

(iii) What are Genetically Modified (GM) foods ? How are they regulated in India ? In context of the present controversy, do you think GM food needs to be encouraged in fulfilling domestic needs ?

15. Attempt any **two** of the following (about 50 words) : $2 \times 5 = 10$

(i) Internet Protocol Television (IPTV)

(ii) Emission trading

(iii) Traditional Knowledge Digital Library.

16. Answer any **two** of the following (in about 100 words) :

$2 \times 15 = 30$

(i) Stealth Technology

(ii) Biodiversity Informatics Vs Bioinformatics

(iii) Describe the salient features of 'GAGAN'. How does it improve upon the present 'GPS' ?

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General Studies-II

(99)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 300

INSTRUCTIONS

- (i) Answers must be written in English.
- (ii) The number of marks carried by each question is indicated at the end of the question.
- (iii) The answer to each question or part thereof should begin on a fresh page.
- (iv) Your answers should be precise and coherent.
- (v) The part/parts of the same question must be answered together and should not be interposed between answers to other questions.
- (vi) Candidates should attempt **all** questions as per the instructions given.
- (vii) If you encounter any typographical error, please read it as it appears in the text book.
- (viii) Candidates are in their own interest advised to go through the General Instructions on the back side of the title page of the Answer Script for strict adherence.
- (ix) No continuation sheets shall be provided to any candidate under any circumstances.

- (x) Candidates shall put a cross (X) on blank pages of Answer Script.
- (xi) No blank page be left in between answer to various questions.

SECTION-A

Note :- Attempt any **four** (about 250 words each) : $4 \times 25 = 100$

1. What is meant by right to equality before law, as provided in the Constitution and what are its exceptions ? Explain.
2. What are fundamental duties ? What are the provisions for their enforcement ? Explain.
3. Write a note on the President's power to issue ordinance. How long is such ordinance effective ?
4. What is contingency fund and what is its purpose ? Explain.
5. How is the question of disqualification of a member of Parliament decided ?
6. What are the cut motions in the Parliament ? Explain in detail.
7. Write a comprehensive note on 'Judicial Activism'.
8. What are the conditions under which democracies accommodate social diversities ? Explain with reference to India.
9. 'Political parties provide a link between the people and the government.' Explain.
10. Explain how the activities of civil society are useful in the functioning of a democratic government.

SECTION-B

11. Attempt any **two** parts of the following (about 150 words each) : $2 \times 20 = 40$
- (i) What is Repo rate and Reverse Repo rate ? How rise and fall in these variables affect liquidity position in the country ?

- (ii) What factors need to be ensured for another Green revolution, which would be more inclusive and sustainable ?
- (iii) 'FDI should be open to Indian retail sector.' What would be its implications ? Comment.
- (iv) 'Inflation has been a major and persistent cause of poverty and inequality in India.' Analyze.

12. Attempt any **two** in about 150 words each : $2 \times 20 = 40$

- (i) What are the geo-economic causes of under development of various regions in India ?
- (ii) What is dry land agriculture ? Discuss its importance in India.
- (iii) Comment on the detrimental effects of Canal irrigation.
- (iv) Which parts of India have been identified as draught-prone ? What are the criteria's of such identification ?

13. Answer any **two** of the following (about 150 words each) :

$2 \times 20 = 40$

- (i) Write a note on the contribution of tourism to improve and strengthen the economy of J & K.
- (ii) 'Soil of J & K is a rich source to boost its economy.' Comment.
- (iii) 'J & K is a bag full of hills and valleys all around.' Comment.
- (iv) "J & K is fondly called as Switzerland of Asia." Do you agree with the statement ? Illustrate your answer.

SECTION-C

14. Answer any **two** (about 150 words) : $2 \times 20 = 40$

- (i) What are the lessons to be learnt from the Fukushima nuclear accident ? What has to be done to prevent such kind of accidents in India ?
- (ii) Give an account of the carbon projects in India, registered under CDM (Clean Development Mechanism). Discuss the prospects of carbon trading in India.