



UPSC

2001 - MAINS - PAPER - II

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

INSTRUCTIONS

For each paper: Time Allowed : Three Hours Maximum Marks : 250

There are EIGHT questions divided in two Sections and printed both in HINDI and in ENGLISH.

Candidate has to attempt FIVE questions in all.

Question Nos. 1 and 5 are compulsory and out of the remaining, THREE are to be attempted choosing at least ONE question from each Section.

The number of marks carried by a question / part is indicated against it.

Answers must be written in the medium authorized in the Admission Certificate which must be stated clearly on the cover of this Question-cum-Answer (QCA) Booklet in the space provided. No marks will be given for answers written in medium other than the authorized one.

Word limit in questions, wherever specified, should be adhered to.

Attempts of questions shall be counted in chronological order. Unless struck off, attempt of a question shall be counted even if attempted partly. Any page or portion of the page left blank in the Question-cum-Answer Booklet must be clearly struck off.



Section A

1. Attempt the following in not more than 200 words each: 20 x 3 = 60

(a) "The period of British rule generated most of the structural and behavioural values of Indian Administration not by imitation but through interaction."

(b) "Though the dictatorship of the Cabinet is a stark reality in modern times, it does not mean that the Cabinet is omnipotent."

(c) "National Development Council, it seems, is like a super-Cabinet."

(d) "Indian Constitution confers vast legislative powers on the President."

2. "Among several other problems, the Problem of financial relationship is perhaps the most complex one." Explain in the context of recent developments in Union-State relations in India.

3. (a) "The leadership qualities of a civil servant are tested most during his tenure as the Cabinet Secretary - a dream-post for even-bureaucrat. Elucidate.

(b) "All India Services play a crucial unifying role in the whole administrative system of the country." Explain.

4. Discuss the major problems of management and working of Public Sector Undertakings in India. Give suggestions in the light of liberalization policy to improve their performance.



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SECTION 'B'

5. Comment on any three of the following in not more than 200 words each :
- "Maintenance of law and order is a State subject but the Union Government can deploy armed forces in any State."
 - "Most administrative reforms have a political cost."
 - "It is a major challenge to balance the role of District Collector with the powers of democratic bodies."
 - "A middle way- should be worked out to utilize the services of both generalists and specialists for the national development."
6. Do you think that our administration is sensitive to public grievances ? Discuss the existing grievances redressal mechanism and give suggestions for enhancing its capabilities.
7. (a) "Reservation policy and its implementation has had some positive impact in relative terms on the socio-economic development of the SCs and STs but it is very meagre in absolute terms. Comment.
- (b) "In the Chief Secretary, the State Government has an officer whose counterpart does not obtain in the Union Government.' Elucidate.
8. Do you agree that globalization, liberalization and privatization policies are going to change the very fabric of Indian Administration? What, according to you, are the major challenges before it in the 21st century?