bodies work in the field of financial governance, their scope of functioning is different.

Both aim at strengthening fiscal federalism in India.

**Overall Grading (√)**

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2) National Commission for Women is a statutory body setup to ensure constitutional and legal safeguards to women.

Its ~~to~~ mandate includes -

- ① Suggesting measures for development of women.
- ② Promoting participation of women in policy making, implementation and evaluation.
- ③ Ensuring that the constitutional and legal safeguards provided for women reaches them.
- ④ Proper implementation of women related schemes like Sukanya Samridhi, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, etc.
- ⑤ Promotion of Self Help Groups for development and employment of women.

However, certain issues exist which related to functioning of NCW. —

- ① Inherent patriarchal nature of Indian society.
- ② Lack of financial resources that women own.
- ③ Poverty and hunger affecting their efficiency.
- ④ Their political participation is limited due to existence of practices like Panchayat Pati.

However, NCW has Although, these challenges exist but NCW has played an important role by advocating for Nari Shakti Adhiniyam, Prohibiting of Sexual Harassment at Workplace Act and other such measures.

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3)

Voluntary sector refers to organization of people working towards a common goal. They play an important role in -

- ① Societal progress by advocating for advancement of women and backward classes
- ② Sustainable urbanization
- ③ Environmental issues like pollution, biodiversity, etc.
- ④ Administrative reforms like telepal and lokayukta act.
- ⑤ Mobilization of public support by providing information to people, etc.

In spite of their role in raising awareness, their functioning has been limited and under-utilized because of following reasons -

- ① limited financial capacity.

② Social media activism is rising and people are not getting involved in actual protests or meeting.

③ Rising consumerist culture has made middle class absent from social issues.

④ Disintegrated nature of voluntary organisation reduces their effectiveness.

⑤ Voluntary organizations are important stakeholder in the era of Good Governance.

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4)

National Company Law Tribunal is a statutory body established for providing insolvency to Companies.

It mandates resolution of insolvency of Insolvency Professionals within 330 days and thus promotes a culture sound credit culture.

M. Narsimham Committee had suggested that the Companies obtain stay order and thus hinder insolvency resolution process.

On his recommendation Debt Recovery Tribunal and National Company Law Tribunal was established which prohibited courts for interfering in corporate matters.

NCLT has impacted corporate governance mechanisms and insolvency resolution processes but it need to be reformed to make it more effective.

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5)

Self Help Groups refers to Voluntary associations comprising of women who work to become self sufficient.

SHGs have played a very important role in empowering women in following ways -

- ① As rural women ownership of land is less than 20%, they provide for alternative employment opportunities.
- ② They also enhances their bargaining power while dealing with financial institutions or administration.
- ③ It enhances their political power by increasing their presence in their area.
- ④ They become more vocal in demanding their rights.

and promotion of welfare of women.

⑤ As an agent of social reforms breaking gender barriers.

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Due to feminisation of rural areas due to male-specific migration provides more relevance to SHGs. However following socio-cultural constraints hinder their functioning -

- ① Patriarchy and caste systems as higher caste women face purdah system and lower caste women are engaged in agriculture activities.
- ② lack of financial capacity
- ③ Women generally lack education and awareness.
- ④ Because of socialisation, they have become dependant on

male members of the family.

⑤ Lack of entrepreneurial culture in Indian society.

Following issues can be addressed by -

① Providing financial literacy to women by facilitating extension services.

② Sensitising administration and financial agents in dealing with women.

③ Information, Education and Communication services.

④ Promotion of women role models.

For achieving the goal of Viksit Bharat by 2047, it is important that 50% of the populating constituting women workforce also are able to contribute.

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Q.6)

Article 324 of the Indian Constitution provides for Election Commission as an independent body for the conduct of free and fair elections to the Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, President and Governor.

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NGOs refer to association of people ~~of~~ working towards a common goal. They play an important role in society in following ways -

- ① ~~Child~~ NGO of Kailash Satyarthi working towards child labour and child rights
- ② Environment conservation NGOs.
- ③ ~~the~~ NGOs for administrative accountability and efficiency
- ④ Towards women rights by promoting for their education, political participation.
- ⑤ Promoting peace and international security by  $\&$  strengthening ideals of humanism.

However, its efficiency have been hindered due to forces

globalization in following ways -

- ① Social media has become the main arena of social movements.
- ② Consumerist culture have made people insensitve towards issues outside of their home.
- ③ Geopolitical instability has diverted the attention to wars in Gaza and Ukraine.
- ④ Repressive regimes like China in Xinjiang region don't allow NGOs to investigate matters.
- ⑤ Allegation on some NGOs of their involvements with state & non state actors to destabilise the country.

NGOs are an important stakeholder in the current governance paradigm and their functioning and credi-

bility can be enhanced in following ways -

- ① Transparency in their source of funding.
- ② Raising awareness to people through social media about issues concerning them.
- ③ UN agencies can investigate human allegations of human rights violations of Uighurs in Xinjiang region.

~~The~~ NGOs role is very important in achieving Sustainable Development Goals by 2020.

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